

**U.S. Masters Swimming MT LMSC 3/1/2020**  
**Annual meeting Sunday, March 1 Bozeman City Pool**

<p><b>Number of committee members present: 6</b></p> <p><b>Dick Weber Vice President</b>  <b>Edie VanBuskirk Secretary</b>  <b>Mark Johnston (FLOWS)</b>  <b>Brady Baughman (MMMT)</b>  <b>Marcie Bachman (KATS)</b>  <b>Phillip Luebke Records</b></p>	<p><b>Absent: 6</b></p> <p><b>Donn Livoni President</b>  <b>Jeanne Ensign Treasurer</b>  <b>Sue Falsey ex-officio:</b>  <b>Audrey Wooding (BOZE) ex-officio:</b>  <b>Janelle Munson-McGee,</b>  <b>Peggy Stringer (BSMT)</b></p>	<p><b>Number of others present: 6</b></p> <p><b>Anne Weber Hamilton</b>  <b>John Cole Kalispell</b>  <b>Jake Querciagrossa Butte</b>  <b>Patrick Murtagh Billings</b>  <b>Paul Grigsby Boseman</b>  <b>Ed Rose Ronan</b></p>
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**Minutes:**

This meeting was called to order at 8:30 am

1. Welcome
2. Dick recognized the meeting did not follow the bylaws. Thoughts on changing the bylaws to add some flexibility on certain issues.
3. Minutes attached from last meeting but have already been approved by the board.
4. Treasurer's report - 2020 approved budget, balance sheet, and the profit and loss budget versus actual were attached. If you have questions please direct them to Jeanne directly. Budget has been approved by the board.
5. Coaches clinic deadline is April 1st. We need to have at least 10 members to host it. We are not sure of the numbers signed up so far.
6. Phillip handed out graphs of the membership in Montana which showed a decline in membership. Discussion of reasons why this happens.
  - a. **Communication** is still not what it should be to reach everyone.
  - b. Ask new members what they would like to see or need from the membership.
  - c. Cancelling of last year's state meet was a factor.
  - d. Word is not out for all the swim meets that happened this past year.
  - e. Why is there a one event option? Swimmers don't need to belong if they can join for one day. Is this something we want to continue?
  - f. Can we send someone to the USS meeting in May and come up with a list of meets that can be dual sanctioned? Get the list to the members as soon as possible so they can plan for the following year. Brady mentioned he would be at the meeting so he would be a representative for us. We need to give him some guidelines on what to ask for.
  - g. If we go to help out with the USS swim meets maybe they will help out with ours?
  - h. State meet in Missoula next year????
    - i. If so we need to get on scheduling the date, order of events, and lock in the Griz pool

Continue with rotating events. Let the new director who is hosting the meet understand what order the events should be run

ii. HS state meet will be second weekend in February

i. How can we breathe new energy into our LMSC?

7. Lake Como Open Water – July 25

8. Tried to do a Pentathlon but it did not happen.

**Again if we can set up a meet schedule at the May meeting it would be helpful.**

9. Open water events. If your club wants to sponsor one - let Donn know.

10. Postal events as a fundraiser for your club. Mark mentioned it is 2 years out to host. It is electronic but you would need to figure out the cost for shirts and postage. Otherwise it is pretty easy.

11. Kudos to Bozeman for hosting an amazing state championship meet. All their hard work and dedication paid off!! Charlotte amazed us all and continued on her world record run.

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8. Adjournment at 9:05 am