

MONTANA LMSC  
Annual Membership Meeting - Saturday, April 7, 2018

Held in conjunction with the MT LMSC SCY State Championship Swim Meet-  
Missoula

The meeting was called to order at the social at The Loft at 6:10 pm by the chair. Board members present were Jeanne Ensign (Chair), Dick Weber (Vice Chair), Edie VanBuskirk (Secretary), Keegan Witt (Treasurer), Donn Livoni (Immediate Past President), Audrey Wooding (Registrar), Glenn DeHekker (Club Rep- Montana Masters), Phillip Luebke (Top Ten and Records) and Craig Jourdonnais (Sanctions). Approximately 35 other LMSC members were present.

1) Welcome and Announcements – Jeanne welcomed everyone and they introduced themselves.

**2) MSA to approve the minutes of the March 25, 2017 annual meeting.**

3) Officer Reports

a. Treasurer - Keegan. No report, as he joined the meeting later.

b. Registrar - Audrey Wooding

Current 2018 membership is 218, comprised of 86 women, 132 men.

c. Top Ten Recorder- Phillip Luebke

Records will be updated after this meet. Keep in mind that not all pools are the accurate distance so check with him. If you swim out of state meets be sure to let him know, as he does not automatically check out-of-state meets.

d. Vice Chair- Dick Weber- no report

e. Chair- Jeanne Ensign

The LMSC launched a new LMSC website, most of which was done by Sue Falsey who currently is Webmaster. [www.wimmontana.org](http://www.wimmontana.org). The chair asked if anyone who has experience with websites was interested in helping, and that it would be more than welcome - ongoing posting of articles of interest, putting in state information - any and all help is welcome. Our LMSC received the results of LMSC compliance with the USMS LMSC Standards – we scored 25/25!

4) New Business

a. State Meet rotation - 2019 is an At Large year

Suggestions were Polson, Whitefish, Billings and Butte. Mark Comfort will work with Jeanne to secure a site. The next years are: Bozeman 2020, At Large 2021, Missoula 2022, etc.

5) Club reports

a. Jeanne encouraged swimmers to register with USMS rather than using One-Event registration.

b. Bozeman Masters:

Janelle Munson-McGee said they now have a new bulkhead. They received an ALTS (Adult Learn to Swim) grant and the workshop was well received by the community. Suzette Harkin is willing to help out

if anyone would like information on ALTS and how to get this going in your community. Granting for the coming year will start the middle of May to the middle of June. There is a great ALTS article in the current Swimmer magazine.

c. Flathead Lake Open Water Swimmers (FLOWS):

Mark was absent so Jeanne provided information. They have 4 members from all over the world. \$100 of each registration fee is split between two charities: the Swim Guide project to monitor the recreational water quality of Flathead Lake and USMS Swimming Saves Lives Foundation. FLOWS is currently hosting the Virtual Swimtathlon League with 40 participants. Mark is the chair of the USMS Open Water Coaching Development sub-committee to create an educational program as part of the coach development curriculum.

d. Kalispell Masters (KATS):

Report by John Cole: KATS has 28 members. They are having issues with enough pool time and uncertain of what the future will hold. The 5<sup>th</sup> annual Flathead Swim Series will be held the 3<sup>rd</sup> week of July at the Big Arm State Park.

e. Montana Masters:

Report by Glenn: MM does not have a webpage or website, but they are on Facebook. They have helped support others in the state by purchasing open water buoys, lap counters, and stop watches.

- 6) 2018 Budget: **MSA to approve the 2018 LMSC budget with a net deficit of \$1,825.** Jeanne noted that we have surplus money in the bank and asked for spending suggestions to benefit the members. One suggestion was a coaching clinic but we will need to find a coordinator. We will aim for an October/November timeline and Michelle Rutherford volunteered to start working on it. Another suggestion was to have a Long Course State meet possibly in Bozeman. The Firecracker meet is at the end of June but the pool at Splash is not certified and swims are not eligible for records. Finally, Jeanne asked if the members would approve paying the board member's membership as a small compensation for their extra work. **MSA for the LMSC to pay board member registration fees.**
- 7) Officer elections will be held in 2019 for Chair, Treasurer, Secretary and Vice Chair. Nancy Shubert from Whitefish volunteered to lead a nominating committee.
- 8) Other Business – none.
- 9) The meeting adjourned at 6:57 pm.