



## SPMS Monthly Minutes

### Date: Thursday, January 19, 2023

Meeting Called to Order: 7:33 pm, PST  
Facilitator: Kenny Brisbin (Chair)  
Recorder: Diana Dolan LaMar (Secretary)

#### 1. Roll Call to Take Attendance

##### Executive Committee, Contractors, and Committee Chair Attendees (11):

Chair – Kenny Brisbin (Long Beach Grunions); Vice-Chair - Robin Smith (Novaquatics Masters); Secretary – Diana Dolan LaMar (Mission Viejo Masters); Member at Large/Awards Chair – Becky Cleavenger (Conejo Valley Masters); Marketing/Program Development Chair - Anita Cole (Long Beach Grunions); History and Archives Chair - Robert Mitchell (Mission Viejo Masters); Officials Chair - Alina Perez de Armas (Mission Viejo Masters); Competitive Postal Events Results - David Johanssen (Santa Barbara Masters); Membership Coordinator & Top-Ten Recorder – Judi Divan (Mission Viejo Masters); Fitness Chair - Mary Jurey (UCLA Masters); Diversity & Inclusion Chair - Virgil Chancy (Unattached).

**Absent (5)** Treasurer - Kris McPeak (Silver Peak Performance); Coaches Chair – Charles McPeak (Silver Peak Performance); Zone Chair and Sports & Medicine Chair - Arlette Godges (Santa Barbara Masters); Open Water Chair – Christie Ciraulo (Unattached); Newsletter Editor - Jorge Ferrero (Unattached).

**SPMS Member Attendees (17):** Omar de Armas (Mission Viejo Masters); Barbara Moore Barnett (Mission Viejo Masters); Michael Heather (Mission Viejo Masters); Bart Parnes (Long Beach Grunions); Errol Graham (West Hollywood Aquatics); Bill Sive (Swim With Long Beach); Chad Durieux (Rose Bowl Masters); Ralph Porrazza (Rose Bowl Masters); Cory Nguyen (Orange County Riptides); Todd MacDonald (Different Strokes II); Maria Teresa Frias (Golden Road Aquatics); Beata Konopka (Conejo Valley Masters); Michael Collins (Novaquatics Masters); Lucila Davies (La Mirada Masters); Bob Eberwine (South Bay Masters); Lori Stein (Cal Tech Masters); Vivian Stancil (Riverside Aquatics)

Total attendance – **28 members**

**2. Approve Minutes:** Thursday, November 12, 2022, meeting. Approve minutes from annual meeting Thursday, November 12, 2022, meeting. **MSP**

#### 3. Standing Agenda

##### Executive Committee Reports:

- Chair: Kenny Brisbin – No Report
- Vice Chair: Robin Smith – Report Posted. USMS has launched a new club and development program. Details are on the USMS website – link attached. Grants of \$3,000 to \$5,000 are available to assist with pool fees, lifeguard costs, etc. <https://www.usms.org/volunteer-central/guide-to-local-operations/club-and-event-development-programs>
- Secretary: Diana Dolan LaMar – Updated SPMS Policies and Procedures posted. [https://www.spmasterswim.org/c/8B6A80C/file/meetings/2023/20230119\\_SPMS\\_Policies\\_and\\_Procedures\\_Updates.pdf](https://www.spmasterswim.org/c/8B6A80C/file/meetings/2023/20230119_SPMS_Policies_and_Procedures_Updates.pdf) **MSP to approve the revisions and after adding the Maurine Kornfeld award to the Table of Contents.**

Diana reminded members who met the 50%+1 attendance reimbursement criteria to send proof



of registration for reimbursable meets to Kris McPeak by February 1, 2023. Eligible meets are SPMS Championships and USMS Championships. Contact Diana regarding membership and/or coaching fee reimbursements if you have questions.

