

GEORGIA LMSC ANNUAL MEETING MINUTES

24 SEP 11

1) Roll Call –

Listed below are those who attended the meeting and the team they represent:

Sean Fitzgerald	Atlanta Rainbow Trout (ART)
Jeffrey Tacca	Atlanta Water Jocks (AWJ)
Ed Saltzman	Dynamo (DYNA)
Mark Beatty	Georgia Masters Killer Whales (GMKW)
John Bowers	GMKW
Herb Chuvén	GMKW
Marianne Countryman	GMKW
Richard Dixon	GMKW
Berry Hamilton	GMKW
Paul Harwart	GMKW
Cathy Jones	GMKW
Elaine Krueman	GMKW
Patrick McCarthy	GMKW
Sue Ottosen	GMKW
John Zeigler	GMKW
Rob Copeland	Southside Seals (SSS)
Karol Welling	SSS
Tina Billings	Warner Robins Aquanauts Masters (WRAM)
Dan Murray	WRAM
Stephanie Saxon	WRAM
Ginny Trimble	WRAM
Michelle Walcher	WRAM
Bruce Cook	unattached

2) Adoption of Minutes from 2010 Meeting

The minutes were approved and adopted.

3) Reports of Officers

Chair (Lisa Watson) – Lisa was unable to attend this meeting due to her mother's passing. Sean noted that this was the first meeting EVER that she has missed. Our thoughts and prayers are with her.

Vice Chair (Sean Fitzgerald) – Sean ran the meeting, presenting those reports that were submitted to him by officers who were unable to attend.

Secretary (Karol Welling) – no report

Newsletter Editor (Bob Kohmescher) – All but 6 Masters swimmers are getting electronic versions of the newsletter, a great savings for us both in time and money.

Treasurer (Ed Saltzman) – Profits from the Nationals we hosted at Georgia Tech have been used to offset annual increases in dues.

Registrar (Bill Lotz) – As of 20 Sep 11, the registration report showed 843 swimmers registered. Also noted was the change that GAJA is now considered a **Club** made up of **Chapters** (new terminology).

Member-at-Large (Jeffrey Tacca) – Jeffrey explained the role of the Member-at-Large, which is to represent all the swimmers not on the board.

4) Reports of Committees

Communications (Ed Saltzman) – Our web page has lots of updates: a link to the new USMS commercial; an article on Rob Copeland, winner of this year's Arthur Ransom Award plus a video of him doing other water sports; new team pages; photo gallery from Nationals and local meets (please send him photos!); and a news page about our winning Nationals at Auburn. He's now working on the Hall of Fame addition to the site.

Fitness (John Zeigler) – John talked about recruiting new masters swimmers at the Senior Games.

Long Distance (Rob Copeland) – Rob mentioned the unsanctioned Erik Shantau fundraiser next month, which features 1K and 5K distances plus a clinic. He also mentioned a Rowdy Gaines meet and clinic in Florida in October as well.

Officials/Sanctions (Ed Saltzman) – Ed recapped this year's events: 5 SC meets plus St. Nick's and Collins Hill both coming up; 2 LC meets (UGA & Emory); plus one clinic (SwimFest). He also highlighted some exciting upcoming events:

1-3 Dec	Senior Nationals Championships
17-18 Dec	Dual in the Pool at Georgia Tech (tickets available)
Nov	Pan American Games in Rio de Janeiro
Apr 2012	new facility in Greensboro
Jun 2012	Nationals in Omaha 1 week after Olympic Trials in same pool
2012	Masters World Championships in Italy
2013	SC Nationals in Indianapolis, LC in Mission Viejo
	Pan American Games in Sarasota, FL
2014	Masters World Championships in Montreal

Top Ten/Records (Ed Saltzman) – Ed is taking over the Top Ten Times and Records for the entire Dixie Zone! The preliminary LCM lists will be published shortly.

5) Unfinished Business

Remaining 2011 Events:

TBA - Collins Hill "Veteran's Day" SCY Developmental Meet
6 Nov - St. Nicholas SCM Invitational @ Georgia Tech

By-Laws: The LMSC Board will be reviewing our current By-Laws in the months ahead for possible revisions.

6) Election of Officers

The current slate of officers was re-elected by acclamation.

7) New Business

USMS Convention on 14-18 Sep in Jacksonville:

USMS has a new Mission Statement and corresponding brochures, tags, stickers, etc. are available.

The new USMS President is Nadine Day.

Next year is a Rules year so input any desired changes NLT 12 July 2012.

Georgia LMSC Calendar 2012 –

Jan 1-31	Hour Postal Swim
Jan 28-29	Charlotte, NC SCY
Feb 4	Marist SCY Developmental Meet
Feb 11-12	Auburn, AL SCY
Mar 17-18	St. Patrick's Day SCY Invitational – Savannah (new venue!)
Mar 16-18	DIXIE ZONE CHAMPIONSHIPS – Baton Rouge
Apr 22	W Gwinnett Park SCY Developmental meet
Apr 26-29	USMS SC Nationals – Greensboro, NC
May 12	St. Petersburg, FL Open Water
May 26	Fernandina Beach, FL Open Water
Jun 2	Classic City LCM – UGA
TBA	Georgia Games Open Water
Jul 5-8	USMS LC Nationals – Omaha, Neb
TBA	Emory LC
Aug 4-5	DIXIE ZONE CHAMPIONSHIPS – Greenville, SC
TBA	Steve Lundquist Aquatic Center – LC
TBA	Garden Hills SCY Developmental meet
Sep 12-16	USMS Convention, Greensboro, NC
Sep 22	Peachtree City Pentathlon SCY, & LMSC annual meeting
Sep 29	DIXIE ZONE OPEN WATER CHAMPIONSHIPS – Sarasota, FL
Oct 12-14	DIXIE ZONE SCM CHAMPIONSHIPS – Orlando, FL
TBA	Collins Hill Veterans Day SCY Developmental Meet
TBA	St Nicholas SCM Invitational – Georgia Tech

Safety Chair – We need someone to take over this position. Sean encouraged people to volunteer.

Other –

The Chattahoochee Gold Team in Cumming has a new 10 lane, 50 M pool. Hopefully we will have a new meet there soon as our current LCM meets have decreased from 6 or 7 to now only one! Mike Slotnick mentioned that the Steve Lundquist Aquatic Center is available as a LCM possibility for Masters if a meet was run as an adjunct to a morning USA meet. It was also noted that the Pentathlon meet date continues to pose a conflict with the Senior Games and the LSC Annual meeting.

Sean handed out some 2010 Grand Prix awards. The Grand Prix has been retired and replaced by the Georgia Championship Series.

Rob mentioned the "Go the Distance" fitness logs available on-line. Also available and free to all USMS members is on-line coaching.

8) Resolutions & Orders

We've won 2 team championships in Atlanta and Auburn. Let's go for 3 in nearby Greensboro (5-6 hour drive)!

9) Adjournment

MSA - The meeting was adjourned.

Submitted respectfully,

Karol Welling