ALTS meeting #1 - February 2024

Introductions -

Sue Nutty, Omaha

Barb Sloan, Arizona, lives in 55+ community, organizes ALTS for seniors & coaches USMS team

Mike Hamm, Idaho, coaches at Kroc Center & owns a swim school in backyard, ~200 swimmers/week, ALTS IT

Brandy Bashor, New York, coaches USMS, ALTS program ~25/session

Cindy Wood, Florida, started swimming at age 45, All-American, ALTS instructor

David Smith, Oklahoma, NDE at age 5 at public pool, ALTS cert 1-year ago, LMSC chair for OK

Eric, California, lifelong swimmer, Pacific Masters ambassador for ALTS, newly wed

Carrie Stolar, Minnesota, coach, LMSC chair of MN, BOD, ALTS committee since its beginning

Nadine Ford, No Carolina, founder of Mahogany Mermaids & Evolutionary Aquatics, Club built almost entirely from ALTS program participants

Donita Fleckner, California, HS & USMS coach - team owner, newly wed

Jay DeFinis, Ohio, swam as a youth, came back to the pool in 2007-08, credits swimming for saving life, USA Swimming Foundation board member for ALTS. Passionate about ALTS & raising money for ALTS grants Bill Brenner – absent

2023 Golden goggles raised \$322,000; grant winners will be announced in March. 96 grant applications Committee encouraged to review grants next year. Contact Jay if interested.

Final compilation of minutes from last year's meeting was sent out earlier to see where committee was.

This year: DEI committee mission statement is to be our starting point for ALTS Committee mission statement. Outline & share best practices for ALTS programs.

Mentoring, helping with questions.

Encouraging individuals running programs

Resources on the USMS website – ALTS Central, Webinars from the past online for reference. (LMSC resources, webinars, meeting minutes section), skill videos available.

Mike Hamm - IT for ALTS

Mike = fund raising into data into golden goggles involvement for awareness & donations, mentoring.

Jay – promoting ALT stories with USA swimming foundation. What are the top 3 priorities for this year? We need to be involved with the Community themed programs. USMS doing pool swim lane rental at nationals in OT pool. Mike – get a video from Mahogany Masters for GG banquet.

Nadine – MM working on a video doc right now. Local and national one in the process – check MM website for first video.

Barb – Phoenix Swim Club doing ALTS for parents while kids are at practice, grandparents also wanting to learn at her pool. Get info from AZ!!

Jay – Tim Hinchey coming to Relay in the fall and Dawson hoping to showcase our collaboration with USA SF

Volunteers for mission/purpose statement sub-committee: Barb

ALTS newly certified instructors – following up.

Jay – could ALTS get on the agenda at the foundation board meeting? Message to donors, interested people? Board meets 4x/year, next meeting in April, and then OT, then September live mtg. Activity-workflow-marketing.

Adjourned at 8:02 PM