

OMS April 2020 Board Meeting — online Zoom meeting

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:	13 April 2020, 7:00 pm PDT

Actions Items:

1. None noted

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: 14	Absent: 8	Number of guests present: 0
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Board members present (list all, including chair and vice chair):

Robbert van Anandel (Vice-Chair, Sanctions)
Kristina Franklin (Secretary)
Kermit Yensen (Treasurer)
Christina Fox (Membership)
Colette Crabbe (Fitness)
Ginger Pierson (Payments Administrator)
Jacki Allender (Officials)
Jeanna Summers (Souvenirs)
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)
Susie Young (Registrar)

Committee Members Absent:

Tim Waud (Chair)
Alice Zabudsky (AquaMaster Editor)
Barry Fasbender (USMS Rep)
Bob Bruce (Long Distance)
Gary Whitman (Data Manager)
Joy Ward (Safety)
Marlys Cappaert (Program Development)
Steve Darnell (Records)

Summary of OMS Discussions via email

1. Meet cancellations 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 of Zoom meeting

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

1. Roll Call
2. Financials (Kermit)
 - a. Kermit sent out a summary of our financials YTD. We have \$56,000 in the bank. In column Q, Kermit revised our financials based on fewer meets. The meets that have already been cancelled were not included, as well as the Bend meets that are later in the year. The membership numbers were also reduced 25% as an estimate, and therefore, the amount given to the Oregon club was also reduced. Based on these estimates, our estimated net profit for the year would then change from \$10k to \$4k. If we reduce the payment to the Oregon club, we will need a new motion to do that.
 - b. Jacki said the USA swimming is assuming a 20% drop in membership. Susie said we have 950 members right now. We may have as many as 50 swimmers down from typical.
 - c. Susie asks if there are any teams that are struggling to go under, and if we may be able to provide them a financial emergency plan.
 - d. Decreased revenue today means that we may be seeing increased pool rental fees next year. We will want to keep this in mind for next year's budget.
3. Cancellations (Robbert)
 - a. Some open water events have been cancelled, and the Bend meet has been cancelled. Bob is considering postponing the Lake Juniper swim. Applegate Lake has not been cancelled yet. Portland Bridge Swim has been cancelled, as has the Foster Lake swims. Bob is considering one big Elk Lake format like we did before 1997. Still considering what to do about the postal swims at Amazon. Matt has updated the calendar for everything he knows has been cancelled so far. The whole summer season is up in the air at this point.
4. Microsoft Teams (Robbert)
 - a. Robbert talked to Microsoft yesterday and we may have an upgraded nonprofit package from them. We will find out in about 20 days. Hopefully we will be able to use the upgraded features by our next meeting.
 - b. General consensus is that the online Zoom meeting format is preferable over the teleconference format for our meetings.
5. Minute approval (Kristina)
 - a. Sandi moves to approve the minutes. Kermit seconds. Motion passes unanimously.
6. Banners (Sandi)
 - a. What do we do with the awards banners? Can we use the 2020 banners next year? Maybe we can add patches to cover up the "0". General consensus is to reuse the banners and add a patch to turn "2020" into "2021".
7. Meeting adjourned at 7:30