

# USMS Convention—Dallas, Texas. 2010

<b>Committee Name:</b> Coaches	<b>Session #:</b> 1	<b>Report #:</b> 5
<b>Committee Chair:</b> Chris Colburn	<b>Vice Chair:</b> Chuck Burr	
<b>Minutes recorded by:</b> Don Mehl	<b>Date/time of meeting:</b> 09/17/2010 10:30 AM	

## Motions Passed:

1. MSA to select 2012 World's Coaches before 2011 USAS Convention.
2. MSA to recommend to the Registration committee to require the name of at least one Masters coach be listed by the LMSC on each Club Registration form annually.
3. MSA to recommend to the Registration Committee a change to the Individual registration form. The form should read, "Masters Coach", as opposed to "I am a Coach".
4. MSA to send to all Masters coaches (through *Streamlines for Coaches* or a later agreed-upon format) a simplified, yet comprehensive explanation of USMS Insurance coverage.

**Number of committee members present:** 15      **Absent:** 12      **Number of other delegates present:** 50

**Committee members present:** Chris Colburn, Dennis Baker, Scott Bay, Lisa Bennett, Bill Brenner, Chris Campbell, Michael Collins, Kristin Gary, Laurie Hug, Katherine Longwell, Don Mehl, Ahelee Sue Osborn, Nadine Day (ex-officio), Mel Goldstein (ex officio), Kerry O'Brien (ex-officio)

## Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 10:30 AM.

Kerry O'Brien Awards

10 awarded, 3 present, announced at HOD

On-Deck Coaching

Thanks to Scott Bay, Nadine Day, and Craig Keller for their help at National meets. On-Deck coaching continues to be successful.

Online Coaching

Thanks to Chuck Burr for his continued oversight of the Online Coaching and Discussion forums. The sub-committee votes yearly, starting in Nov., to determine which coaches will provide workouts.

Content Contributions for *SWIMMER*, *STREAMLINES*, and *STREAMLINES for Coaches*

Laura Hamel—Coaching articles are most popular of all subjects in online communications. Coaches' contributions are always welcome and encouraged.

Pace Clock Contests and Data Collection from Coaches: Scott Bay provided a summary of data provided from coaches.

LMSC Coaches Chair Subcommittee

SwimFest in San Diego was poorly attended by swimmers, perhaps due to lack of information disseminated to LMSC coaches. Do LMSCs have a coaches chair? Many do not. Many don't want one. Only 15 LMSC's do not have a coaches chair, but all are required to have one.

ASCA Masters Coaches Certification Curriculum

Levels I and II taught at ASCA World Clinic—very successful. Thanks to: Nadine, Scott, Mel, Katherine, Chris, Lisa, Susan, and Frank Marcinkowski. Levels 3, 4, 5 curricula are forthcoming. We would like to determine feasibility of having USMS coaches attend 4 Regional ASCA clinics during 2011 to present the certification course(s). Online self-study course will eventually be available for this certification. \$1.5M in LMSC reserves; LMSCs should invest in their coaches. There was extensive discussion about making coach certification a requirement for USMS coaches.

World Championships--Craig Keller

80% of swimmers wanted to swim with other USMS swimmers in Relays and many want to go to Italy in 2012. Communication was the main problem in coordinating and disseminating information. Facebook can be viewed without membership, but many didn't take advantage of it. FINA had all meet registrations and coaches did not have all that information. Perhaps internal (USMS) registration would help coaches organize swimmers better.

Coaching staff was Craig Keller, Mark Johnston, Cokie Lepinski, and Ed Reed. Suggested that 3-4 hotels be pre-determined before travel to Worlds. Competing as one "team" may be addressed by a subcommittee to determine FINA and USMS rules and recommendations. Kristin Gary volunteered to scout out properties and help with the process as she travels to Italy frequently for work.

Motion to select 2012 Worlds Coaching Staff before 2011 USAS/USMS Convention. MSA.

New/Revised Projects

Next Steps for Curriculum Project

See above discussion about next steps, including online course delivery and development of Levels III – V. It is the combined intent of Club/Coach Development and the Coaches Committee to deliver certification courses at six sites (sites TBA) during 2011.

Hospitality at Nationals

Who benefits and who should pay? On-Deck Coaches and/or coaches who just happen to be attending the event? ASCA and/or USMS certified only? Suggested: based on number of swimmers on the team; additional passes at reduced costs; number of swimmers entered (money available). This discussion will continue, with a recommendation for an improved plan by the end of 2010.

2011 High Performance Clinic: committee involvement and responsibilities

In North Carolina. Budgeted. Asking for volunteers to be Coaches liaison and will need task force for selection. Michael Collins will head up task force for selection of Clinic Coaching staff.

Coach Representation by club in the USMS Registration Database

We need a way to track actual Masters coaches. We want mandatory coaches listing by LMSC's; possibly by being included in the annual Club registration.

MSA: Recommend to Registration that at least one Masters coach be listed by the LMSC on the annual Club Registration form.

MSA: Recommend to Registration a change on the Individual Registration Form. The form should read, "Masters Coach", as opposed to "I am a Coach".

New Business

Coaches' and Athletes' Needs On-Deck—mobile device application

Task Force will request requirements from coaches to determine what they would like to help them do their job. Michael Collins will be heading up this task force. Meeting: Friday night (9/17), 9PM at Hospitality Suite, Rm. 2628.

MSA: Send to all Masters coaches a simplification and explanation of all USMS Insurance coverage and which are critical to USMS coaches and members.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:59am.

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