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Montana LMSC Board Meeting

Chair: Jeanne Ensign

Minutes Recorded By: Karen LeFebre

**Attendees**: Jeanne Ensign, Chair; Mark Brooke, Vice Chair; Karen LeFebre, Secretary; Donn Livoni, Immediate Past Chair; Bill Hughes; Club Rep BSMT; Sue Harkin, Club Rep BOZE; Gayle Phillips, Membership Coordinator; Susan Huckeby, Officials; Josh Huckaby, Top Ten Recorder; Annie Kirklin, Webmaster

Absent: Paul Landes, Coaches Chair

The Chair called the meeting to order at 7 pm MDT on June 10, 2024, via Zoom video conference call, a quorum was present.

- A. Approved April 6, 2024, Board meeting minutes.
- B. Approved treasurer's financial report, which included the profit and loss budget, balance sheet, and the final budget for 2024 SCY Championships meet.
- C. Jeanne announced dates and locations for the USMS Annual Meeting (9/13-15 Virtual), Relay 2024 (Oct 18-20 in Houston), and National Coaches Clinic (Oct 18-20 in Houston).
  Jeanne asked if anyone wanted to attend the National Coaches Clinic or the Annual Meeting. The LMSC can apply for assistance from the NW Zone. June 26<sup>th</sup> is the last date one can ask for funding for the Coaches Clinic. It is \$325 per registrant for the clinic and \$150 room rate not including taxes or fees.
  Karen expressed an interest in attending.
- D. Is going to the USMS Convention or Relay 2024 worthwhile? Yes, it is. We learn more about how the USMS organization benefits us in Montana. Another takeaway is what we can apply to our teams. Since we do not have enough people and volunteers within our LMSC, then truly what we learn at these events is up to us on how we apply these ideas to our own teams.
- E. Legislative Proposals There are several legislative proposals that the House of Delegates HOD will vote on. One issue brought up by Oregon Masters (under rule 506.4) is whether to allow participation from the USMS membership during the Board of Directors BOD meetings. It was mentioned by Susan and Karen that to maintain transparency between the BOD and the membership, then these meetings should be open to all members. PNW is proposing that all annual meetings be in person.
- F. The Board discussed pool possibilities for the 2025 Montana State meet. Great Falls, Polson, and Butte were briefly discussed. Great Falls will have a new pool opening in September 2024. The pool will be owned by Great Falls and will be a fantastic future resource. If the state meet is held prior to April 2, 2025, participants can use their times for Spring Nationals qualifying times. Susan gave us open dates as she identified open dates when USA-Swimming does not have swim meets. The following date is wide open with no other conflicts with USA-swimming: March 22-23, 2025.
- G. Board Updates: Gayle reported that the LMSC membership is currently at 175 members, 64 men and 111women; 96 BSMT; 52 BOZE; 27 UNAT.; Josh- No report; Sue reported that the City of Bozeman continues repair on the Swim Center, and therefore, pool time is limited, Bogert Swim Pool, an outdoor pool, will be open until possibly November. Bill No report; Karen- No report.

The next LMSC meeting will be held Monday, September 9th at 7pm MDT. Meeting adjourned at 8:02 pm.