



SPMS Meeting Minutes	
August 22, 2013	Called to Order: 8:03 PM PDT
<b>Type of meeting</b>	<b>Monthly SPMS Committee Conference Call</b>
<b>Facilitator</b>	Errol Graham - Chair
<b>Minutes</b>	Robin Smith - Secretary
<b>Attendees</b>	Chair – Errol Graham (West Hollywood Aquatics) Vice Chair – Mark Moore (Mission Viejo Nadadores) Treasurer – Bob Eberwine (South Bay Swim Club) Secretary – Robin Smith (Irvine Novaquatics) Member at Large – Jacquie Cole (Long Beach Grunions) Registrar – Dan Wegner Newsletter Editor – Kim Thornton (Irvine Novaquatics) Top Ten Recorder – Kim Thornton (Irvine Novaquatics) Swim Meet Services Coordinator - Trisha Commons (Mission Viejo Nadadores) Marketing Chair – Anita Cole (Long Beach Grunions) Officials Chair - Alina de Armas (Official) Open Water Chair - Tanya MacLean (Irvine Novaquatics) Planning Chair – Lucy Johnson (Long Beach Swim Club) Mary Hull (Southwest Aquatics) – SW Zone Chair Mike Ankeny (Long Beach Grunions) Mike Miranda (Long Beach Grunions) Robert Mitchell (Unattached) Jessica Seaton (West Hollywood Aquatics) Bill Sive (Long Beach Grunions) Dan Stephenson (Rose Bowl Masters) Karin Wegner (Las Vegas Masters) Phil Yoshida (San Luis Obispo Masters)  <i>Note: Persons who announce themselves after all reports have been approved will not be placed on the list of conference call attendees and, therefore, will not receive credit for attending the meeting.</i>
<b>MSP</b>	<b>July 22, 2013 Meeting Minutes – Approved</b>
<b>Officer Reports:</b>	
SPMS Chair: Errol Graham <a href="mailto:chair@SPMasterSwim.org">chair@SPMasterSwim.org</a>	
<p>Errol acknowledged Mark Moore and his team of volunteers for hosting an excellent 2013 USMS Summer Nationals. The feedback received on the event was very positive.</p> <p>Errol reviewed the USMS Convention Agenda and the SPMS delegates present on the call assigned themselves to attend the various committee meetings. The delegate and volunteer shirts have been ordered and, due to timing, will most likely be brought directly to the convention for distribution.</p> <p>Errol requested that delegates review the legislation proposals that will be voted on during the Convention.</p> <p>Legislation Proposals (see link below):  <a href="https://www.clubassistant.com/c/8B6A80C/file/meetings/2013/2013LegislationProposalsInitial-1.pdf">https://www.clubassistant.com/c/8B6A80C/file/meetings/2013/2013LegislationProposalsInitial-1.pdf</a></p>	



SPMS Vice Chair: Mark Moore [vicechair@SPMasterSwim.org](mailto:vicechair@SPMasterSwim.org)

Mark let the committee know that the seating venue for the Social Event on Thursday September 12<sup>th</sup> will be in a room in the hotel this year instead of outside in a parking lot. Food will be provided by the In-N-Out Burger Cookout Trailer. There are still ongoing discussions to finalize the insurance issues between the hotel and In-N-Out.

SPMS Treasurer: Bob Eberwine [treasurer@SPMasterSwim.org](mailto:treasurer@SPMasterSwim.org)

Reports posted on the SPMS website (see links below):

Treasurer's Report

[http://www.spmastersswim.org/c/8B6A80C/file/meetings/2013/20130820\\_Treasurer\\_Report.pdf](http://www.spmastersswim.org/c/8B6A80C/file/meetings/2013/20130820_Treasurer_Report.pdf)

Balance Sheet

[http://www.spmastersswim.org/c/8B6A80C/file/meetings/2013/201307\\_Balance\\_Sheet.pdf](http://www.spmastersswim.org/c/8B6A80C/file/meetings/2013/201307_Balance_Sheet.pdf)

Income Statement

[http://www.spmastersswim.org/c/8B6A80C/file/meetings/2013/201307\\_Income\\_Statement.pdf](http://www.spmastersswim.org/c/8B6A80C/file/meetings/2013/201307_Income_Statement.pdf)

Budget versus Actuals

[http://www.spmastersswim.org/c/8B6A80C/file/meetings/2013/201307\\_Budget\\_vs\\_Actuals.pdf](http://www.spmastersswim.org/c/8B6A80C/file/meetings/2013/201307_Budget_vs_Actuals.pdf)

Bob reported that we have a healthy cash balance (\$141,000+) to date. He pointed out that there will be cash flows out over the next few months to cover the videotaping that was done during the Summer Nationals, ordering awards, and upcoming convention expenses.

