

<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>	Bob Jennings	<b>Date/time of meeting:</b>	June 10, 2015

## Motions Passed:

<b>Number of committee members present:</b> 10	<b>Absent:</b> 8	<b>Number of other delegates present:</b>
<p><b>Committee members present (list all, including chair and vice chair):</b> Chair: Scott Bay (Dixie), Vice Chair: Cokie Lepinski (Oceana), Ex-Officio: Bill Brenner, Assoc: Jim Miller, Ken Brisbin (Southwest), Chris Campbell (Oceana), Dave Clark (Great Lakes), Bob Jennings (Dixie), Helen Naylor (Dixie), Jillian Wilkins (Dixie) Erin Matthews (Colonies),</p> <p><b>Not present</b> Ex E.C. Jody Smith, Matthew Edde (Northwest), Heather Howland (Great Lakes), Laurie Hug (Colonies), Katherine Longwell (Great Lakes), Kerry O'Brien (Oceana ), Dustin Poe (South Central),</p>		

## Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 8:01 p.m. eastern

- USMS National Coaching Clinic**— Helen Naylor – There were many positive feedback comments after the clinic. Participants appreciated the small group. – Cokie Lepinski – Felt very proud that the goals of the clinic were achieved. – Bill Brenner – There was overwhelming positive feedback. He would like to continue with the clinic in the future and reach more coaches. – Scott Bay – There was a good mix of coaches from all over the country. He thanked all participants those that contributed. Helen Naylor was recognized for her outstanding job organizing and conducting the clinic. Chris Campbell suggested conducting satellite/regional clinics around the country. Cokie Lepinski and Ken Brisbin were asked questions about how the regional coaching clinics they are involved in are run.
- Summer Nationals** – Erin Matthews – The link for On Deck coaching is set up. The committee would appreciate it if the On Deck coaches at Spring and Summer Nations received the same benefits from hospitality. Dr. Miller reminded the committee that the On Deck coaches work all day long. They not only supervise the morning warm up but also the warm up/warm down pool during the day. Chris Campbell and Dave Clark suggested there be On Deck Coaching sign ups for the warm up/warm down pool as well as the morning warm ups.

There was a discussion about the use of the Backstroke Wedge. Some individuals felt if the wedge was used at nationals, then clubs would start to buy them. It could be used during warm up and in the warm up/warm down pool so people could get use to it. This would be similar to how swimmers were introduced to the starting blocks with the foot support in the back. Scott will pass these thoughts along to the Championship committee.
- Budget Priorities** – Scot Bay – The committee was asked which items should be included in the 2016 budget. 1.) Travel and expenses to the ASCA World Clinic. (There will not be the Pan Am Games or Worlds to support in 2016) 2.) USMS National Coaching Clinic and possibly satellite/regional clinics around the country. 3.) Seed money for face to face meeting to write/enhance open water curriculum as part of the Levels 1, 2, & 3 coaching curriculum
- Work With Other Committees** – Scott Bay – The committee was asked, “Since open water swimming

and triathlons have similar skill sets to pool swimming but are different sports with different needs, Should there be separate certification?" A discussion followed. Open water coaching training should begin in Level 1 certification and build through Level 3. Blended learning of online and classroom presentations could help in enhancing the curriculum. Dr. Jim Miller stated that a noncoaching committee should not control the certification process and class. Scott Bay will be meeting with the Open Water committee to evaluate and discuss the open water components in Level 1, 2, & 3 coaching certification

## 5. **Subcommittee and Task Force Reports**

**Awards** –Scott Bay– The deadline for awards handed out at convention is July 1.

**Certification** – Bill Brenner – The Level 4 coaching certification submission will be open from July 1 to 31. The new Level 4 coaches will be announced at in Kansa City at the convention. The budget for the 2016 classes (20 –Level 1 & 2 classes and 9 - Level 3 classes) Hopefully will be passed at the convention. Please send any suggestions for the Level 1, 2, & 3 classes to Scott Bay

**Championship** – No Report

**Fitness** – Bob Jennings - Nominations for the Fitness Award are open until July 1. Please nominate any individual, swimmer, or coach that does an outstanding job of promoting fitness swimming.

**High Performance** – No Report

**International Coaching** – Scott Bay – Both coaches going to the Pan Am Games speak fluid Spanish and one is a native of Columbia. There is a Facebook page for those swimmers participating in the meet. There have been registration issues.

**LMSC Communications** – Ken Brisbin – Everything is going well. Ken asked if there was a way for him to be approved for distribution of information

**Summer Nationals** – Erin Matthews – See #2

**Open Water** – Helen Naylor – See #4

**Sports Medicine and Science** – No Report

**Publications** – Cokie Lepinski – There was one article submitted last month. Any committee member that has not submitted an article please do so. Cokie does a great job of polishing up ideas and articles

**Web Workouts** – No Report

1. **Old Business** - None
2. **New Business** – Committee members that are not going to attend the convention in Kansas City are asked to please notify Scott Bay.