

Committee Name:	OMS Board	2014	April
Committee Chair:	Jeanne Teisher	Vice Chair:	Wes Edwards
Minutes recorded by:	Michelle C. Jacobs-Brown	Date/time of meeting:	4-5-15 5:00 pm

Number of committee members present: 19	Absent: 3	Guests: 12
Board Members Present: Jeanne Teisher, Ginger Pierson, Sandi Rousseau, Gary Whitman, Wes Edwards, Joy Ward, Kermit Yensen, Aubree Gustafson, Tim Waud, Michelle Jacobs-Brown, Christina Fox, Stephen Darnell, Bob Bruce, Dennis Baker, Bruce Andrus-Hughes, Tyler Jessop, MJ Caswell, Jacki Allender, Bonnie Edwards		
Guest Meeting Attendees: Sue Phillips, Jon Foges, Jill Marie Asch, Katelyn Sinclair, Sue Calnek, Allen Stark, Rafael Palacios, Charlie Helm, Elke Asleson, Jim Asleson, Pat Allender, Adam Trexler		

Minutes

The meeting was called to order by Jeanne Teisher, Chair, at 5:00 pm

Review of Agenda

A. Overview:

1. Introductions: A. Jeanne welcomed guest meeting attendees. Introductions were made all-around with name, teams, time swimming with OMS. B. Jeanne summarized Board duties and expectations for guests and team representatives. C. Jeanne asked team representatives to please send comments, suggestions, and requests to the Board whenever needed.

B. Open Water (Bob Bruce):

1. Open Water Schedule:

May 17th: Open water clinic in Bend
 May 18th: Juniper Pool Buoy Swim
 June 15: Hagg Lake Swim (sanction in queue) - Featuring 800m, 2k and 4k swims.
 June 28: Foster Lake Swim
 July 13: Columbia River Bridge Swim (17k)
 July 19-20: Applegate Lake (Rogue Valley) - this swim is the same time as OMS LCM Association Meet.
 August 1, 2, &3: Elk Lake (20th Annual) - Featuring 5k National Championship

There are fewer swims this year due to USMS tightening up insurance and swim rules.

2. Open Water Update: A. Oregon Senior Games are scheduled for June 20 & 21 at COMA. This will be a multi-sport event for athletes who are 50 years of age and over. The meet will include 25m sprints.

C. Vice Chair Report (Wes):

1. US Spring Nationals. A. 53 swimmers from OMS, which is the second largest team registered. There are 9 Ducks swimming as well.

2. T-Hills Meet: A. 1 day LCM meet set for May 31, 2014. Featuring a 1500 m swim. Registration is on the website.

3. Pendleton Swim Association. A. Pendleton will hold a dual sanctioned meet July 11-13, 2014. This meet will use USA rules.

4. 2014 Worlds: August 3-9th in Montreal this year.

5. 2014 Nationals: August 13-17 in Maryland.

6. Gil Young LCM Championship Association Meet: August 22-24, 2014 at Mt. Hood Community College. This meet will also be a Zone LCM meet.

7. LaCamas Meet: A. The LaCamas HeadHunters (LHST) would like to hold a 2 day SCM meet. They will be submitting an application in 2-3 days. The meet is tentatively scheduled for September 27-29, 2014.

D. 2014 Nationals (Tim)

1. Update: A. Tim Waud will be in Santa Clara as the Masters Coach for the 2014 Nationals. B. Brent Washburne will be an Assistant Coach and will be getting the relays set up. He will send a link to all 53 swimmers so they can enter what they can/will swim in the relays. He will make sure the relays are figured out before Nationals.

* OMS is a premier LMSC in the swimming world! We almost won Nationals last year!

E. 2016/2017 Nationals (Jeanne/Dennis)

1. Update: A. OMS periodically likes to host a major meet. We are looking into bidding for hosting the 2016 or 2017 USMS Nationals here at Mt. Hood Community College. This is a big money-maker for OMS! B. The School President, and the new Pool Administrator for Mt. Hood Community College have given the go-ahead to host a National Meet here! Dennis feels there is much more support from the school than in previous years. C. USMS usually helps out with a National event, but this event will still need a lot of volunteers from the whole of OMS. D. We are working on a bid packet to submit this year in order to bid for Nationals in 2016 or 2017. This will be a big group effort to accomplish. E. We are bidding against several other groups, so there is no guarantee we'll get it, but we're hopeful.

F. Website (Jeanne/Bonnie):

1. Update: A. The website has been recently updated, but is still a work in progress; however, it is much more user friendly now! Bonnie is working with the board and other individuals so more than one person can monitor and update the website.

G. Aqua Master (Jeanne):

1. Update: A. The Aqua Master needs to change. We will not get rid of this service right-away, but we are looking for better ways to present this information in easier to read/access formats. B. The Board discussed this issue in depth at the yearly retreat and we are looking into what other Clubs and LMSC's are doing. We have been looking at USMS and the Streamlines format as well. OMS is trying to keep up with the times and provide information to all swimmers without forcing anyone to dig for it.

Question (Allen Stark): Is there any way to put up a bulletin board for posting items such as blogs, videos, messages, or a forum?

Answer (Bonnie): There is a section that allows people to post now. The calendar is the best place to post information or leave comments, and Bonnie is also working on connections to Facebook with links. We already have an active Twitter feed.

C. It was suggested that we place an update message in the upcoming Aqua Master to let swimmers know about the website's new expanded features, and where they can find the information. **D.** Bonnie has done a lot of work on this site over the last year! She is open to and available for questions and comments! Just send any suggestions to her e-mail.

H. Worlds (Tim):

1. Update: **A.** Entries for Worlds are open now, and closes June 1st. Swimmers can currently enter events, but are not required to enter times yet. **B.** If you are entering, only Clubs will be allowed to swim relays, and only the coaches (Tim) can submit the relays. **C.** If OR Club wants to participate in relays; it will cost \$40.00 Canadian to enter. **D.** There is a World's meeting at Nationals Friday after events are completed. This will take place at the Gold Medal Tent.

I. Miscellaneous (Michelle)

1. Celebration: **A.** Steve Darnell turned 60 this week! Happy 60th birthday to Steve!

**Motion to adjourn. M/S/A*

Meeting adjourned at 5:50 pm
