

Oklahoma Masters LMSC Annual Meeting – March 14, 2022

Kirsten Hoffman called the meeting to order at 5:35pm

Roll Call

Janet Latham, Kathy Keffer-Sharpe, Kirsten Hoffman, Leslie Moon, Haylie Myers, Ron Peters

Reading, correction, and adoption of minutes

Janet Latham motioned to approve the annual minutes from the 2022 meeting. Leslie Moon seconded the motion. The 2022 minutes passed unanimously.

Report of the Officers

Chair: Please see attached report.

Vice Chair: Janet brought up that we did have senior games in OKC for the past three years. Westwood Aquatic Center in Norman was used for the meet. They would like to get more people involved. Kathleen Fitzgerald is working hard to keep the games going.

Janet suggested paying the membership fees for officers as compensation for their service.

Membership Coordinator: Kirsten provided information regarding the continual decline of registration in Oklahoma. Nationally she reported that membership numbers are on the rise, which has been a positive trend. She encouraged clubs to check their email about initiatives from the USMS governing body. She also mentioned state-wide issues of getting affordable facilities in the state. The number of self-identified coaches has remained consistent. Members of TMSC were interested in who those people are, as they have had an open position for some time. Kirsten mentioned that we could put advertisements up on our social media website and ask the national office for guidance.

Membership Statistics At-a-Glance

Oklahoma 2022

- 129 Members Registered
 - 65 Men
 - 64 Women
 - 0 today
 - 3 this month

Oklahoma 2021

- 178 Members Registered
 - 91 Men
 - 87 Women
 - 0 today
 - 4 this month

Oklahoma Clubs

- 6 registered clubs for 2022
 - 7 registered clubs for 2021
- 22 self-identified coaches for 2022
 - 22 self-identified coaches for 2021

National 2022

- 41,549 Members Registered
 - 21,799 Men
 - 19,750 Women
 - 32 today
 - 1,289 this month

National 2021

- 51,124 Members Registered
 - 26,127 Men
 - 24,997 Women
 - 56 today
 - 2,371 this month

National Clubs

- 959 registered clubs for 2022
 - 879 registered clubs for 2021
- 6,244 self-identified coaches for 2022
 - 6,047 self-identified coaches for 2021

Treasurer: Tim Murphy was not able to be present due to work. At the last meeting we had over \$10,000 in the bank.

Sanctions Chair: Jack Zedlitz, was absent as he was attending a family trip. There was one sanction in the South Zone Virtual Short Course meet.

Top Ten/Records: No report. Top Ten Chair Leo Mendoza was absent; however, he has turned in all reports to the National Office.

Officials: No report. Position currently vacant. Kirsten is asking Marnie or Rob Kern if she might be interested in this position. Kirsten has also asked Craig Hanson if the USA Swimming officials clinics could be opened to USMS. He said the more the merrier. Kirsten will post those clinics on our website and social media.

Safety: Kathy Keffer-Sharpe has nothing to report on as the Safety Chair.

Webmaster: Colin Drysdale is interested in getting a replacement. He no longer lives in the US. He does keep poking at it if we make a request. He is happy to turn it over. Leslie believes someone needs to take it over who could be more active in using for advertising and recruiting. Kirsten said she would be asking Colin for access. Leslie received an estimate for a revamp of the website. The ballpark estimate would be \$2,000 for a complete refresh of the site. That estimate does not include e-commerce. It would be built in a way where we could make iterative changes to it. Once we have financial information, we can take a more expansive look at this. Janet asked if we could have clubs make their own updates in the future.

Reports of Committees

We currently have no fully staffed committees.

Unfinished business

There was no unfinished business.

Elections

There were no nominations from the floor. Hailey asked for clarification on what the rules committee entailed. Kirsten reviewed the bylaws. Janet mentioned that Anita Walker has been the rules and official chair in the past. Kirsten commented that she was no longer a member. She has reached out to her at USA Swimming meets. Rules committee information was reported back to the group.

Hailey said she loves rules and would be happy to serve.

Kirsten nominated Hailey Myers as the Rules chair. Janet Latham seconded. She was unanimously approved for this position.

Kirsten mentioned that we would continue the process to fill the additional positions.

New Business

Website Design – Leslie brought up wanting to refresh the website. Kirsten said that she would reach out to Tim. She also said that she would like to get a second or third quote.

Development of Meets for 2022 Season – Kirsten asked if anyone knew of interest in hosting meets for the 2022 year. Hailey spoke with Jenks about having a meet. They are looking at August 20, 2022, to return to having the Oklahoma Memorial State Championship Meet. Kirsten said that she would be happy to start working on getting officials for that meet. Janet reported that the Rose State Pool has been closed for tile work, but might be a place to host a meet. Harrah may also be available. They have a new person in charge. Janet asked about the possibility of using the Lighthouse. Kirsten might be able to do a masters meet. We might be able to have masters meets at the same time, but safe sport restrictions and the amount of people at the meets may be an issue.

South Central Zone Open Water Grand Prix Challenge – Kirsten announced the inaugural water grand prix. They would like to add an Oklahoma location in the future.

South Central zone SCY Championships – Kirsten mentioned dates and times. She also went over the South Central Zone website.

USMS National Champs – Kirsten reminded everyone about the upcoming national meets.

Swimmer of the Year Vote – Kirsten asked if there were any nominees. The name of the award is a bit of a misnomer. It has traditionally been honored volunteers. Kirsten asked if we wanted to clarify the criteria. There does not seem to be any documentation regarding the award. We did put this award on hiatus last year due to the pandemic. Leslie said she was in favor of postponing it. Kirsten stated she would love to have better criteria, dates of nomination, and more info on the website. Kathy recommended reaching out to Dewey. We usually had to have that information before the August annual meeting that was in conjunction with the memorial state championship. There is nothing in the by-laws about the award. Kirsten asked to plan for the award to see if we can get nominees by July 1, 2022, for the Memorial State.

Reimbursement of Membership Fees – Janet made a motion that we reimburse officers membership fees at the end of each year of service. Leslie Moon seconded it. The motion passed unanimously. Kirsten mentioned that we will need to update the bylaws.

Colin Drysdale – Janet said we should thank Colin for all his service over the years.

Resolutions and Orders

There were no resolutions or orders.

Adjournment

Janet Latham motion to adjourn. Kathy Keffer-Sharpe seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 6:34pm.

Respectfully submitted,



Kirsten Hoffman