

Monday, October 19th at Day Riverside Library
1575 W. 1000 N. SLC, UT 84116
5:00pm - 7:00pm

1. Members present:
 - a. Gordon Gridley - Chairman & SDM club rep
 - b. Dennis Tesch - Records & HASC club rep
 - c. Josh Green - Secretary/Sanctions/Treasurer
 - d. Chad Starks - SLOW club rep
 - e. Matt Bird - UUSC club rep
 - f. Shawn Sterling - OACM club rep
 - g. Karen Oliver - Officials Chair
 - h. Sterling Fuhriman - QUAC club rep
 - i. Lo Knapp - UTAH club rep
 - j. Lee Chamberlain
2. Current LMSC and Club stats:
 - a. 406 members
 - b. 15 clubs currently:
 - i. UC34 ("unatached") - 73
 - ii. HASC - 4
 - iii. JCC - 10
 - iv. LTUT - 2
 - v.
 - vi. OACM - 59
 - vii. QUAC - 71
 - viii. SALT - 29
 - ix. SDM - 38
 - x. SLOW - 14
 - xi. STM - 0
 - xii. TMAT - 4
 - xiii. USU - 8
 - xiv. UTAH - 66
 - xv. UUCS - 23
 - xvi. WSG - 0
3. Upcoming Events:
 - a. September SCM meet was cancelled due to lack of officials/timers. Lynne had to come up with \$100 to pay Club Assistance. Ouch! Seriously? We couldn't get officials?
 - i. **Sanctions will now require them to have a confirmed starter and official for the meet prior to sanction to reduce the likelihood of this happening again. This is more to protect the race director from incurring charges against themselves, and to avoid any meets being sanctioned that are cancelled because of lack of commitment.**
 - b. Huntsman finished on the 9th. [Here are the overall results page](#) on their site, but have they provided results to Dennis for USMS members?
 - i. **Dennis has the results, but still needs the meet backup. He will follow up with them. He registered them as a club (HSG) in order for any World records to count. Thanks Dennis!**

- c. South Davis Meet (already sanctioned) - Nov 14th 2015
 - i. **Meet posters handed out.**
 - d. 3000 / 6000 USMS ePostal National Championships - September 15 - November 15
 - e. December - December 5 - OACM Holiday Meet - Sanction request submitted on October 14 (new sanction fees will apply)
 - f. January - Pentathlon? - St George
 - i. **Gordon to communicate the new Sanction charges to Lynn (See below for sanction charges)**
 - g. February 20th - QUAC Ski and Swim
 - h. March -March 5 - OACM Spring Meet - Sanction request submitted on October 14 (new sanction fees will apply)
 - i. April - April 16 - Utah Masters State Champs - OACM
 - j. April - April 28 - May 1 - USMS Champs in Greensboro.
4. FYI - Josh has taken over sanction/secretary/treasurer responsibilities from Kyle.
 - a. Josh to present financial report.
 - i. [Click here for current account balances](#)
 - ii. A vote needs to be taken to make changes to who is on the account with University Federal Credit Union. **Vote postponed until the end of the meeting, due to change in Chair position.**
 5. Last month we discussed incentives to younger swimmers (those 21 and under) and older swimmers. I emailed this to Anna Lea to get her thoughts. [Here's the discussion.](#)
 - a. Do we want to just make this deal based on age, without restrictions? Otherwise that puts a big burden on the Registrar to validate the restrictions, if it's even possible.
 - i. **Vote taken and was unanimous: Offer \$8 discount to all members 18-24, and 70+, regardless of any other restrictions. Simply age based, to allow for online registration to handle this discount. Gordon to update 2016 application and communicate this to Anna Lea for online registration which goes into effect Nov 1st.**
 - b. Here is the proposed [2016 membership application](#).
 6. Will and Lynne attended the USMS Convention as our Utah Delegates. Will returned with some interesting changes around sanctioning:
 - a. Pool Events: \$50 flat sanction fee per event Plus \$5 per participant for national championships
 - b. Open Water Events: \$100 flat sanction fee per event Plus \$5 per participant
 - c. Maximum of \$1000 total per event (flat fee + pp fee)
 - "Participant" means an event entrant who actually checked in for the event. In other words, the \$5 fee does not apply to no shows.
 - The fees are immediately applicable to all 2016 pool and open water events sanctioned by an LMSC after 10/4/2015.
 - The sanction fees do not apply to recognized meets.
 - The fees are payable by the LMSC to USMS. Each LMSC can decide whether to subsidize or collect any/all of the sanction fees from the event.
 - The LMSC may charge the event organizer its own LMSC sanction fee.

