

## Minnesota Masters Swimming Committee - Annual Meeting Minutes

Items	Discussion
1. Attendees:	<p>Brian Cohn – Chair            Brian Holthus – Vice Chair            Nancy Kryka – Treasurer            Tom Moore – Secretary            Pam Ogden - Registrar</p> <p>Sandra Frimmerman – Safety            Karen Zemlin – Sanctions            Mike Abegg – Top Times</p> <p>Dave Bergquist            Katie Vandam</p> <p>Held Sunday, December 4, 2011 at 2:00 p.m. in the “wet classroom” at the U of M Aquatic Center after the Winter Meet.</p>
2. Agenda	<p><b>Minnesota Masters Swimming Committee Annual Meeting            December 4, 2011 - Agenda</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Introduction of 2011 Board</li> <li>2. Review of 2011 Goals and Accomplishments</li> <li>3. Election of 2012 Board</li> <li>4. Treasurer's report</li> <li>5. Registrar's report</li> <li>6. Brainstorm Suggestions for 2012 Goals and Events               <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Meets</li> <li>2. Open Water Swims</li> <li>3. Group Workouts</li> <li>4. Clinics</li> <li>5. Social Events</li> <li>6. Community Service</li> </ol> </li> </ol>
3. Introduction of 2011 Board	<p>Brian C. began the meeting by thanking all of the elected and appointed board members that have served this year and asking everyone to “pat themselves on the back” for a very successful year.</p>
4. Review of 2011 Goals and Accomplishments	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. 7 successful meets during the year: we had 8 !</li> <li>b. A special 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Minnetonka Challenge: Scott did a great job!</li> <li>c. Hold the number of 2010 swimmers who don't re-register to less than 20%: National does not track this stat so we don't know how we did, but we did increase registration by over 10%, which we will call a success!</li> <li>d. Put a grant process in place and give away \$7,500: We put a grant process in place but only received one application and gave away \$2,500.</li> <li>e. Put on at least one clinic: We had 3 “clinic”-style events that were all successful!</li> </ol>

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<p>5. Review of 2011 Goals and Accomplishments (continued)</p>	<p>f. Land the 2012 SwimFest: Event is being retooled by National; we will continue to pursue this.</p> <p>g. Increase attendance and participation at Board Meetings: we have over a dozen “regulars” so we call that a success!</p> <p>h. Have 2-3 strong candidates for Board Elections: all 5 candidates are already involved in the board but all are strong candidates!</p> <p>i. Put on at least one social event: we had several “social” events this year by paying for breakfasts, snacks and/or pizza after various meets, group workouts, and clinics; these seems a great cost-effective way to provide socializing opportunities!</p>
<p>6. Election of 2012 Board</p>	<p>Brian C. Introduced the officer candidates:</p> <p>Chair – Brian Holthus                      Vice-Chair – Tom Moore                      Secretary – Tricia Wallace                      Treasurer – Nancy Kryka                      Registrar – Pam Ogden</p> <p>Brian C. announced that 20 votes were submitted via email – 18 voted for all 5 candidates, 1 voted for just Brian H and 1 voted for just Pam, so Tom, Tricia and Nancy each had 18 votes for and 0 against and Brian and Pam each had 19 votes for and 0 against.</p> <p>Mike Abegg moved to approve all 5 officers as elected unanimously, Brian H seconded and the motion was approved!</p>
<p>7. Treasurer’s Report</p>	<p>Nancy reviewed the 2011 Financials and we are on plan as expected to finish the year about \$4K over our budget of \$23K, due to approved non-budgeted expenditures that include the special logo gifts for participants at the state meet, the commemorative gift for participants at the 25<sup>th</sup> annual Minnetonka challenge as well as the expenses to send additional representatives to the national USMS conferences. Our cash on hand stands at \$75K, which we want to lower over the next several years via our grant process.</p> <p>The 2012 Budget is a break-even budget at \$27K, which is larger than the 2011 budget due to both expected growth and to an increase in meet registration fees so that we can fund meet-related give-aways from meet fees while continuing to fund other give-aways and social events from general funds.</p>
<p>8. Registrar’s Report</p>	<p>We closed the 2011 Registration count at 999 at the end of October. We already have 311 registered for 2012 and essentially all of our clubs have re-registered as well.</p>

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<p>9. Brainstorm Suggestions for 2012 Goals and Events</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Meets                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• We will try to add a SCM meet in September (Pam has a contact at the Macalester) and a meet in Rochester</li> <li>• It was noted that there may be sensitivity to raising meet fees from some members, so we will implement an “early bird” option at the current \$15, then “regular” registration at \$20</li> </ul> </li> <li>2. Open Water Swims                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• We will continue the “open water half marathon” series again in 2012</li> <li>• Scott has already begun working on the “National 10 mile” in conjunction with the Minnetonka 5 mile; the 10 mile will be an ‘out and back’ version of the course</li> </ul> </li> <li>3. Group Workouts                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• We will have one scheduled for January and one for February and will continue to look for clubs to host</li> </ul> </li> <li>4. Clinics                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• We will have a ‘starts and turns’ clinic in March, 3 weeks before the state meet</li> <li>• We will work to host the Midwest 2012 SwimFest, as soon as info is available</li> </ul> </li> <li>5. Social Events                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• We will continue to have social opportunities by providing meals and/or snacks after other events</li> </ul> </li> <li>6. Community Service                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• We will continue to look for opportunities that require ‘human power’ rather than cash so we can leverage volunteers</li> </ul> </li> </ol>
<p>10. Meeting Adjourned</p>	<p>The Meeting was Adjourned at 3:45pm.</p>

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