

12 Oct 2022

IWMSC Board Meeting

1. Meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. Participants included:

- Wes Bratton
- Paige Beuhler
- Michael Hamm
- Sean Murphy
- Dave Cabrey
- Glenn Mabile
- Gloria Waggoner
- Margaret Hair
- Howard Burns
- Brian Johnson
- Matt Bronson
- Rebecca Nourse

Tony Preston, Rob Heath, and Lynn Reilly were not present.

2. Previous Meeting Minutes/Treasurer Report

Wes advised the LMSC has over \$18K in bank....better than the \$15K at this time last year.

3. USMS Annual Meeting -- Paige summarized USMS's action in increasing annual fees in the coming year -- going up to \$65 (early registration) /\$70 per year for both team and individual registrations.

4. 2023 Registration – the LMSC will reach out to ensure all local teams are registered.

5. 2023 Budget Review/Approval

The group discussed local efforts in support of Adult Learn to Swim (ALTS). Some hope to improve advertising for Cd'A's Kroc Center events, but noted low staffing and turnover tend to limit marketing efforts there. Gloria expressed interest to help anyone in the LMSC in supporting their events.

Mike Hamm is working to develop Cd'A's master event calendar, noting they typically shoot for both a fall and spring ALTS activities. Some areas have had tremendous success in advertising ALTS, resulting in wait-lists for participants. Paige noted Moscow events are full and asked how to make a request for additional grant funding. Matt noted the club rep(s) should make a request through the IWMSC board, defining their need and providing rationale for the request.

Mike suggested we ought to consider adding a 'scholarship' line item to the budget which might be used in support of a wide array of USMS related requests. The group noted many ALTS programs are longer than the 30 day window associated with USMS grants and that is a problem.

Wes moved to approve the proposed budget as submitted; Howard seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Matt noted the LMSC will continue to cover event sanctioning fees.

6. Paige gave a brief overview of the USMS Relay event, noting timing of the spring event may change. Relay is the workshop element from the USMS annual meeting.. There is a theme each year --club development in 2022, meets/events in 2023. Participants attending Relay learn/share/network....and bring back excitement/action to the LMSC's. The LMSC will decide in an upcoming meeting who to send to the upcoming Relay. Be thinking of candidates. Paige suggested we should plan to send a 'coach' and a 'seasoned' volunteer, and a 'new' volunteer (maybe a 4th?). Paige plans to go as USMS member at large. Our LMSC Top 10 person might be a good person to send.

7. 2023 Elections ---- new chair to take over in spring.

Nominees Rob Heath (current secretary) running for chair

Wes Bratton - treasurer

Michael Hamm - vice chair

Brian Johnson - secretary

8. Upcoming Events

Moses Lake may host pool meet in early 2023 (date of 14 or 22 January ?)

Mike touched on Cd'A events:

Spring Splash to be held earlier in spring --- late February would avoid conflict with USAS champs

Steve Omi open water 16/17 July

26 Aug age group 5k swim/lake crossing target date

Paige noted Moscow will host champ meet....1 April or 25 March (PNS champs date 7/8 April

Spokane might host meet in November....but late notice may suppress participation—this meet may not be a 'go.'

Local officials may want to get USAS certified for open water (Terri Madill notes a PNA rep might teach that element to interested officials....visit with Terri if interested).

USMS Spring Nationals in Irvine end of April.

USMS Summer Nationalsdate?.....slated for Sarasota. Impacted by hurricane? Mike offered to follow up to confirm status of that meet/location.

Lewiston Fazzari meet is a long course opportunity at the end of May. It is often dual sanctioned.

9. Reports

Mike Hamm (coaches chair). He's just back from the national committee meeting in Las Vegas. Several excellent speakers took part including Rowdy Gaines, Dean Hutchison, Dr. G., and the UCLA coach. The group continues efforts to develop and support coaches in the LMSCs.

Sean Murphy (registrar) confirmed there are no paper forms anymore. The LMSC has all that info online.

Paige encouraged event hosts to follow through with needed paperwork.

Matt praised Glenn and Howard's work in supporting KROC masters open water events and wishes to appoint them to the IWMSB Board, including Glenn and Howard in future meetings. There were no objections from the board, and we look forward to Glenn and Howard's ongoing participation.

Rebecca Nourse is the new president of the Spokane Sturgeons---new club. Paiger offered to email Rebecca with 5K/10K info. Rebecca can be reached at 509-385-7789.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30pm.