

## Swim Kentucky Masters Meeting

December 3, 2018

President C.J. Rushman called the meeting to order at 12:31 p.m. at Lakeside Swim Club in Lexington. Also present were Meg Smath (WILD), Dave Burgio (WILD), Susan Ehringer (SLM), Tom Mester (SLM), Jim Luebbe (BST), Pam Luebbe (LAKE), William Kolb (LAKE), Christina Yeoman (WILD), Julie May (CARD), and Bill Tingley (CARD).

Bill noted that our policy for reimbursing expenses for coaches at Nationals only defines allowable expenses and does not set dollar limits, which can be fluid, depending on travel distance and how expensive the location. Bill moved that we amend our policy to state that reimbursement will be a flat fee of \$400. William seconded. All aye.

There is no change to the types of expenses that can be reimbursed, just how much that reimbursement will be. Whether SKY will pay for a coach depends on how many SKY swimmers attend the meet. The consensus was that we should continue providing T-shirts for our swimmers who attend Nationals, and also paying for relays. Dave suggested that before making plans for Nationals expenses that we first check the balance of the SKY checking account so we don't overspend. Our primary revenue stream for SKY is sanction fees from meets within the LMSC, and that's usually adequate; but last year when we had two large, expensive meets, we ran out of money. So we need to come up with fundraising ideas. Julie reminded us that we get a "kickback" from SwimOutlet.com whenever anyone buys SKY branded items from them, so we should all encourage our swimmers to load up on the SKY swag. William will get estimates for T-shirts for next year's nationals so we can budget according to how many swimmers we think will attend.

Jim commented how much he enjoyed swimming on a SKY relay at the Lakeside Mile earlier in the day. Relays composed of swimmers regardless of which workout group they belong to are often much faster than those restricted to members of the same workout group. All agreed that there are arguments in favor of both all-SKY and workout-group-restricted relays. We will discuss again at our next meeting after the Maehr Mile and brainstorm more opportunities to compete in all-SKY relays.

**Adjournment.** MSA to adjourn at 1:09 p.m.