



MAINE SWIMMING, INC. | Finance Committee - Meeting Minutes

Date: January 9, 2022, 6:00 PM

Location: Zoom

MISSION | Create opportunities and provide resources to promote excellence in Maine swimming.

VISION | Maine Swimming: You CAN get there from here!

CORE VALUES | Sportsmanship. Excellence. Leadership. Fun.

✓ Taylor Rogers <i>General Chair</i>	Mission Statement, Vision Statement, & Core Values read.
Brian Savage <i>Administrative Vice-Chair</i>	Meeting Minutes:
✓ Holly Hatch <i>Finance Vice-Chair</i>	Motion to approve meeting minutes from 11/7/2021 by Olivia, second by Steven – no discussion All in favor, motion passes unanimously
✓ Stacy Kennard <i>Treasurer</i>	Budget Review:
✓ Olivia Tighe <i>Athlete</i>	We have exceeded the number of memberships we had budgeted for the year, which is encouraging news; we had budgeted for a \$55,210 deficit for the year but as of right now we have a gain of around \$9,500 (only 5 months into the year with most bigger events yet to happen); no applications received for Community Outreach; not many athlete reimbursement requests made
✓ Steven Johnston <i>Athlete</i>	Safe Sport Incentives:
✓ Jim Willis ✓	Motion by Jim to continue \$250 incentive for renewing Safe Sport every two years, second by Taylor – Discussion: important for club and LSC to keep safe sport up to date, same amount of work to renew as to set up originally All in favor, motion passes unanimously
✓ Mary Ellen Tynan	Brendan Hanson Clinic:
Guest:	Brendan is booked, bringing 2 helpers with him, sign-ups are open with 25 signed up to date – 100 is max, will open to YMCA only and New England swimmers on Friday if not full. Brendan is donating his time, no fee.
✓ Paul Monyok (6:13PM)	Motion to invite Outreach swimmers to attend the clinic at no cost to them, second by Stacy – Discussion: How many Outreach swimmers do we have currently? None currently enrolled Motion passes, with one abstention by Olivia
	Motion by Mary Ellen to give athletes that volunteer on committees a reduced rate of \$50 to attend Brendan Hanson Clinic, second by Taylor; Discussion: What about athletes that are on the committee but don't attend? Maybe this will motivate them to be more involved
	Motion amended by Jim to offer it to the athletes who volunteer on committees to attend Brendan Hanson Clinic for no cost, second by Stacy
	Motion to amend passes unanimously
	Motion as amended passes unanimously

Memberships for Board of Directors:

Motion by Mary Ellen that members of the Board of Directors and Committees have their USA membership fees covered by Maine Swimming if they have no other reason to register for USA swimming, second by Jim

Discussion: Will this be lined up with the policy in place that would require 6 months of service? Yes. Does not include coaches/coaches assistants who have to register for USA swimming anyway.

Motion passes, with one abstention by Olivia

LRSC Reimbursement:

Reimbursement to LRSC to pay for 2 Meet Marshalls who paid for background screenings before the rules changed and they no longer need background screenings to be Meet Marshalls per USA Swimming

Motion by Stacy to reimburse LRSC \$76 (\$38 each) for background screening fees for 2 parents who paid fees, second by Jim

Discussion: Shouldn't USA Swimming pay it since they changed their requirements? Not worth it for \$76

All in favor, motion passes unanimously

Athletes Notebooks:

We have around 45 notebooks left over from the Athlete Leadership Summit 2021, what should we do with them? Hand them out to the coaches at the Brendan Hansen Clinic to have something to write notes in.

Elizabeth Beisel Signed Books:

9 books still remain, what should we do with them? Give them out to high point winners at Winter Champs? Maybe have athletes write in about community service projects they are working on and raffle them off to those that write in? Will confirm how many we have and come back to this next meeting.

USA Swimming Workshop:

Formerly known as Zone Workshop, happens in April in Denver; Mary Ellen Tynan, Zac Mullin, Jim Willis, Taylor Rogers, & Matt Montgomery have airfare left over that is not transferrable (only good for 2 years and coming up to expiration date); meeting is geared towards registration, new coach certification program, DEI, LSC leaders, athletes; Ali Bragg and Ethan Schulz have both expressed interest in going; hotels are booked

Motion by Taylor to send both Junior and Senior athlete reps (Ali Bragg & Ethan Schulz) to USA Swimming Workshop, second by Stacy

All in favor, motion passes unanimously

Motion by Mary Ellen that both Taylor Rogers and Mary Ellen Tynan attend USA Swimming Workshop, second by Steven (other attendees to be decided at a later date)

Motion passes, with two abstentions by Taylor and Mary Ellen

Winter Champs Location:

Should we keep Winter Champs at UMO or move it to LRSC? UMO has given us information on their COVID protocol which is relatively strict (vaccination card or negative COVID test within 72 hours required for entry); cost for lifeguards has increased this year to \$16 per hour at UMO; 2 years ago it was \$21,000 to rent UMO – it will increase this year though we don't have a firm number yet; USA registered swimmer numbers are down from 1000 to around 600; we have around 386 kids qualified for Winter Champs at this time with only 48 being 10 and under and 90 for 12 and under, numbers at last Winter Champs (pre-COVID) were around 320 for 13 and up swimmers, and 220 to 250 for 12 and under swimmers; at TPC meeting they decided they wanted the meet to take place all at one location this year; UMO fees were covered in the past by swimmers surcharge, spectators attendance, heat sheets or programs, and apparel; not sure if spectators will be allowed at UMO or LRSC – UMO if allowed most likely will be in the field house not on deck; no other pool rentals available besides UMO or LRSC for Winter Champs this year; Brendan Hansen Clinic could offset some of the Winter Champs fees; we should look at new ways to raise money: raffle, increasing swimmer participation fees, 50/50; UMO will likely cost us \$10,000 to \$15,000, and LRSC will likely cost us a few thousand out of pocket; protocol could change between now and March; LRSC is more flexible with COVID testing protocol; UMO video system is really good, Bath would need an upgrade to support viewing for championships, especially if spectators are limited; hotel blocks will be held in both Bath and Bangor for meet staff; t-shirts sales: vendor would like to be on site, 30% revenue back to ME Swimming from sales; awards will be given out this year (trophies and medals) as well as bag tags; loosen cut times to increase number of swimmers? Leave it to TPC;

Motion to recommend to the Technical Planning Committee that LRSC be the location of the Winter Champs meet for 2022 by Taylor, second by Steven
Discussion: Reasons? Financially better decision, more leeway with COVID testing
Motion opposed by Jim & Stacy, Mary Ellen & Olivia abstained, motion did not pass with majority vote

Motion to make no recommendation to Technical Planning Committee on location of Winter Champs 2022 by Taylor, second by Steven

All in favor, motion passes unanimously

Motion to increase swimmer participation fee to \$25 per swimmer for 2022 Winter Champs meet by Mary Ellen, second by Jim – Discussion: What was fee before? \$15 - Will splash fees remain the same or increase as well? Splash fees should increase as well, will do separately

All in favor, motion passes unanimously

Next meeting is February 6th, at 6:30 PM

Motion to adjourn by Taylor, second by Steven at 8:10 PM

All in favor, motion passes unanimously

	Respectfully submitted, Stacy Kennard Treasurer
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