

A quorum was not met and the meeting needed to be postponed.

Order of business:

- Reading and adoption of previous meeting minutes
- Reports of Officers

Ken Winterberger - Chair, retiring

Stan Steck - Treasurer - Kristina Biceroglu will be our new Treasurer

Balances:

Savings - \$4008.39

Checking - \$4407.20

One remaining cd at - \$1402.86

Accounts receivable: \$ 598.00

\$ 348.00 (recent checks to be deposited.)

2018 SCY meet

gross revenue: \$3155.00

Accounts payable: Bartlett Pool - \$1200?

Westcott Pool - ?

- Reports of Committees

Records/Top-10 - Paula Smith - Kent Hamilton is interested in the job.

All reports were filed on time.

All records were submitted to the webmaster for upload to the website.

For those hosting meets, it facilitates the top ten/records job considerably if your meet results are uploaded to the national database.

Those who participate in meets outside the state or non-USMS meets need to inform the top ten/records chair of those events so any records can be properly documented. If you have questions as to the requirements for a

swim to qualify for a record or top ten swim, be sure to contact the top ten/ records chair BEFORE your event.

Open Water - Kevin Knox

2 open water swims in Alaska in 2017.

Pennock Island Swim and Change Your Latitude.

Change Your Latitude had 49 swimmers compete. 2018 registrations are currently at 20 swimmers (record # for this point in the registration cycle). Last year kicked off Change Your Latitude weekend with a few adventure swims on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday evenings before race day on Sunday. Fisherman's Quay with the Morning Mist and a few of our local swimmers with boats transported swimmers out to a couple of remote locations for an hour swim. 2018 we will be offering swims leading up to the weekend again!

Pennock Island still operating but unsure of numbers. Since Willie Schulz's retirement it has been difficult to get information.

Hopeful that Chena Lake swim will start up again. Kristina Biceroglu of FAST Masters was looking into reviving the swim.

Registrar - Kristi Neptun

As of 2/19/2018, Alaska Masters has 255 members: 146 women and 109 men. 14 of those people registered in February. This total is 60 fewer than the past 3 years at this time of year. The National office has challenged us to figure out why that might be.

Workout Groups: We have 12 registered workout groups this year. That is the same as last year, but the list is slightly different. Our registered groups are:

- Baranof Barracudas (BBSC) in Sitka
- Buckner Masters (BMST) in Eagle River,
- Glacier Swim Club (GSC) in Juneau,

- *NEW* Haines Masters Swimming (HMS) in Haines,
- *NEW* Kachemak Swim Club (KSCM) in Homer,
- *NEW* Ketchikan's Old Orca Swimmers (KOOS) in Ketchikan,
- Northern Lights Swim Club Masters (NLM) in Anchorage,
- Salty Dawgs Swim Association (SDSA) in Valdez,
- Stingray Swim Team (SST) in Fairbanks
- Swimming with Alaska Masters (SWAM) in Anchorage,
- Top of the World Swimming (TOWS) in Soldotna
- Wrangell Island Masters Swimming (WIMS).

The Craig Waverunners (CWSC) in Craig and Wasilla Masters Team (WMST) in Wasilla did not re-register this year.

We have some active workout groups who chose not to register. We try to make sure everyone is represented at the swim meet who would like to be. Please contact Ken Winterberger or me to update your group contact and swim information on our website so we can help get the word out about your workout!

Membership numbers: We ended 2017 with 362 members. This is was down from our all time high in 2016 of 401 members. In 2015 we finished with 389 members. Other years were 376 members in 2014; 391 in 2013 and 380 in 2012. We've had over 315 members every year since 2009.

Sanctions - Melinda Greig - Angie Brennan (TOWS) is interest in the job.

2017:

February 18 & 19, SCY Champs in Anchorage
November 12, Fairbanks HOliday Splash Invite

2018:

February 24 & 25, SCY champs North Pole
April 6, SE Spring dual sanction (masters swim for no team points/
exhibition)

It is important to note that requests for sanctions of Time Trials have been denied, as the format has not been submitted as a meet. All sanctions require proper officials and format, including the entry form. Meets can be

creative, including the order and number of events. We encourage opportunities for masters to swim as part of USA sanctioned events. This can be accomplished by 1) dual sanction requirements or 2) masters swimmer joins usa swimming and then submit times to USMS

Coaches - Matt Williams

No report.

- **Unfinished business**

2018 Alaska Masters Swimming Memorial Scholarship Results

Reid Blackstone of Eagle River is the 2018 Alaska Masters Swimming Memorial Scholarship recipient. There were three applicants this year, Reid from Eagle River, one Candidate from Indian, and one candidate from Ketchikan. The Committee gave Reid their highest marks but the competition was VERY close. Reid will be graduating from Frontier Charter School in Anchorage in May where he holds a 3.88 GPA. Reid plans to attend the University of Alaska, Fairbanks and study civil engineering. The Scholarship Committee and Alaska Masters Swimming would like to congratulate Reid and wish him the best of success in his educational future and his involvement in giving back to the swimming community.

The 2018 Scholarship Committee:

Robin Murphy, Eagle Academy Charter School
Colny Tucker, Gruening Middle School, Retired
Melinda Greig, West High School, Retired
Ruth Carter, State DOT Engineer, Retired
Ken Winterberger, Chairperson, Research Forester, Retired

I notified Reid and suggested that he make contact with the Fairbanks Masters team.

- **Nominations and Elections**

Information on nominations/elections was sent out to our membership in January.

Kristina Biceroglu, SST, has been nominated as AKMS Treasurer

Carole Triem, GSC, has been nominaled as AKMS Secretary

Vice - Chair This position has been filled by the Secretary in the past. We don't want to do that any more.

Chair - Ken Winterberger - We need a new Chair. I am willing to help anyone transition into this position.

Nominations from the floor.

- **New business**

Budget - I have the outline of a budget and will work with our new Chair and Treasurer to put one together.

AKMS fees - Current \$6 - Mean LMSC fee is \$10 - AK LMSC is 12th smallest in membership and 7th smallest in fee income.

- **Resolution and Orders**

None

- **Adjournment**