

OMS March 2020 Board Meeting — Teleconference

Committee Name:	Oregon Masters Swimming	Session #:	n/a
Committee Chair:	Tim Waud	Vice Chair:	Robbert van Anandel
Minutes recorded by:	Kristina Franklin	Date/time of meeting:	16 March 2020, 7:00 pm PDT

Actions Items:

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Motions Passed:

1. Via email prior to meeting: For the OMS pool meet and buoy swim hosted by COMA in Bend in May 2020, the meet will bid and run as a two-day pool meet. The entry fee will be \$35.00 per swimmer. OMS will guarantee the host \$15.00 for each entrant and \$700.00 for the two-day meet guarantee. Motion made by Bob Bruce and seconded by Tim Waud.
2. Via email prior to meeting: OMS will pay the processing fee for refunding meet entry fees for cancelled OMS meets. Motion made by Robbert van Anandel and seconded by Kermit Yensen.

Number of board members present: 15 **Absent: 7** **Number of guests present: 0**

Board members present (list all, including chair and vice chair):

Tim Waud (Chair)
Robbert van Anandel (Vice-Chair, Sanctions)
Kristina Franklin (Secretary)
Kermit Yensen (Treasurer)
Alice Zabudsky (AquaMaster Editor)
Bob Bruce (Long Distance)
Christina Fox (Membership)
Colette Crabbe (Fitness)
Matt Miller (Webmaster, Coaches co-chair)
MJ Caswell (Top Ten)
Nancy Vincent (OREG Club Rep)
Sandi Rousseau (USMS Rep)
Sara Shepherd (Awards, Coaches co-chair)
Steve Darnell (Records)
Susie Young (Registrar)

Committee Members Absent:

Barry Fasbender (USMS Rep)
Gary Whitman (Data Manager)
Ginger Pierson (Payments Administrator)
Jacki Allender (Officials)
Jeanna Summers (Souvenirs)
Joy Ward (Safety)
Marlys Cappaert (Program Development)

Summary of OMS Discussions via email

1. Meet cancelations due to COVID-19:
 - a. Oregon City Spring Ahead meet

- b. OMS Association Championship meet. The social has also been cancelled with the hotel, and they have waived charging a cancellation fee due to the unusual circumstances.
2. Refunds for those who have already paid for meet entries. Robbert proposed a motion that OMS will pay the processing fee for cancelled meets, which based on the number of entrants will come out between \$125 to \$150 in total. Kermit seconded. Motion passed unanimously.
3. 2022 Nationals bid- Sandi
 - a. Federal Way is definitely bidding for the 2022 summer nationals, so our bid would be against their bid along with others from around the country. They have decided to bid despite the high rent for the King County Aquatic Center, and the number of warm-up lanes, which has worked against them in their past bids for Spring nationals. The LMSC is aware they may lose money on the event if their bid is accepted, but the LMSC has enough money in the bank they feel they can afford a loss. This willingness may work in their favor as it shows that they have a strong desire to bring nationals to the Northwest. Discussion points:
 - i. Do we want to bid against Federal Way?
 - ii. Federal Way would very likely prevail over Oregon if it comes down to an award of nationals to the Northwest because they have more warm-up lanes
 - iii. We hosted nationals in 2016 and Federal Way last hosted in 2007, i.e. they would be considered more deserving since they have not hosted for 16 years with all other factors considered equal.
 - b. Joy asks, how often do they let the West Coast have a summer nationals meet? If Federal Way were to get it for 2022 would we have to wait another couple of years to bid again? Is there a policy according to the championship committee? Sandi responds that there are no distinct areas of rotation country-wide and USMS encourages bids every year from all over the country as one never knows what bids will come in. USMS does try to rotate areas of the country.
 - c. General consensus is that OMS should wait for our next likely opportunity to bid for summer nationals and allow Federal Way to proceed with their bid without competition from OMS. Sandi suspended our bid.
4. Upcoming meets on the horizon- Bob
 - a. The next OMS events on our schedule are the Wonderful Water Weekend in Bend in mid-May and the Foster Lake Cable Swims in late June. COMA will be watching the situation and assessing our response based on the trajectory of the coronavirus pandemic in Oregon.
 - b. Although the crowd issues are different for the 10-km ePostal rental at Amazon Pool in late-May, we should also watch and assess.
5. COMA meet in Bend SCM or SCY
 - a. Jeanna suggests changing the meet in Bend from SCM to SCY since there have been very few SCY events this year. The SCY season will end on May 31. Swimmers will have all summer to get LCM swims in and all fall for SCM, but a very late SCY season meet after the vast majority of the big meets were canceled this year may lead to a better than average turnout. OMS will host two LCM meets (Bend & Gil Young). For SC meets, besides Bend there is a possibility that the Senior Games in Corvallis in August will be a SCY meet. OMS has not held a SCY meet since the 2019 Association Spring Championships.
 - b. Despite the added complications of changing pool format (SCM on Friday > SCY on Saturday > LCM without lane lines on Sunday > LCM with lane lines later on Sunday > SCM on Monday), Bob has obtained permission from the JSFC staff to make this change to the meet.
 - c. Three voting options were presented:
 - i. SCM (as originally planned)

