

REPORT OF BRUCE HOPSON

I attended the 2022 annual meeting of the House of Delegates of U.S. Masters Swimming, Inc., as an in-person delegate for the Ozark LMSC. The meeting was held September 16-18, 2022, at the Westin - Denver International Airport. The meeting was a “hybrid” because about two-thirds of the delegates attended in person while the remaining third attended virtually.

The in-person meeting started with the 1st session of the House of Delegates. At that session, the secretary opened the Annual Meeting followed by the remarks of the President, Peter Guadagni, and the CEO, Dawson Hughes, who updated the House about the activities in 2022 and the priorities for 2023. Concluding that session was the presentation of awards, including the Ransom J. Arthur Award, which went to Jim and Annalee Matysek, collectively.

The conference resumed the next morning with the 2nd session. The highlight of that session was the election for the directors-at-large for the board of directors. Also at that session, the Rules Committee, the Legislation Committee, Long Distance gave their reports concerning their rule proposals. Delegates then voted on the various proposals that the respective committees offered.

The second part of the session that resumed after lunch, focused on the fiscal matters of the organization. The Finance Chair addressed the House and presented the business plan and budget assumptions. Furthermore, the House passed the recommended \$5 fee increase. The Annual Meeting then concluded with President Guadagni CEO Hughes giving their respective closing remarks.

The annual Meeting was to have continued through Sunday morning. However, because it didn't, that time was used for feedback regarding the annual meeting. College Club Swimming also gave a presentation/panel discussion on its efforts.

The committee meetings that normally occur concurrent at the Annual Meeting were held virtually, beginning in the first week and concluded prior to the start of the in-person meeting.

More detailed minutes of the committee meetings and each of the HOD sessions, along with the results of the winners of the awards and elections may be found on the USMS website.