

<b>Committee Name:</b>	Board of Directors	<b>Session #:</b>	1
<b>Committee Chair:</b>	Patty Miller	<b>Date/time of meeting:</b>	9/17/2018 8:30pm ET
<b>Minutes recorded by:</b>	Greg Danner		

## Actions Taken:

1. Approved: Ratification of email vote approving the August 20, 2018 Board of Directors Meeting minutes.

<b>Number of committee members present: 22</b>	<b>Absent: 5</b>	<b>Guests: 0</b>
<p><b>Committee members present (list all, including chair and vice chair):</b> Patty Miller - President; Peter Guadagni - VP of Administration; Chris Colburn - VP of Local Operations; Donn Livoni - VP of Programs; Frank (Skip) Thompson - VP of Community Services; Greg Danner - Secretary; Ralph Davis - Treasurer; Maria Elias-Williams - Legal Counsel; At-Large Directors: Tom Moore (Breadbasket); Rob Copeland (Dixie/Past President); Sarah Welch (Northwest); Lianne Crittenden (Oceana); Ed Coates (South Central); Dan Cox (Great Lakes); and Laura Winslow (Southwest); Dawson Hughes - CEO; Past Presidents: Nadine Day (Immediate Past President), Nancy Ridout, Jim Miller, Jeff Moxie, and Tom Boak; Dale Ammon (USA Swimming Liaison to USMS).</p> <p><b>Not present:</b> At-Large Directors: Dave Diehl (Colonies); Past Presidents: Ted Haartz, Mike Laux and Dan Gruender. Mel Goldstein is recused from the Board due to his contractor position with USMS.</p> <p><b>Guests:</b> None.</p>		

## Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 8:34 pm ET.

1. Agenda review and conflict of interest declarations (Patty): No conflicts reported.
2. Minutes and approval/ratification (Greg): Ratification of email vote approving August 20 Board minutes: **MSA to approve the minutes. The motion passed unanimously.**
3. CEO's report (Dawson):
  - a. Talking points memo issued to the Board via the forums, with a list of successes and initiatives with key National Office staff.
  - b. The second convention email for delegates was issued today. All convention items are posted to the annual meeting page of the website, along with the CEO report, which is important to read prior to convention.
  - c. Questions?
    - i. Nadine watched the USMS 3.0 Digital Transformation Primer (Video) and asked if we had received any statements from individuals who wouldn't join USMS due to prior outdated technology. Dawson clarified that the purpose of the video was to explain that technology is a big component of how we're conducting business and attempting to transform the organization, as opposed to simply highlighting any membership concerns.
    - ii. Skip asked about registration for College Club Swimming and if the USMS bridge membership is available. Dawson confirmed that the 2018-2019 registration for CCS has opened. There is a secondary page in the registration process that allows CCS members to register for USMS at a discounted rate. Rob noted that the BOD approved scholarship money to fund the difference between the bridge membership cost and full membership cost for this year. The HOD will vote at convention on bridge membership implementation.
    - iii. Nancy recommended that the Rules proposals have the pages numbered. Dawson will look into it.
4. Talking points for Board-proposed legislation and key topics (CCS, Convention TF, etc.):
  - a. L-41, L-42, L-44 (Ed): He suggested we have a spokesperson ready to discuss the Board recommended proposals, and he offered to do it due to his involvement with the Convention Task Force. Ed will speak on behalf of South Texas LMSC and simply note that it was BOD recommended. The BOD agreed this discussion should take place during the open forum.
  - b. CCS (L-53) (Rob): Rob was comfortable with how this turned out from Legislation.
  - c. Patty asked if any issues appeared to be rising. Tom Boak is aware of one delegate that plans to speak on the impact of CCS-bridge membership on the 18-24 age group. He suggested we be prepared to speak on the differences between the memberships in a positive way to the HOD. Dawson said that explaining the background and evolution of CCS will be important. Ralph is very supportive of the CCS efforts and willing to speak in support during the forum, as well as Tom Boak and Sarah Welch.

- d. Sarah is willing to share her speaking points on changing the Diversity Committee into a standing committee, if proposed legislation is pulled.
  - e. Patty asked if there were any questions on the talking points that Dawson issued. There were none. Patty noted these are merely a useful tool in formal and informal settings. BOD members are not compelled to speak on any items.
5. Any other convention considerations:
- a. Skip asked if there were any updates for future convention contracts (2022 and beyond) with USAS. Patty noted that we haven't been required to sign on for 2022 yet; pending any news from other NGBs, the BOD is supportive of continuing with USAS. Dawson and Dale stated there has been no advancement on the subject regarding USA Swimming reaching a final decision.
  - b. Patty gave a quick breakdown of the approach for HOD #1 (President Intro, CCS, Convention/Volunteers TFs) and suggested we listen to any delegate concerns throughout the convention.
  - c. Laura: Noted that the Volunteers Task Force work to date is confidential and interested delegates should know that the task force is listening to ideas and concerns.
  - d. Chris: The workshops are on track. Thanked Jessica Reilly and Bruce Rollins.
6. New business: None.
7. The next EC call will be 8:30pm ET on Monday, November 5, 2018. The next BOD meeting will be in person at 9:00am ET on Wednesday, September 26 at the Convention in Jacksonville, FL.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:20 pm ET.

Respectfully Submitted,

Greg Danner, Secretary