- ii. SCY (as newly considered)
- iii. No preference

Consensus is option #2, providing that the meet will not need to be cancelled.

Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM.

6. Roll Call
7. Review Agenda-Tim
8. Approve January Meeting Minutes-Kristina
 - a. Sandi moves to approve the minutes and Bob seconds. Minutes approved unanimously.
9. Vice-chair Report-Robbert
 - a. 2020 OMS Association Championship- SCM meet. Refer to email regarding information about the social. Suggestions to make sure the beans are vegetarian, and the tortillas are corn. Kermit moves to approve. Christina seconds. OMS will pay \$5 per meal for attendees, and the \$75 set-up fee which may be waived, blah blah look at notes in c.
 - b. On Saturday, April 4th, the Best Western Hood River is available as a good option. The room is nice with a big screen for \$25 (but we can use our screen for free), and plenty of space for 100 people. Sandi will provide the screen.
 - i. Sandi has negotiated a fajita buffet with tostada, chicken, rice, beans, salsa, guacamole, green salad, and dessert for \$20 per person. This is the same cost as it was in Corvallis. Appetizers were a lot more costly. In Corvallis OMS paid \$5 per person toward the meal and we charged \$15 per person on the entry form. There will be a no host bar with beer and wine.
 - ii. There will also be a 20% gratuity (so assuming 100 people@ \$20 each = \$2000, so gratuity would be \$400. The room set up fee is \$150 unless we have \$2250 or more in charges (including the bar) then it would be reduced by 75%, i.e. \$37.50. If charges are \$1500 or more, set up fee would be reduced by 50%, i.e. \$75. If you assume 100 meals at \$20 each - \$2000, the 20% gratuity = \$400, and the set-up fee would likely be \$75 but could be slightly less.
 - iii. If we charge \$15 per swimmer and OMS picks up the \$5 per swimmer plus gratuity and any set up fee, then OMS would be paying \$500 toward the meals plus \$400 gratuity + set up fee. So around \$1000.
 - c. Matt will create the slide show for the social. Printing the bulletin. And people need to know if they want a heat sheet, they should print their own.
 - d. Robbert should have the meet set up ready for tomorrow. Tim suggests adding information about the backstroke wedges.
 - e. Oregon City Spring Ahead-
 - i. Will not be a dual-sanctioned meet this year because of the new rules around childrens athletics. The meet information is already up and there are already 7 swimmers signed up.
10. Treasurer-Kermit
 - a. January Financials- we paid the Oregon Club the first installment, of \$2280.
11. Long Distance/Open Water-Bob
 - a. Updates for open water events. In 20 days the one-hour postal will be complete. Bob encourages everyone to participate.
12. Awards-Sara
 - a. Sara will send another reminder email about votes. She will send another reminder email for votes. When all the votes are in, Sara will email Alice for the awards banquet bulletin. Sandi suggests that we

make sure the award winner will attend the social. Sara will communicate with the person who nominated the winner to suggest that their nomination should come to the banquet.

13. Ransom Arthur Award Nomination-Sandi

- a. Some discussion about the nominations. Bob is being nominated for this award.

14. OMS Hosting Summer National Championship-Sandi

- a. Tim and Sandi are going to meet with the MH aquatic director to start negotiating with them.

15. Tim had a phone call with past meet directors for National Championships. Snake River is hosting the Western Zone championship the weekend before the Gil young meet. They will pay local groups as a service to volunteer some hours at their meet. Tim will find out more and get back to us next meeting.

16. Sandi about the website- there is not information on the website about cost to join. Also, our minutes are not up-to-date. There are a few people who are still sending in their registration via paper rather than online.

17. Congrats to Coach Tim for coaching the PanAm games!

18. Sandi is not going to be able to attend the USMS convention after Saturday evening.

19. Adjourn at 7:43 pm.