SPMS Secretary: Robin Smith [secretary@SPMasterSwim.org](mailto:secretary@SPMasterSwim.org)

Robin continues to work on updates to the SPMS Policies and Procedures.

SPMS Member at Large: Jacquie Cole [memberatlarge@SPMasterSwim.org](mailto:memberatlarge@SPMasterSwim.org)

Jacquie confirmed that the SPMS Annual Meeting will be held at the El Torito Restaurant (3301 Atlantic Avenue) in Long Beach on November 21<sup>st</sup>, 2013. As this is an election year, she reminded everyone that SPMS members can nominate themselves to be placed on the ballot for any of the SPMS Officer positions.

Jacquie is working on new requirements for the SPMS Male and Female Swimmer of the Year. The focus of these 2 awards will now be on swimmers who are inspirational representatives of SPMS in the pool or in open water.

Nominations for the 2 Swimmer of the Year awards and the Jim Marcus and Steve Schofield Awards should be submitted to Jacquie and Errol before October 31, 2013. Currently, the members of the Awards Committee include Errol Graham, Jacquie Cole, Christine Maki, and Trisha Commons. If anyone is interested in volunteering for the Awards Committee, please contact Jacquie Cole ([memberatlarge@SPMasterSwim.org](mailto:memberatlarge@SPMasterSwim.org)).

## Contractor Reports

SPMS Registrar: Dan Wegner [registrar@SPMasterSwim.org](mailto:registrar@SPMasterSwim.org)

Report posted on the SPMS website (see link below):

[http://www.spmastersswim.org/c/8B6A80C/file/meetings/2013/20130822\\_Registrar\\_Report.pdf](http://www.spmastersswim.org/c/8B6A80C/file/meetings/2013/20130822_Registrar_Report.pdf)

Dan reported that we are now up to 100 clubs – an all time high.

He has placed the orders for the SPMS logo caps and the SPMS logo shirts for convention.



SPMS Newsletter Editor: Kim Thornton [newsletter@SPMasterSwim.org](mailto:newsletter@SPMasterSwim.org)

Kim is finalizing the September/October 2013 Newsletter. The USMS 2013 Summer Nationals will be featured. Articles will cover the records set by the 360+ age group relays and a “behind-the-scenes” look at the volunteers that worked many hours to put the national meet together. She is looking for still photos from the meet to use in the newsletter. Currently she only has access to the videos.

SPMS Top Ten Recorder: Kim Thornton [topten@SPMasterSwim.org](mailto:topten@SPMasterSwim.org)

Report posted on the SPMS website (see link below):

[http://www.spmastersswim.org/c/8B6A80C/file/meetings/2013/20130822\\_Top\\_Ten\\_Recorder\\_Report.pdf](http://www.spmastersswim.org/c/8B6A80C/file/meetings/2013/20130822_Top_Ten_Recorder_Report.pdf)

Kim reported that there were 82 records set at the USMS Summer Nationals. She is still in the process of verifying them with USMS.

SPMS Swim Meet Services Coordinator: Trisha Commons [swimmeets@SPMasterSwim.org](mailto:swimmeets@SPMasterSwim.org)

No Report.

### **Standing Committee Reports:**

Coaches Committee: Christine Maki [coaches@SPMasterSwim.org](mailto:coaches@SPMasterSwim.org)

Errol reported on behalf of Christine that she was not able to attend the conference call and has no report.

Marketing Committee: Anita Cole [marketing@SPMasterSwim.org](mailto:marketing@SPMasterSwim.org)

Anita has been contacting college coaches regarding having their swimmers join a Masters Club during the winter holidays and summer break so that they can continue training. She received feedback regarding the added expense of USMS membership being a financial challenge for many college swimmers.

There was discussion regarding USA-Swimming Club Membership versus USMS Club Membership costs and the possibility of SPMS potentially offering a reduced USMS membership for college swimmers in the future.

Anita said that Dan had ordered 333 white swim caps with the SPMS logo. She would like to be able to order more swim caps next year, including some in neon colors or other colors for both pool and open water swimmers. Anita will send a proposal for the swim caps to Bob to include in the budget for next year.

Robert asked if it would be possible for the local newspapers/media to report on the upcoming USAS Annual Convention next month in Anaheim. Anita will look into this.

Meet Operations: Mark Moore [vicechair@SPMasterSwim.org](mailto:vicechair@SPMasterSwim.org)

Mark is working on the 2014 swim meet calendar. The reoccurring meet hosts will have the first option for dates. A tentative meet schedule will be posted on the website soon.

