



October 18, 2017; 7 pm conference call

**AGENDA** \*Discussion Item

- I. **Call to Order & Introductions**
- II. **Approval of August meeting minutes (separate attachment)**
- III. **Reports**
  - Executive Committee**
    - Chair**—John King, report \*
    - Treasurer**—Teddy Palmer, report attached
    - Secretary**—Leianne Crittenden, report attached
    - Office Administrator**—Chris Ottati, report \*
    - Schedule**—Steve Cutting, report \*
    - Hospitality**—Marcia Benjamin, no report
  - Pool Meet Committee**—John Morales, no report
    - Meet Operations**—Peter Guadagni, no report
    - Officials**—Mike Abegg, no report
  - Open Water Committee**—Phyllis Quinn, report
  - Communications and Technology**—Bob Anderson, no report
    - Update**—Chris Ottati, report
    - Website**—Caroline Lambert, no report
  - Clubs and Coaches**—Laura Schuster, no report
  - Ad Hoc Committees**—no report
  - Old Business**— no report
  - New Business**— Karen Harris, Bridge to Masters, report attached
  - Club news**—no report

**2017 MEETING DATES:** all dates are tentative: **Nov 12 (Annual Mtg)**

*Working Calendar for October: Adopt Budget; Nominating Committee Report; Approve final Calendar of Events; USMS Convention Review and Reports.*

*Working Calendar for November: Annual Mtg.; Election of Officers; Vote on proposals to change PacMaster by-laws; Call for USMS Officer Nominations.*

*Working Calendar for December: Coach of the Year Nomination*

## **October meeting reports – 10/18/2017**

### **Officer and Committee Reports**

**Meeting policy:** Please provide text to Chris, prior to the meeting, of any items on which you would like the Committee to vote. Re-established 1/18/2012.

#### **Executive Committee**

##### **Chair—John King, report**

• Our November Annual meeting is fast approaching and the committee to plan the event has been hard at work organizing all the moving parts of the event. Several awards are presented at the meeting recognizing the contributions of individuals to Pacific Masters. We have a nomination committee of Nancy Ridout, Michael Moore, and Peter Guadagni who have been working to select the candidates.

☐ • The USAS Convention in Dallas went very well. Pacific had a great group of delegates who were active participants in the House of Delegates as well as various committee meetings. We celebrated Ann Hirsch as an inductee into the International Masters Swimming Hall of Fame, which included a separate toast at a nearby restaurant where we included two additional inductees who spent part of their journey as Pacific Masters swimmers.

• This is an election year and at our Annual Meeting in November we will be holding an election for all of the Pacific Masters Swimming officers. The Nominating committee of Michael Moore, Erik Hektner, and Marcia Benjamin will bring forward the candidates for a vote at our Annual Meeting.

**Treasurer—Teddy Palmer, financial report attached; budget will be present but is not attached at this time. It should be forward on Wednesday morning 10/18.**

**Secretary—Leianne Crittenden, report attached**

**Office Administrator—Chris Ottati, report\***

Registration: 11,733 members; 154 clubs; 483 self-identified coaches have registered for Pacific Masters as of 10/13. In 2016 we had 12,156 members; 153 clubs; 453 self-identified coaches at this time.

Top Ten: LCM Top Ten submitted and accepted.

Records: There were 10 Pacific and 3 USMS/World SCM records broken at the Alan Liu meet.

Swim Events: Pool: SCM champs were cancelled this past weekend due to poor air quality.

OW: I am working on collecting the sanction fees from Santa Cruz and Keller Cove. Santa Cruz is not being responsive.

Registration: Club registration opened on October 1, 2017 for the 2018 year. As of 10/11 we have 51 clubs registered. Fog City Masters had to disband due to lack of pool.

Individual registration will open November 1. There was an article in the 10/16 update about this. I am encouraging our Pacific members to “go green in 2018”. We will, of course, offer to print and mail card to those who want them mailed.

