

Hawaii Masters Swimming Association

2010 Annual Meeting

UH Manoa, Duke Kahanamoku Swimming Complex – May 1, 2010

Call to Order – 12:13 p.m.

Attending:	Malcolm Cooper (chair)	Toni Sinnott (registrar)	Sandi Sheeley
	Diane Stowell (Oahu VP)	Ernie James	Cheryl Perrotta
	Kevin Drake (secretary)	Sandy Drake (official's chair)	Cappy Sheeley
	Ward Saunders	Marie Wagner	Tom Burke
	Matthew Camp	Eric Dilulio	Archie Hapai III

- I. Announcements – Malcolm Cooper (Chair)
 - A. First annual meeting in several years.
 - B. National recognition of Janet Renner for 10 years of service as Chair of the Hawaii Master Swimming Association.
- II. Reports
 - A. Membership/Registration – Toni Sinnott (registrar)
 1. 13 Clubs and 440 Members to 4/30/10.
 2. End of year total HMSA membership from 2009 was 590. (74½%)
 3. On line registration is available and is much preferred because of speed and accuracy.
 - B. Officials – Sandy Drake
 1. Increasing communication and cooperation with Hawaiian Swimming officials chair in order to have more officials available for HMSA activities.
 2. Certification process is being streamlined to allow for more officials to become certified sooner.
 - C. Top Ten – (Jim Mellon – Absent)
 1. Results are being sent in to USMS for Top Ten consideration.
 2. Be sure to send in results from other recognized events, such as USAS and YMCA.
 - D. Communications – Malcolm Cooper
 1. Looking for volunteer(s) to enhance web site and publish newsletter.
 2. Some work has been done to improve web site.
 - a) Keep listings of events and results current, updating with ongoing news.
 - b) Added info for visitors for ocean safety and swimming.
 - c) Looking for someone to do graphic header for website to match new USMS logo, also for the Hawaii Masters Swim Club (HiMa).

- E. Sanctions Chair – Malcolm Cooper
 1. Currently two meets are scheduled for Oahu (May 1 and later this summer June 21 Al Minn’s International meet at VMAC).
 2. Second Oahu meet being put on by UH Masters should be scheduled not to conflict with the North Shore Series.
 3. Need more swimmers in order for meets to offset costs (May Day meet has low costs).
 4. Open water races on Maui are USMS and USAS sanctioned. Trying to get the North Shore Series sanctioned, though with the shortage of officials due to conflict with USAS schedule, as with difficulty getting USAS sanction for the same reason. USAS will not sanction events in conflict with age group meets.
 5. In order to get the Aloha State Games or other events “recognized” by USMS, there needs to be a “Recognition form” sent in to the sanctions chair prior to the meet, and an official must verify that USMS rules were followed.
http://www.hawaiimastersswim.org/sanctions_forms.html
 6. “Virtual meets” were brought up by Mark Noetzel on the BigIsle and will be a topic of future discussion ... if we can coordinate multiple islands. It was mentioned these meets can take place on different days on different islands.

F. Coaches Chair – No report.

G. Safety and Open Water – No additional information to report.

H. Treasurer Report – (Jerry Stowe)

1. Bank Balance (American Savings) as of 12/31/09	\$ 13,989
2. Savings Account (CDs in Valley Isle Fed Credit Union)	\$ 8,331
3. Net positive cash flow for 2009	\$ 978

I. Secretary Report – Kevin Drake

1. No prior annual meeting minutes to review.

J. Vice Chair (Position Vacant)

K. Island Reps – No Reports.

L. Other Reps (Non-voting)

1. Fitness Chair (Toni Sinnott) – No report.
2. Legal Counsel (James Krueger) – No report.

III. Old Business

A. Approval of Bylaws

1. Current version was adopted in 1984 ([Original 1984 Bylaws](#)). Thanks to Ernie James for creating the initial draft last July. Malcolm Cooper incorporated changes per the new USMS standards approved at the last USMS convention ([USMS Minimum Standards](#)).
2. Brief review of key points of the proposed by-laws (as posted on the Hawaii Masters website [Bylaws \(5/1/10\)](#)).

3. No discussion. Unanimously Approved by a show of hands.
- B. Election of Officers (nominees listed)
 1. General Chair (Malcolm Cooper)
 2. Vice Chair (Ernie James nominated at the meeting)
 3. Secretary (Kevin Drake)
 4. Treasurer (Jerry Stowe)
 5. No other nominations. All nominees elected unanimously by a show of hands.
- C. Graphic Artist – Matthew Camp to investigate Tai Graphix, who does work for triathlons.
- D. Current Projects – Goals of current Chair – Discussion Topics
 1. Bring USMS to be the standard for open water competitions on Oahu, Kauai, and Big Island. Currently Maui all ocean swims USMS/USAS dual sanction. Oahu has one USMS OW swim (Looong “double roughwater” in December). Issue with getting North Shore series on Oahu is the difficulty in getting USAS sanctions (conflicts with pool meets).
 2. Bring more pool meets to Oahu and virtual inter-island meets. Great start today thanks to UH Masters coach Jennifer Jackson. She’s planning another mid summer. Maui Pentathlon will be Saturday Sept 11th.
 3. Increasing membership and building community of pool swimmers.
 4. Reaching out to Hawaiian Swimming, particularly on Oahu with the biggest swimmer population (age group and masters), to build relationships and foster collaboration and cooperation.
 5. Swim Fitness is healthcare.....get out and swim.
 - a) Set up tables at other events (e.g. triathlons).
- IV. New Business
 - A. Announcement by Archie Hapai III – In Kona on Wednesdays at 6:15 a.m., Steve Borowski conducts swim clinics every week.
- V. Adjournment at 1:02 p.m.

Respectively submitted by Kevin Drake.