



SPMS Monthly Minutes

Date: Thursday, February 16, 2023

Meeting Called to Order: 7:33 pm, PST
Facilitator: Robin Smith (Vice-Chair)
Recorder: Diana Dolan LaMar (Secretary)

1. Roll Call to Take Attendance

Executive Committee, Contractors, and Committee Chair Attendees (8):

Vice-Chair - Robin Smith (Novaquatics Masters); Treasurer - Kris McPeak (Silver Peak Performance); Secretary – Diana Dolan LaMar (Mission Viejo Masters); History and Archives Chair - Robert Mitchell (Mission Viejo Masters); Competitive Postal Events Results - David Johanssen (Santa Barbara Masters); Fitness Chair - Mary Jurey (UCLA Masters); Diversity & Inclusion Chair - Virgil Chancy (Unattached); Open Water Chair – Christie Ciraulo (Unattached).

Absent (8) Chair – Kenny Brisbin (Long Beach Grunions); Member at Large/Awards Chair – Becky Cleavenger (Conejo Valley Masters); Officials Chair - Alina Perez de Armas (Mission Viejo Masters); Membership Coordinator and Top-Ten Recorder – Judi Divan (Mission Viejo Masters); Marketing/Program Development Chair - Anita Cole (Long Beach Grunions); Coaches Chair – Charles McPeak (Silver Peak Performance); Zone Chair and Sports Medicine Chair - Arlette Godges (Santa Barbara Masters); Newsletter – Jorge Ferrero (Unattached).

SPMS Member Attendees (18): Omar de Armas (Mission Viejo Masters); Barbara Moore Barnett (Mission Viejo Masters); Michael Heather (Mission Viejo Masters); Bart Parnes (Long Beach Grunions); Errol Graham (West Hollywood Aquatics); Bill Sive (Swim With Long Beach); Ralph Porrazza (Rose Bowl Masters); Cory Nguyen (Orange County Riptides); Todd MacDonald (Different Strokes II); Maria Teresa Frias (Golden Road Aquatics); Beata Konopka (Conejo Valley Masters); Nancy Kirkpatrick-Reno (Conejo Valley Masters); Lucila Davies (La Mirada Masters); Bob Eberwine (South Bay Masters); A Shaun Hicks (Unattached); Mary Hull (Unattached); Lynn Fahey (Southern California Aquatics); Brandon Franklin (Southern California Aquatics);

Total attendance – **26 members**

2. Approve Minutes: Approve minutes from Thursday, January 19, 2023, meeting. **MSP**

3. Standing Agenda

Executive Committee Reports:

- Chair: [Kenny Brisbin](#) – No Report
- Vice Chair: [Robin Smith](#) – Report Posted.
https://www.spmastersswim.org/c/8B6A80C/file/meetings/2023/20230216_SPMS_ViceChair_Report.pdf
- Secretary: [Diana Dolan LaMar](#) – Report Posted.
https://www.spmastersswim.org/c/8B6A80C/file/meetings/2023/20230216_SPMS_Secretary_Report.pdf
https://www.spmastersswim.org/c/8B6A80C/file/meetings/2023/20230216_SPMS_Survey_Committee.pdf



Question regarding \$1,500 grant from SPMS for meet hosts. Clarification: it is \$1,500 per day for a meet – i.e.: a three-day meet receives a grant of \$4,500.

Robert Mitchell made a motion to have SPMS Committee members who are eligible to be reimbursed for the registration fees for championship meets should be reimbursed the amount they paid for their entry fee, including late fees. Reimbursement receipts submitted must be the USMS email/confirmation. **MSP**. David Johanssen abstained.

- Treasurer: **Kris McPeak** – Reports posted.
https://www.spmasterswim.org/c/8B6A80C/file/meetings/2023/20230216_SPMS_Treasurer_Report.pdf
https://www.spmasterswim.org/c/8B6A80C/file/meetings/2023/20230216_January_2023_Balance_Sheet.pdf
https://www.spmasterswim.org/c/8B6A80C/file/meetings/2023/20230216_January_2023_Income_Statement.pdf
https://www.spmasterswim.org/c/8B6A80C/file/meetings/2023/20230216_January_2023_BudgetvsActuals.pdf
https://www.spmasterswim.org/c/8B6A80C/file/meetings/2023/20230216_SPMS_Approved_Budget_2023.pdf

Grant Request Icon removed from website because SPMS clubs receive a \$1,500 stipend to assist with hosting meets.

- Member at Large: **Becky Cleavenger** – No report.

