

<b>Committee Name:</b> Coaches	<b>Session #:</b>	<b>Report #:</b>
<b>Committee Chair:</b> Scott Bay	<b>Vice Chair:</b> Cokie Lepinski	
<b>Minutes recorded by:</b> Jillian Wilkins	<b>Date/time of meeting:</b> 2/12/2014	

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## Motions Passed: None

<b>Number of committee members present:</b> 13	<b>Absent:</b> 6	<b>Number of other delegates present:</b>
<b>Committee members present (list all, including chair and vice chair):</b> Chair: Scott Bay, Vice Chair: Cokie Lepinski (Oceana), Brian Cummings (Great Lakes), , Erin Matthews (Colonies), Sue Nutty (Breadbasket),), Dustin Poe (South Central), Jillian Wilkins (Dixie), Chris Campbell (Oceana), Katherine Longwell (Great Lakes), Ken Brisbin (Southwest), Kimberly Lloyd (Colonies). Ex Officio: Bill Brenner, CJ Rushman		
<b>Not present:</b> Matthew Edde (Northwest), Marty Hendrick (Dixie), Heather Howland (Great Lakes), Bob Jennings (Dixie), Kerry O'Brien (Oceana) EC: Jody Smith		

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## Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 8:02 p.m. eastern

### 1. Chair Welcome-

Scott Thanks us for taking the time out of our busy schedules for being on the call.

### 2. International Coaches Update

- a. They have received around 23 applications. The sub committee has the applications and will have a decision in the next few weeks. Scott Bay will send this to the committee for comments before announcing to USMS community.

### 3. Level 4 Fee Discussion:

Scott Sent out an updates spreadsheet and said that the Level 4 will be \$125 instead of the \$100 discussed in January meeting. Our opinions are:

1. Raise the fee to \$125?
  2. Can we have sponsors donate items?
  3. Make the shirt and plaque optional?
  4. Forget everything and only give a pin and nice certificate for \$50?
- Scott is trying to get a feeling of the committee.

The committee's decision is to change the price for Level 4 is \$50 and the coaches will receive a pin and certificate.

The Level 4 Certification will be out in the next week or two.

### 4. Cross committee projects and development

- a. Open Water and Triathlon  
Sue Nutty- The open water committee wants to partner with the Coaches Committee on Friday at the convention. They have been working on the safety of the open water races lately. Looking for our opinion as coaches and for us to work together to put a clinic, workshop or informational

meeting at convention. Can we put together a workshop presentation / educational program that educates coaches, event directors, and swimmers? As the convention program is set at this point, we should investigate some other options.

The different items that were discussed were: Is it at the hotel or an open water location? It's a great idea and the coaches committee open to this.

Scott and Sue are going to talk off line and put things on paper to develop a cross committee project and develop a sub committee to put this project together.

-Members that discussed this topic were Brian Cummings, Sue Nutty, Scott Bay, and Erin Mathews

b. Other Cross Committee projects:

Katherine Longwell: A trainer with the arthritis foundation and she teaches teachers how to teach. Works with special needs children and adults, silver sneakers and silver splash (Senior Population), Adaptive Aquatics, etc. Wants to put together a workshop for coaches and swimmers for educational purposes. This is starting to move toward the long term goals of the committee. If you have an interest in this or know someone that has an interest in this area, please email Scott Bay.

## 5. SC and TF summaries

### **Certifications:**

Bill Brenner: Level 1, 2, and 3 are going well and Bill is updating the online schedule all the time. He is having trouble trying to fit new classes in the schedule now that different LMSC's are hearing about this. We have 14 coaches now helping teach the class throughout the country. Looking forward to rolling out and advertising Level 4 certification.

### **Nationals and On Deck Coaches:**

A call out for on deck coaches at nationals will be in the next streamlines.

### **Convention:**

Please let Scott know if you have any type of different programming ideas for the swim workouts at convention. We will have plenty of deck/pool space at Bolles School.

### **Web Workouts:**

No more problems. Happy with the people that were selected and how it all worked out. Scott asked the committee to take the time to look at the workouts and take a look at them all from a coach's eye.

### **LMSC Communications:**

Cokie- Still in the process of reaching out to all of the different LMSC's chairs for to talk about the coaching certification. She will have more for us in the next call.

### **Publications:**

Cokie- Thanks to the Coaches committee for all of the articles that have been written since the last call. Most of the articles submitted since our last call have been published or about to be published. Keep the articles coming because our USMS community is hungry for them!

### **High Performance:**

Cokie-Three of the four coaches have been chosen. We will know about the forth coach in the near future and they are looking forward to the programs they are already developing for the camp.

### **Sports Med and Science:**

Nothing else to add

**Championships:**

Jillian: At this time we are soliciting bids for 2016. The deadline to submit a bid application is July 1 (or the next business day if July 1 falls on a Sunday).

All groups/facilities interested in bidding should request a bid packet that includes more detailed information, including financial reports from prior nationals, etc. on hosting USMS National Championship meets. Please contact the Championship Chair or by phone at 240-464-3982 to request a bid packet and application.

6. **Old Business-** None

7. **New Business-** None

The meeting was adjourned at 8:51 pm eastern

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