

# USMS Convention — Jacksonville, FL 2014

<b>Committee Name:</b> Dixie Zone	<b>Session #:</b> 1	<b>Report #:</b>
<b>Committee Chair:</b> Matt Hooper (represented by Debbie Cavanaugh)	<b>Vice Chair:</b>	
<b>Minutes recorded by:</b> Lisa Watson	<b>Date/time of meeting:</b>	September 17,2014 10 AM

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## Actions Requiring Approval by the HOD:

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## Motions Passed:

1. MSA to approve Sean Fitzgerald as the Dixie Zone at large candidate to the Board of Directors.
2. MSA to award the 2015 Dixie Zone Championships to the following venues: Clearwater, Florida (SCY); Greenville, SC (LCM); Orlando, Florida (SCM); Chattanooga, Tennessee (Open Water).

<b>Number of committee members present:</b> 39	<b>Absent:</b>	<b>Number of other delegates present:</b>
<b>Committee members present (list all, including chair and vice chair):</b> Debbie Cavanaugh, Lisa Watson, Greta Van Meeteren, George Simon, Patricia Arnold, Ed Saltzman, Don Gilchrist, Jon Blank, Jerry Clark, Bob Jennings, Barb Protzman, Scott Bay, Margie Hutinger, Jack Groselle, Laura Groselle, Allison Ware, Helen Naylor, David Merrill, David Mimm, Meegan Wilson, Nancy Kruko, Meredith Moore, Cheryl Kupan, Joan Campbell, Megan Lasser, Jim Matysek, Richard Garza, Tim Cox, Doug Holmes, Viki Hill, Jenny Craft, Carolyn Moore, Leslie Scott, Diane Bartlett, Marianne Groenings, Pat Baker, Maria Elias-Williams, Sean Fitzgerald, Nate Rudall		

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## Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 10 AM.

1. INTRODUCTION- Debbie Cavanaugh is presiding over this meeting in place of Dixie Zone Chair Matt Hooper , who was unable to attend due to a work conflict. All of the Dixie Zone members introduced themselves.
2. LMSC CHAIR REPORTS- All LMSC Chairs reported on events in their respective LMSCs during the past year. The committee expressed condolences to Margie Hutinger on the passing of her husband Paul Hutinger, long time Dixie Zone swimmer and volunteer.
3. ZONE BOARD OF DIRECTORS ELECTON DISCUSSION. **MSA TO APPROVE SEAN FITZGERALD AS THE DIXIE ZONE AT LARGE CANDIDATE TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS.**
4. DIXIE ZONE 2014 EVENTS
  - A. SCY- Raleigh, NC Jon Blank reported that this meet was held March 29-30, with a good turnout of about 190 swimmers.
  - B. LCM-Tupelo, MS Doug Holmes reported a turnout of about 50 swimmers in Tupelo, birthplace of ELVIS.
  - C. SCM- Sean Fitzgerald reported that this meet will take place on December 13-14 at Georgia Tech in Atlanta, and encouraged everyone to attend. All relays will be offered, as well as the 1500.
  - D. Open Water- Helen Naylor reported about 100 participants in the Chattanooga Rat Race on June 14.
5. DIXIE ZONE 2015 EVENTS
  - A. The following bids were presented: Clearwater, Florida and Nashville, Tennessee for SCY; Greenville, SC for LCM; Orlando, FL for SCM; Chattanooga, Tn for Open Water.
  - B. **MSA TO AWARD THE 2015 DIXIE ZONE CHAMPIONSHIPS TO THE FOLLOWING VENUES: CLEARWATER, FLORIDA-SCY; GREENVILLE, SC-LCM; ORLANDO, FL-SCM; CHATTANOOGA, TN-OPEN WATER.** Dates are as follows: Clearwater- February 14&15; Greenville-July 24-26; Orlando- October 9-11; Open Water- June 13.
6. LMSC STANDARDS REPORTS  
The committee discussed the recent LMSC standards reports. Jerry Clark, a member of the LMSC Development

Committee, encouraged everyone to participate in the various conference calls offered by this committee as a way of sharing ideas.

7. OLD BUSINESS- none
8. NEW BUSINESS
  - A. Debbie thanked the following volunteers for their volunteer service: Barb Protzman- newsletter editor; Ed Saltzman- Records; Andy Dyer- Top Ten; Dick Brewer- website
  - B. Dixie Zone Calendar 2015- Debbie told everyone to be sure to put their 2015 events on the Dixie Zone website as soon as possible.
  - C. Discussion on DZ Championship Order of Events.  
The committee discussed whether or not to mandate a specific order of events for Dixie Zone Championship meets. It was felt that this would be too restrictive for meet directors, since circumstances on pool availability, etc.. can vary.
  - D. Open Water Insurance Issue  
This has become a big challenge for all LMSCs. This issue will be discussed further at the House of Delegates.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:55 AM

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