Swimming Saves Lives: \* USMS has asked Pacific to donate some money to SSL for Pacific Teams that were not awarded grants due to lack of funding, not due to merit. I would like to discuss the option of donation \$1 or \$2 per Pacific member for SSL.

**Schedule—Steve Cutting, report\***

Event bids needing approval at the October 18, 2017 meeting:

Event Bid (type)	Bid Received Date	Host	Location	1 <sup>st</sup> Choice Dates	2 <sup>nd</sup> Choice Dates	Comment
PacMasters Championship (LCM)	Sep 7, 2017	San Mateo Masters	College of San Mateo	Fri 7/13 – Sun 7/15	Fri 7/6 – Sun 7/8	PanAM Champs week: 7/28 – 8/4
End of Summer Splash (LCM)	Aug 15, 2017	Davis Aquatic Masters	Woodland HS, Woodland	Sat Aug 4	Sat Aug 11	PanAM Champs week: 7/28 – 8/4. Donner is typically the 2 <sup>nd</sup> weekend in Aug.
The City Mile (SCY)	Sep 25, 2017	Pacific Masters Swimming	City College SF	Sun Feb 25	none	
The Olympic Club 1500M (SCM)	Sep 25, 2017	The Olympic Club	SF	Sun Jan 21	none	
Resolution Meet (SCY)	Sep 27, 2017	Santa Rosa Masters	Santa Rosa JC	Sat Jan 20	none	
Spring Short Course Meet (SCY)	Sep 27, 2017	Rinconada Masters	Rinconada Pool, Palo Alto	Sat Mar 10	Sat Mar 17	
Donner Lake Swim (OW)	Oct 2, 2017	Sierra Nevada Masters	Truckee, CA	Sat Aug 11	Sat Aug 18	
Splash & Dash, Sprint Pentathlon (SCY)	Oct 6, 2017	Albany Armada Aquatic Masters	Richmond Swim Center	Sat Feb 3	Sat Feb 17	

Recommend accepting all '1st choice' dates listed above.

**Hospitality—**Marcia Benjamin, no report

**Pool Meet Committee—**John Morales, no report

**Meet Operations—**Peter Guadagni, no report

**Officials—**Mike Abegg, no report

**Open Water Committee**—Phyllis Quinn, report

Rob Heath is helping me update the Open Water Trailer and the equipment inside. A budget request for this work has been sent to Teddy Palmer.

There are a few new rules that effect Open Water swims. The first is that there will be an online training and test to certify individuals to serve as the Referee for Open water swims. There is also a new rule that allows swimmers to "rest" on fixed objects during a swim without being disqualified. The race directors will have the option to determine which objects the swimmers may rest on.

I would like to schedule a conference call with all the current open water race directors and any other interested parties to discuss the Open water swims and how to improve the administration and operations of the swims.

I am currently working on updating the Pacific Masters Open Water Guide. It will follow the USMS OW guide to operations.

I want to thank Bob Upshaw for all his work on the Open Water Points.

Thank you to all the Open water swim race directors and there volunteers for another successful season.

**Communications and Technology**—Bob Anderson, no report

**Update**—Chris Ottati, report

Since our September meeting three e-newsletters have been sent; Sept. 18, Oct. 2 and Oct. 16. The newsletter was received by approximately 24,000 swimming enthusiasts at an open rate of 22.2%. Our Editor for those first two Updates was Linda Shoenberger and our Editors for the third was Peg Flynn and Linda Hepworth. Peg and Linda will edit the next October Update and Jeremy Cohen and Carol Nip editing the November Update. The Update is supervised by Bob Anderson, VP Communications and Technology.

**Website**—Caroline Lambert, no report

**Clubs and Coaches**—Laura Schuster, no report

**Ad Hoc Committees**—no report

**Old Business**—no report

**New Business**—Karen Harris, Bridge to Masters Interim report

**Club news**—no report