

Minutes of the North Texas Local Masters Swim Committee

A meeting of the North Texas LMSC was called to order at Crudo Restaurant in Frisco on Saturday, June 20, 2015 at 1:41 pm. In accordance with the timeline in the committee by-laws, notice of the meeting was issued on March 28, 2015.

I. Roll Call - The following individuals were in attendance: Lynn Morrison, Chairperson, Kim Shaw, Treasurer, Lisa Rice Greedy, Secretary, Dave Young, Registrar, Laurie Dunlap, Sanctions Chair, Bob Tierney, Webmaster and team representatives; Sandy Thatcher PCAT, Steve Morris, PCAT, Bobby Van Patten, DAM, Michael Doyle, PCAT, Walter K Accessor NTEX, Ken Pipkin, PCAT, Ben Michaelson, PCAT

II. Minutes – The Secretary read the minutes from the previous meeting on March 21, 2015. The Committee adopted the minutes as read.

III. Report of Officers – Lynn Morrison, Chairperson, reported that the Summer Kick Off Event was rescheduled due to weather and was ultimately relocated to the new Texas Ford Aquatics (TFA) pool. The event was a success with about 50 participants. It was suggested that the event be scheduled at the TFA pool next year.

Registrar Young reported he is still working to get Lifetime Fitness members to join USMS. The task is difficult with the on-going turnover of coaches however at this point all Lifetime facilities are registered as swim clubs.

Treasurer Shaw reported the checking balance at \$25,000 and the CD at \$21,000. Some of the surplus has been spent this year, mostly \$1,240 to date on coaching certification reimbursements as well as funds disbursed for the Summer Kick Off and reimbursement for Adult Learn to Swim Certifications.

Secretary Greedy had nothing to report.

Bob Tierney, Webmaster reminded the group that North Texas Masters must be fully spelled out for the new domain address, northtexasmasters.org. Tierney explained how the original domain name was lost. Laurie Dunlap commented that North Texas masters website was not coming up in a Google search.

Bob Tierney to put key words in to facilitate searches on the club.

IV. Committee Reports

The Fitness Committee is to report back to the board, the results of the 1st quarter Go the Distance challenge.

V. Unfinished Business –

Elections – The board and the team representative approved a motion to nominate and elect the following individuals to the 2016 -18 term.

Dave Young – Chairman
Bob Welty – Registrar
Adam Hindson – Secretary
Mike Doyle - Treasurer

VI. New Business

- a. Rockwall Long Course meet to be held August 15-16.
- b. A discussion to establish a new, larger regional team for short course meters (SCM) meets was led by Lynn Morrison. This reorganization would require swimmers to switch team affiliations from current clubs to the newly established North Texas Lonestar club. Swimmers would then switch back to their home clubs after January 1. The purpose of this reorganization would be to build camaraderie within the zone between swimmers and to encourage all levels of swimmers to come together for team relays at SCM meets this fall. The possibility of sweeping the USMS Top Ten standings and even setting world record relays was discussed. Laurie Dunlap suggested a minimum cut-off date to change teams to facilitate the registration process for the Woodlands SCM meet administrators.

Laurie and Lynn will work together to coordinate swimmers changing affiliations for the Woodlands meet to be held November 7-8.

Lynn Morrison and Ben Michaelson to ask TFA to sanction a SCM meet or to host a workout camp / meet before the Woodlands meet to facilitate formation of and practice for relay teams.

Also to be discussed with TFA – an end of year relay meet.
Morrison and Michaelson to also investigate the formation of relay teams. The possibility of forming both elite and recreational relays needs to be explored.

- c. NTM Publicist – Board discussed the need to have someone go to meets and events to take photos and write up articles and then to coordinate the publishing of content on website. Ken Pipkin offered Ariel Shitzer to start acting as Publicist.

A motion was made to nominate Ariel Snitzer as Publicist. The motion was seconded and overwhelmingly approved.

- d. Annual US Aquatics Convention is being held from September 30-October 4. Dave Young and Walter Accessor will represent NTM this year.

e. A discussion on new ways to utilize the website was lead by Bob Tierney.

Bob and Ariel to explore ways to use website to reach members.

f. The Board made a motion to recognize Kim Shaw, Treasurer, for 25 years of service to NTM. The motion was seconded and approved.

Lynn Morrison and Dave Young to explore possible gift/ award.

g. Bob Tierney to change the names of officers on the website on September 1, 2015

VII. Resolutions and Order - there were no resolutions

VIII. Adjournment - the meeting was adjourned at 2:30. Next meeting set for October 2015, date TBD.

SIGNED Lynn Morrison 8-31-15
CHAIRMAN