

Oklahoma Masters Swimming Annual Meeting- 8/1/2015

Tres Amigos, 8144 S. Lewis Avenue, Tulsa, OK

Attendees: Dewey Smith, , Dennis Wilson, Jon Dees, Bruce Dart, George Villarreal, Denise Smart, Blair Brockman, Janet Latham, Andrea Gillman, Kathy Keffer-Sharpe, Liz Lazar, Don Nelson, Christy Behrens, Margie Selby, George Selby, Louise Churchill, Betsy Beddow, Keith Kelley, Sarah Kopsky, Mike Finley, Bruce Dart, Steve Lee, Peggy Evans

The meeting was called to order at 3:15 by Chairman Dewey Smith. A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes from 2014. The motion passed.

Dewey asked for the officers' reports.

Registrar Loida Delgado: Loida was not present, but Dewey offered her report. There are currently 226 members, which is one more than the previous year.

Treasurer Steve Johnson: Steve was not present, but Dewey offered his report. The current balance for the Oklahoma account is \$11,637.61, but most of our expenses are yet to come. The profit sharing for 2014 was \$889, with five clubs participating. The website expenses for the past two years amounted to \$251.88. Deposits from registrations with USMS totaled \$1,825.

Sanctions Kirsten Fullerton: Kirsten was not present, but there was nothing to report from the Sanctions committee.

Top 10/Records Sean Callan: Sean was not present, but Dewey stated that we need to find a new person to fill this position, as Sean will be retiring from it. Blair Brockman agreed to be the new Top 10 Records officer.

Safety Kathy-Keffer Sharpe: Kathy stated that there was nothing to report for the safety committee.

Webmaster Colin Drysdale: Colin was not present, but Dewey followed up on last year's discussion of determining a better way to communicate with club members. Email has been the most efficient, but requires Loida to maintain a master list. We are looking into ways to get a usable master email list from USMS. Facebook is an option, but has limitations for many members and people don't always check it.

Officials Liaison Lloyd Landreth: Lloyd was not present, but Dewey stated that we had 6 officials at the meet today, as opposed to only 2 last year.

Unfinished Business: None

New Business:

1. The USMS Convention will be held in Kansas City on October 1-4, 2015. Dewey asked if we would like to nominate someone to attend. Dewey requested volunteers to attend and George Villarreal offered to be this year's delegate. The motion to send George to the Kansas City convention passed.

2. Upcoming Special Events—The annual Tallchief Open Water swim will be Sunday, September 13, 2015. It is limited to 150 swimmers ages 9 and up. Last year the event was full and is expected to be full again this year. Pre-registrations are ahead of schedule.

3. Level I and II USMS Coach Certification Clinic is September 26, 2015 in Oklahoma City. This certification offers training to become a USMS coach. Both Betsy Beddow and Blair Brockman have attended in the past. There are currently five, \$90 stipends available for the coaches clinics to be distributed among the clubs. George Villarreal may be able to get his tuition covered through the Jenks Public School District. The idea is to have 1 person from each club attending. Denise Smart is hoping to attend the coaches clinic as well.

A Level III coaches clinic is being offered in Kansas City. Janet Latham is hoping to attend this clinic.

4. The Great Raft Race is returning to Tulsa after a 24 year break. Discussions to enter a raft for the Labor Day event for Tulsa Masters Swim Club and any others interested in participating are on-going.

5. The Christmas party will be held on December 5, 2015 at the VFW Post at 6th and Peoria. Details to follow.

6. Dewey announced the results of the Board's nomination for the Swimmer of the Year award. This year's award was awarded to Janet Latham. Janet received one year's payment of dues to USMS and a gift card to Swim Outlet.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:42 pm.

Andrea Gillman, OMS Secretary