- Treasurer: Kris McPeak – Reports posted.  
[https://www.spmasterswim.org/c/8B6A80C/file/meetings/2023/20230119\\_SPMS\\_Treasurer\\_Report.pdf](https://www.spmasterswim.org/c/8B6A80C/file/meetings/2023/20230119_SPMS_Treasurer_Report.pdf)  
[https://www.spmasterswim.org/c/8B6A80C/file/meetings/2023/20230119\\_SPMS\\_Treasurer\\_Report\\_Oct2022.docx.pdf](https://www.spmasterswim.org/c/8B6A80C/file/meetings/2023/20230119_SPMS_Treasurer_Report_Oct2022.docx.pdf)  
[https://www.spmasterswim.org/c/8B6A80C/file/meetings/2023/20230119\\_SPMS\\_Treasurer\\_Report\\_Nov2022.docx.pdf](https://www.spmasterswim.org/c/8B6A80C/file/meetings/2023/20230119_SPMS_Treasurer_Report_Nov2022.docx.pdf)  
[https://www.spmasterswim.org/c/8B6A80C/file/meetings/2023/20230119\\_December\\_2022\\_Balance\\_Sheet.pdf](https://www.spmasterswim.org/c/8B6A80C/file/meetings/2023/20230119_December_2022_Balance_Sheet.pdf)  
[https://www.spmasterswim.org/c/8B6A80C/file/meetings/2023/20230119\\_December%202022\\_Income\\_Statement.pdf](https://www.spmasterswim.org/c/8B6A80C/file/meetings/2023/20230119_December%202022_Income_Statement.pdf)  
[https://www.spmasterswim.org/c/8B6A80C/file/meetings/2023/20230119\\_December\\_2022\\_BudgetvsActuals2022.pdf](https://www.spmasterswim.org/c/8B6A80C/file/meetings/2023/20230119_December_2022_BudgetvsActuals2022.pdf)
- Member at Large: Becky Cleavenger
  - A few swimmers have asked SPMS to bring back the check-off-challenge. Discussion that clubs might consider this or that this event is moved to the Fitness Committee.
  - Reminded coaches to please use the Swimmer of the Month award link on the SPMS website to recognize club swimmers.

#### Contractor Reports:

- Membership Coordinator: Judi Divan. Report Posted.  
[https://www.spmasterswim.org/c/8B6A80C/file/meetings/2023/20230119\\_SPMS\\_Membership\\_Coordinator\\_Report.pdf](https://www.spmasterswim.org/c/8B6A80C/file/meetings/2023/20230119_SPMS_Membership_Coordinator_Report.pdf) Currently SPMS has 2,951 registered swimmers which is ahead of this time in 2022.
- Top-Ten: Judi Divan. Report Posted.  
[https://www.spmasterswim.org/c/8B6A80C/file/meetings/2023/20230119\\_SPMS\\_Top\\_Ten\\_Recorder\\_Report.pdf](https://www.spmasterswim.org/c/8B6A80C/file/meetings/2023/20230119_SPMS_Top_Ten_Recorder_Report.pdf) Updates on top-ten and SCS records have been completed.
- Newsletter Editor: Jorge Ferrero – No Report.

#### SPMS Committee Reports

- Awards Committee: [Becky Cleavenger](#). No report.
- Coaches Committee: [Charles McPeak](#). No report.
- Diversity and Inclusion Committee: [Virgil Chancy](#). A code of conduct for clubs has been developed and it is semi-required. There is an upcoming peer-to-peer call.
- Finance Committee: [Kris McPeak](#). Report Posted.  
[https://www.spmasterswim.org/c/8B6A80C/file/meetings/2023/20230119\\_SPMS\\_Finance\\_Committee\\_Report.pdf](https://www.spmasterswim.org/c/8B6A80C/file/meetings/2023/20230119_SPMS_Finance_Committee_Report.pdf) **MSP to approve \$1,500 to the Long Beach Grunions to assist with the SPMS SCM Championship meet held December 2-4, 2022.** Committee will look for other banking institutions to move the SPMS \$100,000 CD to obtain a higher interest rate.
- Fitness Committee: [Mary Jurey](#). There is still a USMS Fitness Committee. Mary announced she is also a member of the USMS Awards Committee and would like ideas for awards for non-competitive swimmers. Discussion regarding swim clinics. Mike Collins announced that a race clinic will be conducted prior to the *PSMS* Palm Springs Masters Swim Team (PSMS) meet on January 28, 2023. An emphasis on turns, starts, race strategies, etc. is planned from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. Question about backstroke wedges. Both types will be available at clinic - those used at USMS Nationals, and those used by local teams. Suggestion to review common DQs. Mike Collins proposed that a clinic be held for unattached swimmers in the fall. This will be discussed



further under New Business next month.

