

Meeting Name:	Great Lakes Zone	Session #:	1
Chair:	C.J. Rushman (KY LMSC)	Vice Chair:	n/a
Minutes recorded by:	Pete Tarnapoll - OH	Date/time of meeting:	January 29, 2017 / 8 pm EST

Motions Passed:

1. **MSA** ó The Chris Clark Invitational short course meters swim meet will serve as the Great Lakes Short Course Zone short-course meters championship in 2017.

Number of committee members present:	6	Absent:	3	Number of other delegates present:	0
Committee members present (list all, including chair and vice chair): C.J. Rushman (Chair), LMSC chairs: Michigan = Skip Thompson, Illinois = Heidi Kafka, Indiana = Lisa Brown, Ohio = Peter Tarnapoll, Kentucky = Susan Ehringer					
Absent: Allegheny = Katherine Longwell, Lake Erie = Harry Greenfield, Wisconsin = James Biles (excused due to conflict with LDC call)					

Minutes

Great Lakes Zone Chairperson C.J. Rushman called the meeting to order at 8:05 p.m. EDT.

1. **Zone Championship:** Lisa Brown made a request on behalf of Indy Aquatic Masters to have the Chris Clark Invitational serve as the Great Lakes Short Course Zone short-course meters championship in 2017 to be held 9/30 ó 10/1 @ IUPUI Natatorium. The event will include 800, 1500 and relays. C.J. Rushman asked if the intent was for this to become an annual event or a one-year event. Lisa confirmed it is intended to be an annual event. A motion was made to have this be the Great Lakes Championship. Motion was seconded and carried without opposition. Lisa to inform Mel Goldstein of the decision.
2. **Great Lakes Zone Fund:** C.J. Rushman shared that there is currently \$942 in the zone budget, which was previously earmarked to support new open water events, if requested by such events. To date, the zone has not received any requests. So, the funds are currently sitting idle. The prevailing thought on the call was that LMSCs are probably not aware that such support funds are available to them and if they knew perhaps they would be more willing to stage new open water events. Lisa Brown suggested that we communicate the availability of these funds for new open water events on the zone's Facebook and web pages. C.J. Rushman will explore doing so and run the communication by chairs group prior to posting.
3. **Great Lakes Website and Facebook:** The chairs group discussed the need to revamp both the Zone's site and Facebook presence. C.J. Rushman will work with David Oplinger to freshen and make both more viable.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:46 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Pete Tarnapoll (OH Chair)