

O*H*I*O Masters Swim Club
Annual Meeting
Saturday, June 29, 2019
Sleepy Hollow Golf Course
Brecksville, OH

Board Members Present: Ann Marshfield, Bruce Allen, Chuck Beatty, Ashley Braniecki, Anne Hegnauer, Andrew McCollister, Mark Stewart, Ashley Zoeller,

Not Present: Mike Ellek, Keith Owen,

Members Present: Bob Babiak, Ed Borsuk, Bob Boyce, Arnie Colvin, John Daily, Jay Definis, Luise Easton, Ehren Eschmann, Aaron Foreman, Tom Gorman, Deane Malaker, Mark Marshfield, Judi Norton, Yoshi Oyakawa, Eleanor Rimmerman, Mel Smith, Cheyenne Toole,

Guests: Suzanne Babiak, Maya Beatty, Rose Borsuk, Lydia Boyce, R.J. Colvin, Kristen Eschmann, Charlie Farrell, Ed Hegnauer, Dave Norton, Betty Russ & friend,

Before the meeting, Ann introduced Charlie Farrell who spoke about his late wife Carol, the Carolyn L. Farrell Foundation for Brain Health (www.farrellfoundation.org), and his upcoming Swim from Alcatraz (July). Carol suffered from dementia, and Charlie's swim is in support of her foundation.

Before the meeting, Ann gave a few of the many highlights of the year in her President's Remarks.

- Recognition of first time swimmers in our meets,
- The fall challenge where 12 swimmers participated in the 1-mile Smarty Pants fitness challenge,
- O*H*I*O Masters support for the St. Malachi swim program,
- Arnie Colvin and Chuck Beatty became Level 1 & 2 USMS Certified Coaches,
- Ongoing Adult Learn To Swim (ALTS) activities
- A USMS record was set at the Avon Meet last summer where Robert Doud set a record in the 200 fly,
- O*H*I*O Masters was designated a Gold Club by USMS and received a banner in honor of this,

Ann also thanked our Meet Directors, Tom Gorman and Kevin McCardle. 2018 USMS All Americans were honored, and O*H*I*O Iron Persons and Super Iron Persons were also honored.

Ann introduced two new awards plaques to honor club members: the O*H*I*O Masters Swim Club Lifetime Achievement Award plaque and the USMS National Award Recipient plaque. National Awards are for coaching, service and performance. The plaques will be displayed in the trophy case at Lakewood High School pool.

In a highlight of the evening, Ann presented Lifetime Achievement Awards to John Daily and Betty Russ for their distinguished swimming careers. Their names will be inscribed on the new Lifetime Achievement plaque.

Call to Order – Ann called the meeting to order at 6:41 pm.

1. The agenda was presented and approved by all (attached).

2. Minutes from last year's Annual Meeting, June 23, 2018, were approved unanimously, without changes, by the club members present.
3. Minutes from the last Board Meeting, May 4, 2019, were approved unanimously by the board members present.
4. Financial Report:
 - A) Ann read the treasurer's narrative (attached). This report noted all bills have been paid, plus we have a healthy, overall surplus of funds.
 - B) Keith also provided a Profit and Loss statement and a Balance Sheet in handouts (attached).
 - C) Bruce Allen asked what should we spend our surplus on? ALTS and the USMS Swimming Saves Lives Foundation have been discussed before.
5. LELMSC-Lake Erie Local Masters Swimming Committee:
 - A) Jay Definis spoke about activities of the LELMSC. In particular,
 - i. Upcoming national convention
 - ii. Volunteer Task Force. The LELMSC is working to increase volunteerism. Please check the website (<http://www.lelmsc.org/>) to see how you can help.
 - iii. New Board members. Jay mentioned recent additions to the LELMSC board.
 - iv. The LELMSC pays fees for the Brogan Open Water Swim, and it will sponsor the 2020 National Open Water Swim (Brogan 2020).
 - v. ALTS-Adult Learn to Swim. Jay spoke to the committee's commitment to this endeavor.
6. Sunshine and Rain:
 - A) Ashley mentioned that over 20 cards have been sent out to O*H*I*O Masters members to note retirements and weddings.
7. Brogan Open Water Classic:
 - A) Chuck spoke about this year's Brogan Open Water Classic (in its 30th year), plus race details and preparations. It will be held on July 13th.
8. Donation to the Malachi Center:
 - A) Judi Norton moved that \$1000 be donated to the St. Malachi Childrens Urban Swim Camp. Andrew seconded the motion.
 - B) All were in favor; no one was opposed.
9. Board Elections:
 - A) Ann explained board election. The two year terms of Keith (Treasurer) and Mark (Secretary) are coming to a close. Bruce and Chuck are completing two-year trustee terms. Ashley Braniecki was originally a trustee and was appointed to be Vice President; her second year in this two-year position must be approved at the Annual Meeting. Similarly, Anne Hegnauer was appointed to fill the trustee term of E. J. Gorman, and her second year in this position must be approved at this meeting.
 - B) Mark served on the Nominating Committee and presented a slate of candidates. Nelson Abbey, Bruce Allen, and Chuck Beatty stood for two trustee positions.
 - C) Ann asked for nominations from the floor for any of the positions, but there were no additional nominations.

- D) Bruce Allen raised questions about the accuracy of the ballot. After some discussion, the elections proceeded with the ballot presented.
- E) Candidate biographies and ballots were provided to all members in attendance (attached).
- F) Twenty-four ballots were cast, and Bob Babiak counted them. Keith was elected Treasurer; Mark was elected Secretary; Bruce and Chuck were elected to Trustee positions. Second year of term approvals: Ashley Braniecki for Vice President, Anne Hegnauer for Trustee.
- G) The Board thanks all the members who stood for positions.

The meeting adjourned at about 7:42 pm.

Dates for Next Board/Annual Meetings:

September 28, 2019, Board Meeting

January 2020,

April 2020,

June 2020, Annual Meeting