

## 2020 U.S. Masters Swimming Annual Meeting — Virtual

<b>Committee Name:</b>	Great Lakes Zone	<b>Session #:</b>	
<b>Committee Chair:</b>	Lisa Brown	<b>Vice Chair:</b>	
<b>Minutes recorded by:</b>	Molly Hoover	<b>Date/time of meeting:</b>	9/10/20 8pm EST

### Motions Passed:

1. MSA to commit the remaining funds from GLOWS to an open water event held within the zone in 2021.
2. MSA to have a 12/31/20 deadline for GLOW proposals.
3. MSA to endorse all candidates running for the Great Lakes Zone at large director.

<b>Number of committee members present:</b>	<b>Absent:</b>	<b>Number of other delegates present: 34</b>
<b>Committee members present (list all, including chair and vice chair):</b>		
<b>Committee Members Absent:</b>		

### Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 8:06 EST .

1. Discussion on what to do with the money set aside for GLOW. It has been earmarked for open water, so it should stay there. We have about \$970 in the account. After discussion on possible options, Ann Marshfield made a motion to commit the remaining funds from GLOWS to an open water event held within the zone. CJ Rushman second. Approved.
  - a. CJ Rushman made a motion for a 12/31/2020 deadline for GLOW proposals. Seconded by Ann Marshall. Approved. Lisa will send out a format to all chairs to use for the proposals.
2. Regarding our endorsement of the at large director, Bill Tingley made a motion that the Great Lakes Zone endorse all candidates running for office. Meg Smath second. Approved.
3. LMSC Reports
  - a. Wisconsin – Mary Schneider reporting – In 2020 had 470 members which is a 14% drop. Sent an email to everyone who had not re-registered and only had 1 reply. Hosted 2 short course meters meets, 5 short course yards meet and 1 open water race. Developed a grant program for workout groups/clubs. They have updated some policies and the upcoming annual meeting in October will be held virtually.
  - b. Ohio – Pete Tarnapoll reporting – They are looking to replace Pete and others who have left the LMSC. Looking for someone who will actively work to promote the Ohio LMSC.
  - c. Michigan – Fares Ksebati reporting – 2019 membership was 969, 2020 is 827. Things are behind as far as opening up as a state. The state meet was cancelled, but a highlight was the banquet and swim clinic with Elizabeth Bisel held last year with over 100 people in attendance.
  - d. Lake Erie – Jay DeFinis reporting – 2020 has 456 members, and 36 of those are since March 31. They were extremely disappointed to have to cancel Brogan. Will host the 2022 1 mile national championship in Cleveland. Spire will host long course nationals in 2021. Issued Covid relief fund to Shaker Sharks to get them back in the pool, \$1053. Ann Marshfield did a great job getting workout groups up and running after Covid. Thank you to Dan Cox for his service to USMS over the last 22 years!
  - e. Kentucky – CJ Rushman reporting – 2019 had 625 members and 2020 has 527 so far. They did get their state meet in the first weekend of March. Will be hosting the epostal 5k/10k next year.
  - f. Indiana – J Bayless reporting – They had 1000 members at the end of May, down about 200. There was 1 meet in January at Ball State. They have had 1 Covid relief application turned in.
  - g. Illinois – Tracy Lord reporting – In 2019 they had 2216 members, so far 1860 this year. They had 5 meets at the beginning of 2020, but did have to cancel the state meet. All open waters were also cancelled, including Big Shoulders. They have the matching program for Covid relief with a few clubs applying, however, many clubs are just getting back in the water now so should see more in the near future. They held their election of officers virtually in June and have a new treasurer, Liz Sands.
  - h. Allegheny – Mike Kristufek reporting – In 2019 they had 381 members, and so far they have 385 this year. Mike organized 2 meets and there was a member meeting in January where 35 people attended. They have been working together to find water for clubs and teams.

4. Congrats to our Ransom Arthur winner on the call: Skip Thompson! Skip wants to thank everyone in the zone that has worked with him, and to Nadine for handing the process. There were 11 people nominated, and Skip really appreciates this award.
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#### Tasks for the Upcoming Year

1. LMSC's interested in hosting an open water event and using the GLOW money should submit a proposal to Lisa Brown by 12/31.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:02 EST

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