The Meet Operations Committee met to finalize the draft guidelines for meet hosts and meet administrators. Mark requested that everyone should review the draft guidelines which are posted on the SPMS website and get back to him with any questions or issues.

Draft Meet Host Requirements (see link below):

[http://www.spmastersswim.org/c/8B6A80C/file/meetings/2013/SPMS\\_Information\\_Meet\\_Host\\_Requirements.pdf](http://www.spmastersswim.org/c/8B6A80C/file/meetings/2013/SPMS_Information_Meet_Host_Requirements.pdf)

Draft Meet Administrator Guidelines (see link below):

[http://www.spmastersswim.org/c/8B6A80C/file/meetings/2013/SPMS\\_Meet\\_Administrator\\_Guidelines.pdf](http://www.spmastersswim.org/c/8B6A80C/file/meetings/2013/SPMS_Meet_Administrator_Guidelines.pdf)



There was discussion regarding the meet evaluations that Trish reviews on the monthly conference calls. Mark said that the meet hosts are forwarded the meet evaluations before and after their meet.

**Officials Committee:** Alina de Armas [officials@SPMasterSwim.org](mailto:officials@SPMasterSwim.org)

Alina reported that there was an excellent turnout by local officials at the USMS Summer Nationals and that all of the officials were thrilled with the “thank you goodies” they received. She has identified officials for the following upcoming meets: Bakersfield (Sep 29<sup>th</sup>), Mission Viejo (Oct 6<sup>th</sup>), Santa Clarita (Nov 10<sup>th</sup>), and the SPMS SCM Championships in Commerce (Dec 6<sup>th</sup> to 8<sup>th</sup>).

**Open Water Committee:** Tanya MacLean [openwater@SPMasterSwim.org](mailto:openwater@SPMasterSwim.org)

Tanya reported that the conditions for the USMS National Open Water Championships at Dana Point were great. There were some reports of hypothermia but there were no serious injuries during the event.

She reminded everyone that the Don Burns Open Water swim in Corona del Mar is scheduled for Saturday August 24<sup>th</sup>. She and Trisha will be in attendance.

It was mentioned that the Naples OW Swims have been postponed this year.

**Planning Committee:** Lucy Johnson [lucyj6@mac.com](mailto:lucyj6@mac.com)

No Report.

**Sports Medicine Committee:** Ben Lovelace [lovelace.ben@gmail.com](mailto:lovelace.ben@gmail.com)

Errol reported on behalf of Ben that he was not able to attend the conference call and has no report.

**Webmaster:** Dan Wegner [registrar@SPMasterSwim.org](mailto:registrar@SPMasterSwim.org)

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Dan investigated the recent problem with emails to spma.net addresses being kicked back and reported that the issue is with the spma.net server which is hosted by USMS. He has tested changing the email addresses to SPMasterSwim.org and will proceed with changing over the email addresses from spma.net to SPMasterSwim.org. He asked the committee to please call him or text him if the emails to the Registrar or others continue to be kicked back during or after this transition.

**-MSP – Approved all Committee Reports.**

## **OLD BUSINESS**

**Belmont Plaza Pool:**

Lucy reported earlier in the meeting that the construction on the temporary outdoor pool has started with the deconstruction of the parking lot. Construction will need to be completed within 85 days (October 31<sup>st</sup>). The pool will later be repurposed as a permanent outdoor pool (53 meters by 25 meters).

The Project Manager for the proposed indoor permanent pool will be selected by bid shortly, followed by selection of the Construction Manager and the Design Team through separate bids. The plans are still going through review and approval by the planning commission and the coastal commission including environmental impact assessments. There has apparently been lots of interest in this project from major development firms around the country (outside of California).



## **NEW BUSINESS**

Scholarships for USMS Coaches Certification Workshops at USAS Convention:

There was discussion regarding the possibility of offering scholarships to SPMS members who are participating in the USMS Coaches Certification Workshops at the Convention next month. These are currently scheduled to be held on Wednesday September 11<sup>th</sup>, 2013.

**MSP – To offer the following Scholarships for interested SPMS Members who are registered for the USMS Coaching Certification Workshops being offered at the USAS Convention in Anaheim on September 11<sup>th</sup>, 2013:**

**Level 1 and Level 2 - \$50 Scholarships**

**Level 3 - \$75 Scholarships**

**Next conference call meeting will be held on Thursday, September 19, 2013 at 8:00 PM**

**Meeting Adjourned: 9:24 PM PDT**