- History and Archives Committee: [Robert Mitchell](#). No report.
- Long Distance & Open Water Committee: [Christie Ciraulo](#). No report.
- Meet Operations Committee: [Robin Smith](#). Report posted.  
[https://www.spmasterswim.org/c/8B6A80C/file/meetings/2023/20230119\\_Meet\\_Operations\\_Report.pdf](https://www.spmasterswim.org/c/8B6A80C/file/meetings/2023/20230119_Meet_Operations_Report.pdf)
- Officials Committee: [Alina Perez de Armas](#). SPMS meets are staffed through April. Need more officials for Nationals.
- Marketing and Club Development Committee: [Anita Cole](#). Report posted.  
[https://www.spmasterswim.org/c/8B6A80C/file/meetings/2023/20230119\\_SPMS\\_Mktg\\_Report.pdf](https://www.spmasterswim.org/c/8B6A80C/file/meetings/2023/20230119_SPMS_Mktg_Report.pdf) There is a new SPMS Instagram link. @SPMastersSwimming. Send info and/or questions to Ralph Porrazza. Anita is attending the SCPOA meeting in February; Nancy Kirkpatrick-Reno is attending in March. Try Masters Swimming is occurring in January, a USMS initiative for persons to attend a USMS practice at no charge.
- Sports Medicine and Science Committee: [Arlette Godges](#). No report.

#### SPMS Assignment Reports:

- Competitive Postal Event Results: [David Johanssen](#). Report Posted.  
[https://www.spmasterswim.org/c/8B6A80C/file/meetings/2023/20230119\\_SPMS\\_Fitness\\_Committee\\_Report.pdf](https://www.spmasterswim.org/c/8B6A80C/file/meetings/2023/20230119_SPMS_Fitness_Committee_Report.pdf)
- Webmaster: [Stephen Ingram](#). Send reports and information to [webmaster@SPMasterSwim.org](mailto:webmaster@SPMasterSwim.org)

**USMS Committee Reports:** no reports.

*Move that the January 19, 2023, SPMS Executive Committee, Contractor, SPMS Committee, SPMS Appointment, and USMS Committee Reports are approved as posted. MSP*

#### 5. Old Business:

- 01/20/22 - SPMS Survey Results (Kris McPeak and Arlette Godges Co-Chairs). Results shared.  
[https://www.spmasterswim.org/c/8B6A80C/file/meetings/2023/20230119\\_SPMS\\_2022\\_Survey\\_Results.pdf](https://www.spmasterswim.org/c/8B6A80C/file/meetings/2023/20230119_SPMS_2022_Survey_Results.pdf) Members are interested in more clinics and there are suggestions to allocate funds to assist clubs with meet costs.
- 09/22/22 – Proposal for new SPMS website/newsletter/social media combination. Tabled.

#### 6. New Business

- 08/19/21 – SPMS Annual Meeting Survey Results (Robin Smith Chair). Annual Meeting was held on November 12, 2022, at Golden West College. Positive Results shared.  
[https://www.spmasterswim.org/c/8B6A80C/file/meetings/2023/20230119\\_SPMS\\_ViceChair\\_Report.pdf](https://www.spmasterswim.org/c/8B6A80C/file/meetings/2023/20230119_SPMS_ViceChair_Report.pdf) Next year the annual meeting will be held in the Los Angeles area. Looking for a committee lead and a venue.
- 01/19/23 – SPMS Clinic on March 5, 2023, hosted by MVN (Barbara Moore Barnett)  
MVN submitted a proposal of \$600 to support costs to conduct a swim clinic on March 5, 2023 – one week prior to the MVN meet on March 12. Cost for participants is \$10. Participants may attend the Sunday morning practice, coffee and light snacks, and clinic to run from 10:00 am to 12:00 pm. **MSP to approve \$600 to assist MVN with SPMS swim clinic.** 1 opposed.

**MSP** to adjourn at 9:02 p.m.

**Next Meeting** – February 16, 2023, at 7:30 p.m. via Zoom.