

Meeting Announcements: The Annual STLMSC meeting was announced on February 23, 2013 via email to all current LMSC members, 73 days prior to the April 6, 2013 meeting. Call of Board Officer Nominations was included in the announcement. Announcements were also posted on the LMSC website and included in follow-up emails to the membership.

Minutes of the Annual meeting of the South Texas LMSC , 2013. Texas Swimming Center, Austin, TX

MCO at 4:55pm by President Ed Coates

Present: Ed Coates, Steve Unruh, Tyler Blessing, Mary Jurey, Joe Mandy, Jim Sauer, Chris Kadas, Kevin English, Constance George, Colin Smiley, Brian Albright, and Kelzie Beebe.
Guest: Rob Butcher, Executive Director of USMS

Approval of 2012 Minutes: MSA to approve the 2012 annual meeting minutes.

Reports:

President: Ed distributed a meeting agenda, the 2012 meeting minutes, and the financial statements (income statement and balance sheet). Ed also distributed redline version of the proposed bylaw amendments

Ed reported we have 676 swimmers registered swimmers so far this year and 16 clubs registered in STLMSC. We ended 2012 with 873 members. This will entitle us to 3 convention delegates.

Mary Jurey reported that as of the end of 2012 we had a net profit of \$1,500 and a bank balance of \$38,000. As of April 1, 2013 our bank balance had grown to nearly \$42,000. Most of our revenue comes from our portion of the member registration fee.

No reports from Secretary/Top 10 or Parliamentarian

Vice Chair/Sanctions Tyler Blessing discussed briefly the new Open Water Sanction requirements. Ed mentioned that the new board will form a group to review the new sanction fee and develop a policy for supporting open water event.

MSA to approve Officers Reports

Reports of Committees: Rules Committee consisting of Brian Albright – Chair, Tyler Blessing and Steve Unruh presented proposed revisions to the bylaws. Ed Coates briefly covered the changes as outlined below.

- Many formatting, capitalization, and numbering changes for consistency throughout the document
- Replaced term “President” with “Chair” for consistency with USMS naming conventions
- Updated the Treasurers duties to comply with USMS financial policies and the use of the on-line registration system. For example, the Treasurer is not authorized to sign any checks. Checks are only signed by the Chair or Vice-chair to ensure proper separation of duties and oversight.

- Removed reporting requirements for the Registrar because reports are available in the on-line registration system
- Provided Board flexibility in scheduling the Annual General Membership meeting to help promote attendance
- Changed the minimum number of members of standing committees
- Changed election procedure to provide additional flexibility to election committee in how it distributes ballots
- Replaced entire Grievance procedure language with new procedure recommended by USMS for all LMSCs.

MSA to approved amended bylaws effective 4/6/2013.

Election of Board Officers: The election committee consisted of Steve Limberg-chair, Colin Smiley and Tyler Blessing. Colin Smiley presented the following slate of candidates:

Ed Coates, Chair	TXLA
Jim Sauer, Vice Chair/Sanctions	TXLA
Liz Mason, Registrar	Unattached
Brian Albright, Parliamentarian	WHAC
Mary Jurey, Treasurer	TXLA
Susan Ingraham, Secretary/Top Ten Recorder	MOST

The proposed slate of candidates was approved unanimously by all members present at the annual meeting.

Unfinished Business: None

New Business:

Ed had additional discussion of the Open Water Sanction issue and the need to develop a policy regarding LMSC financial support of open water events in light of the new sanction fee. He stated we need to be prudent in which events we support to ensure that it benefits a sufficient number of our members. Discussion followed.

With no other business to conduct, the meeting adjourned at 5:15pm

Ed thanked all for Attending.