Proposal: The \$50 sanction fee will be charged by the LMSC to the person requesting the sanction. The LMSC will NOT be buffering this \$50 charge that USMS will now charge for all sanctioned pool events. No additional sanction fee will be charged on top of the \$50

that USMS requires. Vote taken: PASSED.

Discussion of open water sanctioning to be postponed to another time.

Note: Pool meets that are Recognized and not Sanctioned would NOT be covered by USMS insurance, the USMS members would have their times count (EXCEPT World records), but NOT insurance coverage by USMS.

2016 Board positions: **Changes in bold, Vacancies remaining in red, which we hope the clubs will attempt to help fill.**

1. Board positions that need filling for 2016: It is suggested that clubs take a greater responsibility in filling these positions.
 - a. **Chairman - Karen Oliver**
 - b. **1st Vice Chair - Matt Bird**
 - c. Current board positions that are already filled by club:
 - i. Treasurer/Secretary: Josh Green (SLOW)
 - ii. **Sanctions Chair - Open (Josh Green unless another steps up)**
 - iii. Records: Dennis Tesch (HASC)
 - iv. Registrar: Katy Kessinger (UTAH)
 - v. **Club Development Chair: Open**
 - vi. Open Water / Long Distance Chair: Sue Frehse (SLOW)
 - vii. **Officials Chair: Open**
 - viii. Webmaster: Gordon Gridley (SDM)
 - ix. **Coaches: Open**
 - x. **Fitness Chair: Open**
 - xi. **Social Chair: Open**
 - d. Clubs that are not holding board positions: QUAC, JCC, LTUT, MPS, SALT, STM (No members), TMAT, USU, UUCS, WSG (No members)

Karen Oliver and Matt Bird were nominated by Shawn Stringham to take on the Chair and 1st Vice Chair positions. A vote was taken and was unanimous.

Karen Quackenbush of Olympus Masters was nominated by Shawn Stringham to take over the Fitness Chair position. Shawn was going to talk to Karen. A vote to be taken at a later date. Some discussion was had on what the Fitness Chair is responsible for. Some responsibilities that were discussed include implementing the Adult Learn to Swim program and creating a newsletter.

Sarah Jones has stepped down from Club Development Chair. Gordon will ask her to put together a document with what work she has done so far and what her vision for the position is.

Lee Chamberlin from Olympus Masters was nominated for several positions and expressed an interest in filling one of them. Lee was going to think about which position he would take and will get back to the board.

A swimmer from Olypmus Masters was suggested to take over the Secretary position. Shawn to follow up with that swimmer and get back to the board.

Sanctions Chair to be separated from Treasurer position. Josh is the interim Sanctions Chair until

a replacement is found.

Any other items to discuss?

Josh suggested that it would be beneficial to poll the current membership as to what they want to get out of USMS and the LMSC so that we can better serve them.

Gords created this survey to better understand our members and their needs, values, and current experience: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/SXZPFH3>

We have had trouble with University Federal Credit Union with getting people taken off of the account and getting new people added. We need to have a formal discussion during the board meeting about who should be on the bank account so that we can resolve this problem. We need to include in the meeting minutes who is to be removed and who is to be added, and then send a copy of the minutes to the credit union. I have summarized below:

To be removed from the account:

Kimberly Hunter - past chair

Kyle Treadway - past treasurer

To be added to the account:

Karen Oliver - 2016 Chair

Josh Green - 2016 treasurer

Vote taken: The changes listed above were approved unanimously by the board.

Meeting Adjourned