



Executive Meeting Minutes July 13, 2022

Attending: Chris Nolte, Susan Nolte, Katie Glenn, Nicole Vanderpole

Start: 7:00 pm, Quorum Present

Meeting Notes:

1. Officer Election

- Discussion to nominate Doug Garcia Chair.
- Doug Garcia is selected as Chair of COMSA.
- Chris Nolte will resign as Chair effective at the end of the July 13, 2022 meeting.
- Chris Nolte will serve as the Past Chair beginning at the end of the July 13, 2022 meeting.

2. Treasurer

- Susan Nolte would like to find other volunteers to take over the treasurer/accounting position. She will be looking to be relieved in future months.
- Susan will write up a job description for treasurer
 - Including filings for tax purposes, deadlines for national office USMS
 - Will follow up with Heather Haegadorn regarding Google Doc

Adjourn: 7:28 pm



Monthly Meeting Minutes July 13, 2022

Attending: Chris Nolte, Susan Nolte, Katie Glenn, Nicole Vanderpole, Doug Garcia

Start: 7:30 pm, Quorum Present

Meeting Notes:

1. Chair Election

- Doug Garcia nominated and accepted position as Chair of COMSA
- Chris Nolte resigned as Chair of COMSA at the end of the meeting 8:25pm
- Chris Nolte will become the Past Chair for COMSA

2. Annual Convention September 16-18, 2022 Denver, CO

- Next USMS Convention attendees to be determined
- 4 delegates permitted for COMSA as voting members
 - Doug and Nicole confirmed

3. Swim Across America

- COMSA to make a donation to the Denver swim, August 21, 2022, Sunday morning

4. Long Course Season

- Coaching for Nationals – only 10 CMS swimmers registered for LC nationals so COMSA will not be funding a coach for LC nationals
- Need a minimum number of swimmers (20) for funding a coach
- COMSA will create criteria for coach for SC Nationals
- COMSA currently has 12 clubs and 22 workout groups (under CMS)
- COMSA will reimburse any team for relay fees
- COMSA is incorporating Chris Nolte's April 5, 2022 email regarding coaching criteria for nationals as follows:

All:

With Nationals registration now closed, we have 80 swimmers on CMS going to Nationals. We haven't seen those numbers for several years. In years past COMSA always reimbursed clubs for the cost of relays at Nationals. I want to continue that. I want to see about also funding clubs for sending a coach to Nationals as well. In talking with other LMSC's that have regional clubs similar to us, they fund coaching based on numbers of swimmers attending the events. I would like to propose

something like that for us. If we were to try this we should set a minimum number of swimmers going to Nationals with the club before funding the coach. This is to have a number of relays teams that is worthwhile to have a coach on deck to help coordinate. The number I am thinking is 20 swimmers. At that number I think there is an advantage to have someone on deck handling the relay submissions, finding the swimmers, replacing swimmers, challenging DQ's when needed. I would like to propose that COMSA agree to fund any Club under COMSA interested in sending a coach to Nationals. I see the funding as a stipend to the coach at \$700 for clubs with more than 20 swimmers going to nationals, plus \$10 per swimmer attending the meet. As of today this would amount to a total of \$1,500 to send the coach to Nationals for CMS. If we set it up as a stipend there is no need for receipts. All we would require is the Grant proposal as we already do for relay reimbursement. However we would have to submit 1099's at tax time and the coach would have to report the income.

I would like to see the board approve this as one way to help give back and support membership. This is just one idea of several that I would like to present to the Board shortly, but need to get this in front of the board as soon as we can to support this year's Nationals. I don't see any issue in funding this idea. With the change from local LMSC's setting fees to the National unified fee structure, our funding per member has jumped from \$6 per member to \$12 now. At about 1000 members that is a gain of \$6,000 annually to our reserves. Our reserves have jumped about \$20,000 to about \$80,000 in the last few years. Currently our expenses are mainly centered around the State meet, and sending people to Conventions. I would like to see COMSA start contributing more to the actual membership beyond just the State meet. This proposal as well as others I will present shortly are meant to give back and help support clubs and members in their Masters swimming.

Please review and let's start a discussion on this. I would like to have the board approve by the end of the week is possible so any plans can be made for Nationals. If you have any questions, please let me know.

Thanks
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5. Other News

- Develop ways to expand the reach of COMSA within Colorado and Wyoming
- Katie to develop proposed 2023 Meeting Schedule
- Katie to create Google Group for Executive Board
- Susan to edit Google Group for COMSA Committee Members
- Develop what COMSA will pay for with respect to the 2023 State Meet
 - Susan/Doug to follow up with Eric Nielson with FAST for 2023
- Next Meeting:
 - Oct 4 - Convention Wrap Up, Budget, State Meet
 - Nov 1 - Budget Approval, State Meet, 2023 Schedule
- Chris we thank you for all of your years of service to COMSA. Thank you!

- Doug is going to meet Executive Members for one-on-one meetings to discuss thoughts and ideas for COMSA.

Adjourned at 8:27 pm