

**Minutes of KY-LMSC Meeting
July 9, 1995
Lakeside Swim Club**

Chairman Bill Tingley called the meeting to order at 12:20 p.m. In attendance were Melinda Schmitt, Tony Ambrose, Joanne Tingley, Meg Smath, Gail O'Malley, Tom Mester, John Graham, and Bob Adams. Meg gave the secretary proxies for John Grant and Denny Hamilton. David Morrow arrived at the end of the meeting.

MINUTES: Addition of John Graham's name to those in attendance at the KY-LMSC meeting held in Bowling Green on January 28, 1995. Motion by Melinda Schmitt to accept the minutes. Second and passed.

TREASURER: Melinda passed copies of the treasurer's report to each delegate. Motion by Joanne to accept the report. Second and passed. See attached. The board decided to leave the savings in the Cash Equivalent Fund (CEF) at Hilliard, Lyons while it earns 5%+.

REGISTRAR: Joanne reported 395 registered swimmers as of this date; the most Kentucky has ever had.

TOP TEN: David had not arrived, so the chair tabled his report until later.

SANCTIONS: A listing of KY-LMSC sanctioned meets was distributed. The date of the 1996 Lakeside LC meet was changed to August 3-4 to avoid a conflict with the PGA Golf Championship to be held in Louisville.

Bill commented on the contact with USMS Legal Counsel regarding the use of the waiver on the Lakeside meet entry form. Executive secretary said it was incorrect and could jeopardize our insurance. Legal Counsel said since the wording was correct as stated in the USMS rule book, even though a portion was not capitalized, this should not jeopardize insurance coverage. Ultimately, the USMS Executive Committee may make a decision.

OFFICIALS: Meg will contact Rob Davis, president of Wildcat Aquatics, to acquire a listing of Kentucky certified swim officials. At a mini-meet, officials need to sign in and state the position they work.

FITNESS: Tom will accept suggestions from Kentucky teams that have fitness programs. Meg stated that legislation was being submitted to add a fitness section to the USMS rule book; she will send a copy to Tom. He said about 70 percent of all Masters swim for fitness only. USMS is trying to set up a procedure where postal meets are bid. Mini-meets are designed for fitness and the first-time competitor. Meg suggested that Kentucky might sponsor a large postal meet as money-maker.

SAFETY COORDINATOR: Joanne had no report.

MINI-MEETS: Tom reported the first mini-meet held as a long course at Lakeside today was a success. Crescent Hill had 14, LOUY 5, and Lakeside 35, for a total of 54 swimmers. Wildcat Masters could not hold one today as there was a diving meet at Lancaster pool. Tom feels the mini-meet will grow as new Masters find this a good way to begin competing and active competitors who enjoy the big meets find a mini-meet relaxing and an opportunity to swim off events and have some fun. Lakeside has offered to hold the SCM mini-meet on October 15. Meg will look into the YMCA 25 meter pool to use that day. WKU has a 25 meter but does not make it available to Masters. Bob Adams said there is a 25 meter pool at a motel in Hopkinsville. Joanne will contact Richard Cohn regarding its use and pool specifications.

It is suggested that mini-meets be scheduled on a Sunday morning. On February 18, 1996, Crescent Hill plans to do a short course mini-meet. Lakeside used semi-automatic timing (i.e., two buttons) with the swimmers timing when not in the water. The charge was \$2 per swimmer, which covers the \$1.50 per swimmer sanction fee, and the balance going to the host club. In the future, a waiver sheet *must* be signed at the time swimmers pay the fee. Tony reminded the board that the LMSC bylaws state that it cannot sponsor a meet, only sanction one. Meg gave Tony copies of the USMS sanction forms so he can produce proper sanction information for mini-meets.

OPEN WATER: Larry Strange was not in attendance. Bill discussed the possibility of an open water meet in Oldham County in September. Several swimmers will be going to the Claremont meet in Ohio. The Kentucky open water swim held at Long Run Park was not recognized by the KY-LMSC, as it was not properly measured for national time recognition.

NEW BUSINESS: Bill announced the two delegates to the 1995 USMS Convention in Houston, Texas, will be Tom Mester and Bob Adams. Meg Smath will attend as Rule Book Chairperson and member of the USMS Board of Directors. Bill and Joanne have been appointed delegates-at-large. During the discussion of financing the delegates, Meg related that USMS will pay half her expenses as a member of the Board of Directors, and Lakeside Masters will pay part of Bill's expenses.

Motion by Tony that all five delegates be covered by the KY-LMSC travel guidelines for all expenses not covered by other sources for the 1995 USMS Convention. Melinda second. Motion passed. The convention convenes on September 20 and adjourns September 14, 1995.

Discussion of any items pertaining to convention. Will USMS agree to the FINA rule, which states a swimmer shall swim the year from January 1 to December 31 in the age group of his/her birthday that year? It is an international rule.

There were no legislative changes suggested for this year. 1996 will be Rules changes and Meg suggested KY-LMSC send in a rule change for relays, that cumulative ages be used for relays on all three course: LCM, SCM, SCY.

The board decided not to recognize the Bluegrass State Games for Masters; just let it be a fun competition.

Motion by Meg that the KY-LMSC will recognize the USS Kentucky State Championship meet, as there will be three registered Masters entered—Jim Grubbs, David Dean, and Abraham Solano—so their times can be accepted by USMS. Tom second. Passed.

Bill stated that Compuserve came online with a Masters section at the request of USMS. It is in the extended service under Health and Fitness. Lots of information there. Bill, Meg, and Bob have e-mail capabilities.

Joanne read into the minutes the report of David Morrow (see attached).

Motion to adjourn by Tony. All second. Passed.

Submitted by Joanne Tingley, secretary

June 10, 1995

KY-LMSC Top 10 Report

- February 8, 1995—Mailed Walt Reid Kentucky's '94-'95 SCM Top 10. This was three days beyond the deadline of 2/5/95.
- February 23, 1995—Received the national preliminary '94-'95 SCM Top 10 and found that Kentucky's times were *not* included. Called Reid, who said he had only received them a day or so before my call. I explained that while we were late, we were not *that* late. We agreed that something went wrong in the mail. Reid said he would include our Top 10 times in the final listing.
- April 26, 1995—Received letter from Reid saying the USMS president had asked him to begin the process of finding and training a person to serve as a new Top 10 Chairman. We are to let Reid know if anyone is interested.
- June 7, 1995—As of this date I have not received a listing of Kentucky LMSC's '95 SCY Top 10. This compilation must be in Reid's hands no later than July 15, 1995.
- June 10, 1995—Provided Meg Smath with a copy of the national '94-'95 SCM Top 10 with Kentucky swimmers highlighted.

Respectfully submitted by David Morrow, KY-LMSC Top 10 Recorder