

MICHIGAN MASTERS ANNUAL MEETING
APRIL 16, 2011
EAST KENTWOOD HIGH SCHOOL
KENTWOOD, MI

Ralph Davis – President – called the meeting to order at 1:31 p.m. He thanked everyone for attending. He thanked Mark Spore for the fine meet and for all the work he had done in making this a great meet. Attendance at this meet was the most ever for a meet held in the Western part of the state.

Mark Spore thanked the officers, as they were very easy to work with and thanked the vendors and all who volunteered to help in anyway with the meet. He was thanked by round of applause

Ralph also stated that our membership was up by 20% and this shows we are growing and this is a good sign. He thanked everyone for making Michigan Masters a wonderful organization.

Ralph recognized all Michigan Masters Past Presidents and handed them each a tee shirt. He asked that the Past Presidents wear the shirt and when we see them, we thank them for all the work they did to make Michigan Masters what it is. Past Presidents were thanked by round of applause

2010 Minutes were distributed.
Denise Brown made a motion to accept the minutes
Sally Guthrie – 2nd –
Motion approved – minutes accepted

TREASURES REPORT was distributed.
Sally Guthrie made a motion to accept
Frank Thompson – 2nd
Motion approved – treasurer's report accepted

There were 2 new line items added to the budget – 1. \$750 for an Awards Banquet
2. \$1500 for a newsletter

WEBMASTER REPORT– Sally Guthrie (new President) – stated that the web page is going well. If we have any suggestions – just e-mail her and she will respond to you. The new newsletter will be a simple 2-3-page newsletter from Michigan Masters. Most of the information will be on the web page
Lois made a motion to accept the report
Frank – 2nd
Motion approved – report accepted

REGISTRATION - Jason Pacyau
Many of the e-mails Jason sends are pre-written from USMS

We currently have 748 members of Michigan Masters – this is just a few less than 2010.

Jason has a customer service background and hopes to bring those skills to his registrar's position. It is his hope that he will be more available to all members. If you have any questions do not hesitate to call or e-mail Jason. If he doesn't know the answer, he will get one for you.

On-line registration for 2011 went fairly well – there were a few quirks. There were not very many paper registrations.

Sally Guthrie made a motion to accept the report

Lois N. 2nd

Report accepted

SANCTIONS REPORT– Frank Thompson (Skip)

Overall attendance at 'bigger' meets was down – however Michigan Masters offered 2 new meets this year.

Entries for 2011 State Meet was about the same as last year

On-line entries for this year's meet dramatically increased – 322 online entries
14 paper entries

In 2010 there were over 100 paper entries.

In order to accommodate the increasing number of people wishing to swim the 1650, 3 heats were swum early on Friday. This enabled more people to swim and session ended at a reasonable time on Friday evening.

More options/improvements will be explored for upcoming State Meets.

19 swimmers represented Michigan at the Short Course Nationals in Mesa, AZ.

Hopefully there will more at Long Course Nationals in Auburn, AL.

STATISTICS FOR 2010

FINA – WORLD TOP 10 - 16 World Records set in 2010

3 World Records set in 2011 (as of this report)

NATIONAL AWARDS - 15 Pool All Americans

5 Long Distance All- Americans

3 Pool All-Stars

36 Relay All-Stars

7 Long Distance All-Stars

Lois N made a motion to accept the report

Ann Ward – 2nd

Report accepted

OFFICIALS – Frank Thompson

Any body – USS, USMS, must approve officials

In the 'bigger' meets – such as State Meet – should have 3 officials

Lake Orient, Haslett and Kentwood where there were over 300 swimmers are examples of 'bigger' meets where 3 officials are needed.

2 officials are enough for the 'smaller' meets.

FITNESS – NO REPORT

SAFTEY – Maddie Diedo

Maddie stated that it was a quiet year – and that is not a bad thing!! There were no injuries reported at either open water events or pool events. There was one asthma attack that was handled correctly and efficiently.

At the open water safety conference held in March – discussion was held on looking at not only the dangers of cold water swimming but also on warm water swimming- this was due to the death of US Open Water Champion – Fran Crippen. There is more information on the USMS webpage.

Sally made a motion to accept the report

Don Kroger – 2nd

Report accepted

LONG DISTANCE – Frank Thompson gave report for Steve Erickson

Events to be held – July 9 – Innerlocken – Open water

July 13 – Glow Series – Holland

These 2 events are sanctioned. Skip suggested checking the website for more open water opportunities. USMS is getting more involved in open water swimming.

Don Kroger made a motion to accept the report

Sally G – 2nd

Report accepted

NEW BUISINESS

ELECTIONS – NOMINATIONS FOR OFFICIERS

PRESIDENT – ELECT – FRANK THOMPSON / GAIL DUMMER

SECRETARY – DENISE BROWN

TREASURER – PATRICK WEISS

SANCTIONS – JOE AUMILLER / FRANK THOMPSON

REGISTRAR – JASON PACYAU

After both Gail and Skip had a few minutes to introduce themselves, ballots were handed out for election of the position of President- elect. (Gail Dummer won the election)

After this election – ballots were handed out for Sanctions (Frank Thompson won the election)

2011 Michigan Masters officers:

PRESIDENT – SALLY GUTHRIE

PRESIDENT ELECT – GAIL DUMMER

SECRETARY – DENISE BROWN

TREASURER – PATRICK WEISS

SANCTIONS – FRANK THOMPSON

REGISTRATION – JASON PACYAU

STATE MEET BIDS FOR 2012 – Frank Thompson

Eastern Michigan University submitted a bid for the state meet. They propose the meet to be held the weekend of March 23-25 or March 30-April 1.

They are willing to hold distance events early as was done in 2011.

Gail stated there have been technology issues at EMU – Skip assured her these are taken care of.

Lois expressed concern over the parking at EMU – It is a long walk from parking to pool.

It was suggested that the meet NOT be held on Palm Sunday weekend! (As it was in 2011).

Frank C mad a motion to accept the report and to adjourn the meeting

Everyone 2nd

Report accepted

Meeting adjourned at 2:30 pm

Since the annual meeting – EMU has rescinded their bid to host the 2012 Michigan Masters State Meet. This will be discussed on July 24 at the Dearborn meet.

Respectfully submitted

Denise Brown – secretary – Michigan Masters