Contractor Reports:

- Membership Coordinator: **Judi Divan**. Report posted.
https://www.spmasterswim.org/c/8B6A80C/file/meetings/2023/20230216_SPMS_Membership_Coordinator_Report.pdf
- Membership is a little low for this time of year but should pick up with upcoming Nationals in Irvine.
- Top-Ten: **Judi Divan**. Report posted.
https://www.spmasterswim.org/c/8B6A80C/file/meetings/2023/20230216_SPMS_Top_Ten_Report.pdf
- Newsletter Editor: **Jorge Ferrero** – No report. Question regarding articles and pictures. Send articles and pictures to Jorge at Newsletter@SPMasterSwim.org

SPMS Committee Reports

- Awards Committee: **Becky Cleavenger**. No report.
- Coaches Committee: **Charles McPeak**. No report.
- Diversity and Inclusion Committee: **Virgil Chancy**. No report. Webinars regarding coaching swimmers with disabilities are available on the USA Swimming website. Will try to post to SPMS website.
- Fitness Committee: **Mary Jurey**. No report. The USMS Fitness Committee will soon have incentives for LMSCs to participate in fitness events. Discussion on how to market. More information in the fall. Incentives to swim 365 miles per year. USMS National Awards Committee is seeking nominations for the Ransom J. Arthur Award.
- Finance Committee: **Kris McPeak**. Report Posted.
https://www.spmasterswim.org/c/8B6A80C/file/meetings/2023/20230216_SPMS_Finance_Committee_Report.pdf
Motion to place \$100,000 in a CD or other account that earns at least \$4.5% interest. **MSP**



Motion to increase current ALTS budget from \$1,000 to \$1,625 to reimburse those who went to recent ALTS training at Mission Viejo. **MSP.**

- History and Archives Committee: **Robert Mitchell**. No report.
- Long Distance & Open Water Committee: **Christie Ciraulo**. Report Posted.
https://www.spmasterswim.org/c/8B6A80C/file/meetings/2023/20230216_SPMS_Open_Water_Committee.pdf

Christie reported that she participated in CA water safety coalition webinar regarding drownings. WOWSA (World Open Water Swim Association) has a four-part coaching session to become an open-water coach which includes tests. Christie will post the link on the SPMS Instagram and website.

- Meet Operations Committee: **Robin Smith**. Report posted.
https://www.spmasterswim.org/c/8B6A80C/file/meetings/2023/20230216_SPMS_ViceChair_Report.pdf

New meets are on the SPMS website.

- Officials Committee: **Alina Perez de Armas**. Omar reported that Alina has been organizing the swim meet personnel. Omar reports there is nothing in the rule book about requesting official timed splits. Splits can be requested at any time during a meet.
- Marketing and Club Development Committee: **Anita Cole**. Report posted.
https://www.spmasterswim.org/c/8B6A80C/file/meetings/2023/20230216_SPMS_Mktg_Report.pdf

David pointed out the \$1,500 grant from SPMS to meet hosts only applies to swim meets, not clinics. Lucila Davies reported that surveys were sent to clubs to determine who the club rep is and to get feedback from Try-Masters swimming in January. Not much positive feedback. It's too cold and not the best time to promote. Best to keep Try-Masters Swimming in July. Anita and Lucila attended the SCPPOA meeting in February.

- Sports Medicine and Science Committee: **Arlette Godges**. No report.

SPMS Assignment Reports:

- Competitive Postal Event Results: **David Johanssen**. Report Posted.
- Webmaster: **Stephen Ingram**. Send reports and information to webmaster@SPMasterSwim.org

USMS Committee Reports:

*Move that the February 16, 2023, SPMS Executive Committee, Contractor, SPMS Committee, SPMS Appointment, and USMS Committee Reports are approved as posted. **MSP***

5. Old Business:

- 09/22/22 – Proposal for new SPMS website/newsletter/social media combination. Tabled.
- 01/19/23 – SPMS Annual Meeting (Robin Smith & Kenny Brisbin)
Need to find a venue somewhere in the northern part of Los Angeles with a classroom that can accommodate 50-75 people. Looking for a committee chair, preferably with a connection to the venue.
- 01/19/23 - March 5th Clinic at Mission Viejo (Robert Mitchell)
Link will be available soon. The cost is \$10 with a credit card surcharge. The flyer is on Facebook.
- 01/19/23 – Updates on Reimbursements (Kris McPeak)
Registration has been processed. Working on eligible event reimbursement

6. New Business

- 02/16/23 – SPMS Clinic for Unattached Swimmers (Mike Collins)



Looking for a venue and persons to host a clinic for the SPMS unattached swimmers.

MSP to adjourn at 8:37 p.m.

Next Meeting – Thursday, March 16, 2023, at 7:30 p.m. via Zoom.