

<b>Committee Name:</b>	Coaches Committee	<b>Session #:</b>	<b>Report #:</b>
<b>Committee Chair:</b>	Bob Jennings	<b>Vice Chair:</b>	Kenny Brisbin
<b>Minutes recorded by:</b>	helen naylor	<b>Date/time of meeting:</b>	February 12, 2019 8pm EST

## Motions Passed:

Scott Bay motioned to keep the presentation of the Coach of the Year at the annual meeting; Trey Taylor seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

<b>Number of committee members present:</b> 13 + 2 ex-officio	<b>Absent:</b> 4	<b>Number of other delegates present:</b> 1 (VP)
<p><b>Committee members present (list all, including chair and vice chair):</b> Chair: Bob Jennings (Dixie), Vice Chair: Kenny Brisbin (Southwest), Ex-Officio Marianne Groening Ex-Officio Steve Hall, VP Skip Thompson (Great Lakes), Scott Bay (Dixie), Chris Campbell (Oceana), David Clark (Great Lakes), Doug Fetchen (Dixie), Terry Heggy (Breadbasket), Molly Hoover (Great Lakes), Chris McPherson (Dixie), helen naylor (Dixie), Trey Taylor (Dixie), Tim Waud (Northwest), Steve Weatherman (Dixie)</p> <p><b>Not present:</b> Ex-Officio: Bill Brenner, Dean Hawks (Great Lakes), Christine Maki (Southwest), Kerry O'Brien (Oceana), Jeff Taylor (Southwest)</p> <p><b>Others present:</b></p>		

## Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 8:02 p.m. Eastern Standard Time

- Welcome**
- Board Meeting Report** – Skip and Chris highlighted items from the most recent board meeting. These included discussion of a standardized LMSC fee. information from the open water task force and that the open water databases is up and running, and that officer elections are coming up this year. Chris also talked about volunteer engagement. The question of membership numbers was asked and although no one knew for sure, it appears we are down 2-3% from this time last year. It appears that retention rate among long term membership remains high. Chris and Skip will look into this and report back next meeting with raw numbers.
- Vote** – See the above motion that passed to keep the presentation of the Coach of the Year award at the Saturday night banquet at convention.
- Subcommittee and Task Force Reports** – Summaries of each committee provided below by the subcommittee chair

**Awards** – Kenny Brisbin. He is checking the links on the website for awards and noted a dead link. He will get to Marianne to fix. Subcommittee might update nomination form as it has no “last updated” date on it.

**Education** – Bob Jennings has asked Bill for areas where blended learning could support the current curriculum. Until we receive that, we are on hold.

**Fitness** – David Clark. Nothing new. Skip noted that the fitness series is now allowing non-members to participate. They will pay \$17 entry fee, as opposed to \$10 for members. The brought up the question of one event fees. It was unclear if the non-members would also have to pay the \$20 (plus LMSC fee) one event membership or not. This raised several additional questions. National Office staff will investigate this, clarify, and report back to us

before the next committee meeting. National office also wants to extend the time frame for each fitness event from 2 weeks to 1 month, but this will not go into effect until next year.

**High Performance Camp** Steve Weatherman. Hill Carrow is finalizing coaches. Steven noted that Hill would like the same support from USMS as it is giving to the USA Adult high performance camp in Colorado that happens in the fall. Apparently last year, with all the IT changes, all of the information for the camp, including the mentorship program was lost. Bob suggested Hill should call National Office, but Steve mentioned he has, but his calls are not being returned.

**Level 4 Applications** -- helen noted that Level 4 application window opens this Friday. Marianne said she will send out an email Thursday to let all coaches know.

**LMSC Communications** – Molly Hoover. She talked to Kenny Brisbin about what was done last year. She requested and has received the list of current LMSC coaches chairs. She will send them the minutes each month.

**Mentor** -- Chris McPherson. Bill Brenner and Marianne Groening have been helping with the application. She will set up conference call this week for the subcommittee to discuss the criteria, application, etc. Marketing will be via the website, emails and LMSC chairs.

**Publications** – Terry Heggy. He is looking for content and is willing to work with folks to get the article publication ready.

**On Deck Coaching** – David Clark. Little early, but will be getting the sign up genius set up for that soon. He will also include time slots for the “post-distance events” warm up period. The Championship committee requested that we come up with some warmup options and Bob will be looking into that. Marianne will order shirts when she knows how many we will need.

**Open Water** – helen naylor. OW committee calls are the Sunday following the coaches committee calls. Last month, the bulk of the call was hearing about the OW task force findings. These were just shared with the committee this afternoon and will be discussed in further detail this Sunday. She also gave an update on the open water clinic that the coaches committee and long distance committee will be doing in Knoxville. The hope is to use that curriculum for the basis of an open water module in the new coaches education curriculum.

**Web Workouts** – Molly Hoover. She noted one section was a little behind, but appear to be caught up now. Everything else running smoothly. She will continue to monitor.

**2019 FINA World Championships** – Tim Waud. Tim announced that the subcommittee selected Howard Lee to be the head coach for the 2019 FINA world championships. He is an oncologist at Stanford and is fluent in Korean. His selection has been announced on the USMS 2019 Worlds facebook page and website. The committee also selected an assistant coach, if we have enough entries to need a second coach. The subcommittee has a plan for an overbudget request should that come to fruition. Tim is mentoring Dr. Lee and sharing past reports from previous head coaches. Skip mentioned that Dr. Lee’s selection was also announced at the most recent Board meeting and all were pleased he speaks Korean.

5. **Old Business** - None

6. **New Business** – Chris Campbell encouraged participation in the fitness series.

The Coaches Committee will hold their meetings on the second Monday of each month at 8pm (Eastern)

The meeting was adjourned at 8:53 p.m. Eastern Standard Time.