

# 2019 U.S. Masters Swimming Annual Meeting — St. Louis, Missouri

<b>Committee Name:</b>	Colonies Zone	<b>Session #:</b>	1 of 1
<b>Committee Chair:</b>	Mollie Grover	<b>Vice Chair:</b>	Rand Vaillancourt
<b>Minutes recorded by:</b>	Jeff Strahota	<b>Date/time of meeting:</b>	12 Sept 2019 – 9:49

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## Actions Requiring Approval by the HOD:

1. N/A

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## Motions Passed:

1. Award 2019 Colonies Zone SCM Championship to WPI (F-S December 13-15)
2. Award 2020 Colonies Zone SCY Championship to GMU (Fairfax) (F-S April 3-5)

**Number of committee members present: 42**                      **Absent: N/A**                      **Number of other delegates present: N/A**

**Committee members present (list all, including chair and vice chair):** Mollie Grover, Rand Vaillancourt, Greg Danner, Rob Perkins, Maxx Phillips, Sarah King, Ben Wycoff, Ally Sega, Kirk Clear, Rich Williams, Kyla Ahlgren, Dave Schneider, Stephanie Gauzens, Ray Novitske, Bob Singer, Dave Diehl, Thomas Patterson, Laurie Hug, Natalie Taylor, Jayne Saint-Amour, RC Saint-Amour, Bob Kolonkowski, Charles Leroy Smith, Marie Vellucci, Michelle Toner, Bill Meier, Guy Davis, Alana Aubin, Emily Cook, Michael Hurd, Douglas Sayles, Crystie McGrail, Jason Weis, Claire Letendre, Leo Letendre, Chris McGiffin, Jim Miller, Jeff Roddin, Patty Miller, John Zarkowsky, Kristina Henry, Charles Cockrell, Jeff Strahota

**Committee Members Absent: N/A**

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## Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 9:49.

1. Introductions of the members of the zone.
2. Zone Dot Award – No nominees again this year. See the colonieszone.org website for nomination form and past recipients.
3. LMSC Standards Discussion
  - a. 7 of our LMSCs were Premier Plus – meeting all Target AND Mandatory standards. There were 18 such LMSCs in USMS, and we had 39% of them!!
  - b. 3.1.2 - Descriptions of jobs is to be present in the bylaws or LMSC Policy document. This was a target standard that were missed by 2 LMSCs.
  - c. Make sure folks on LMSC board and who are volunteers are registered with USMS for the current year.
  - d. Chairs/Vice Chairs – if you see something that looks wrong in your LMSC Standards results, please reach out to the LMSC Development Committee.
  - e. Updates to 2020 Standards. The board did not implement 2 (i and ii below) and kept two others (iii and iv).
    - i. Coaches/Officials for small LMSCs – because this is a target standard, let's keep it and keep it an aspiration
    - ii. LMSC/Treasurer not the same person – keep this in to codify in an easily accessible document
4. Zone Championship 2018-19 recap. WPI (SCM) and GMU (SCY) were the only two zone championships in the last year.
5. New Business
  - a. Zone Championships 19-20
    - i. SCM 2019 WPI – 1500 (fast-to-slow) this year on Friday Dec 13-15 (Leo/Claire MSA)
    - ii. SCY 2020 GMU – Friday Apr 3-5 (Crystie/Claire MSA)
    - iii. Metro folks will send forth Rockaway Swim details for a 1 & 2 Mi OW Zone Championship

- b. Elections
  - i. Email from chair – currently go to Chair and Vice Chair; add secretary to make sure we are getting info out to all of the LMSCs.
  - ii. Nominees: Doug Sayles (Leo/Claire MSA); Mollie Grover (Charlie C/Ray N MSA). Doug did not accept his nomination. Move to close nominations (Leo L/Chris M MSA). Voted to elect Mollie via acclamation (Leo L/Clare L). Mollie wins by acclamation.
  - iii. Rand V/Chrystie M nominated Doug Sayles for VC. As this position is appointed by the Chair, Mollie appointed Doug to be the official Vice Chair.
- c. Guy Davis (New England); brought up a question about the role of Zone Chair. Patty gave an explanation on the purpose of the role as envisioned by BOD and president.
- d. Events
  - i. Sept 28 2019 – Picking up Steam @ Randolph-Macon College, Ashland VA
  - ii. Sept 28 2019 – Gettysburg YWCA Fall meet.
  - iii. Sat Oct 5 2019 – Ithaca College dual recognized with CCS
  - iv. Sat Oct 12 2019 – Capital Classic @ Wilson Aquatic Center, Washington DC
  - v. Sun Oct 25 2019 – GMU Sprint Classic @ GMU-Fairfax
  - vi. Sat Nov 2 2019 – VMST Fall Meet @ Bayside Rec Center, Va Beach
  - vii. Sat Nov 23 – Gettysburg YWCA Last Chance SCM
  - viii. Sun Nov 24 2019 – 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Dr. Billy Ross Meet @ Nassau County Aquatic Center (10x25M)
  - ix. Sat Dec 7 2019 – Solstice Meet @ Germantown MD
  - x. Sun Jan 12 2020– 1<sup>st</sup> annual VA Beach Sprint Invite @ VA Wesleyan Norfolk VA
  - xi. Sun Jan 26 2020 – Tropical Splash @ GW Swim Center, Alexandria VA
  - xii. Sat Feb 1 2020– David Gregg Meet @ Nova, Richmond VA
  - xiii. Sun Feb 29 2020 – Club Tribe meet @ William & Mary, Williamsburg VA
  - xiv. March 2020 – March 14 distance day, 20/21 rest of the events.
  - xv. April 4/5 New York State Masters Championships (3 sessions Sat AM/Sat PM/Sun AM) @ Eisenhower
  - xvi. July 25 Kingdom Swim @ Lake Memphremagog, VT (10mi national championship)
  - xvii. August 12-16 2020 Nationals are in Richmond
  - xviii. Aug 15 2020 – 2 mi Cable Swim in Lake Placid
  - xix. Aug 22 2020 – Lake George 10k USMS National Championship (also have 2.5k and 5k)
  - xx. MD Swim Series Meets happening monthly (OCT @ Ellicott City, NOV Talbot County, DEC Washington College, Jan Annapolis, FEB Severna Park, MARCH Annapolis)
  - xxi. NewEnglandLMSC.org has a very comprehensive event list.
- e. Other
  - i. Ray N recognized Mollie for her first two years of service.
  - ii. Kirk K recognized that Dr. Jim Miller will be inducted in the MISHOF on Friday evening.
  - iii. Dave D recognized that Jeff Roddin will be presented with the Ransom Arthur Award on Saturday's banquet.

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## Tasks for the Upcoming Year

- 1. N/A

The meeting was adjourned at 10:36 am (Ray/Natalie MSA).

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