

Ohio Swimming House of Delegates Meeting Minutes May 2, 2004

Present: A. Harker, Sanctioning and Scheduling Chair; J. Finn, NAC; T. Burt, Treasurer; C. Hadden, COPS/Senior Vice Chair; J. Reynolds; K. Pendergast, KCST; N. Burt, NTV; G. Tameris, MAAST; B. Bader, MAKO; M. Cooper, CM; T. Bischoff; C. Kolbe, Adapted Chair; S. McAdoo, FAST; C. Strunk, BGSC/Administrative Vice Chair; J. Pristash, SYL/Safety Chair; C. Carrigan, CAC; S. Nye, GCSTO; J. Roberts, CLPR; D. Wendorff, Age Group Vice Chair; P. Nunan, PAC; E. Schwab, Registration Chair; T. Saltus, UASC; T. Karn, Outreach; D. Boettcher, Officials; G. Leatherman, FAST; J. Mull, COSA; S. Day, CLPR; F. Croft; A. Kurth, General Chair; S. Colby, WOR; M. Miranda, UASC; B. Peresie, OU; K. Kennedy, GTAC/Camps; M. Davis, WTRC/Coaches; K. Heis, Mason; C. Wolford, CM; P. Cole, SYL; B. Spurling, CAC; B. Peaden, DR.

- 1. A. Kurth:** The meeting was called to order at the University Plaza Hotel, Columbus, and introductions were made around the room. (Updated address/phone information is included with these minutes.)
- 2. A. Kurth:** Minutes from the October 2003 meeting were approved (S. Day, moved; M. Cooper, seconded)
- 3. T. Burt, Treasurer's Report (burto@alltel.net):** The General Fund will come up approximately \$18,000 short due to cost of Swimconnections, Swimposium, awards provided by OSI, officials shirt inventory and other unpredicted expenses. After discussion, it was approved (T. Burt moved, D. Wendorff seconded) that the OSI membership dues portion be increased from \$5 to \$10. Therefore, the current membership fee of \$45 (of which OSI receives \$5) would be increased to \$50, and since USA Swimming is raising its portion by \$1 each year, the 2005 membership fee under OSI will be \$51. A motion by T. Burt (seconded by C. Wolford) to increase club dues by \$100 to a total of \$220 was not passed. The current status of each fund is as follows: General Fund (\$7805), Insurance Fund (\$24, 040.61); Regular Travel Fund (\$18, 319.87); Permanent Travel Fund (\$39,855.62); Awards Fund (\$50,047.49); and Facility fund (\$18,267).
- 4. A. Kurth, General Chair's Report (akurth@buckeye-express.com):** Thank you to Dick Boettcher for arranging the Swimposium. It was an excellent event for Ohio Swimming.
 - The Nominating Committee was asked for a slate of those officers up for re-election. The current office holders asked to be nominated again, and because no one ran against them, Al Kurth, Carolyn Strunk, Cindy Roberts and Erin Schwab will remain for the next two years in their respective offices (General Chair, Administrative Vice Chair, Secretary, Registration Chair).
 - Two new members of the Review Board needed to be appointed. Frank Croft and Pat Nunan were chosen and accepted by the membership.
 - Two new athlete representatives to the HOD will be chosen at the Senior Meet.
- 5. E. Schwab, Registration Chair's Report: (ohioswim@cinci.rr.com)** In the past year, USA Swimming changed their entire registration process to an entirely web-based

system. This was the reason for the delay in registration, but now everything is switched over.

Under this new system, manual registration (where a form is submitted and the information is typed in by Erin) is inefficient and unnecessary, especially because all teams should have Meet Manager. In order to save time and money, Erin proposed the following changes to the registration and verification process:

- All membership registration and updates shall be done electronically, and only club checks will be accepted. No personal checks.
- If a club has less than 10 members, it can submit registrations manually.
- A follow-up report will be generated by Hy-tek for each club
- If a club will have additional registrations throughout the season, it may submit a large estimated check in the beginning of the season.
- There will be no more club packets mailed to each club. Instead, the information will be available in .pdf format on the Ohio Swimming website.
- Non-athletes will be able to renew manually.
- Electronically submit transfers as if they were new members, and mail the transfer form with the appropriate amount of money to Erin.
- Incomplete data or manual registrations will not be processed. It will be returned to the club which sent it.
- In addition to bank charges, there will be a \$20 fee for bounced checks.
- Erin will clean up the membership rosters of all 60 clubs this summer so that all data will be the same for the clubs and for USA Swimming. In this way, the minor mistakes in name, middle initial, birthdates, etc., can be corrected, and results can be accurately credited to the correct swimmer.
- Re: Athlete verification for meets: Erin will perform a pre-meet reconciliation using Swim Connections. She will update Swim Connections each week by Tuesday night and then each club should compare its meet entries with the information in Swim Connections on the Wednesday before the meet.
- At a meet, clubs may register a swimmer electronically. Collect a check and send it in. This is the meet director's responsibility to help register swimmers.
- Clubs can go on Swim Connections and request Meet Manager instruction.
- Erin requested a positive list of those coaches who have credentials which will be posted by John on the website. New coaches would obviously have to be added from time to time, but it would be great to have a running list so we can compare at each meet. There are currently 4600 athletes and 60 clubs in OSI.
- Erin will do a post-meet verification after each meet.

6. Administrative Reports

a) C. Strunk, Administrative (cstrunk@bqnet.bgsu.edu): Proposed gray book changes should be submitted by August of this year to be considered for the October meeting. Please, when you use OSI forms, do not alter them; use what is currently in use. Note that the officials sign-in form has been changed.

b)D. Boettcher, Officials (boettlnd@iac.net): His report follows:

<p>We continue to focus on consistency in officiating across the LSC. To help this effort, we will be integrating situational training in our re-certification clinics beginning in the fall of this year. These are real on deck situations that have been reviewed and interpreted by the National</p>
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Officials Committee. These will be used as tools to stimulate discussion and come to common solutions/interpretations.

We held the first "train the trainers" clinic for starters on November 5, 2003. With the addition of the new starter training video this spring, we now have the tools to conduct starters clinics across the LSC as needed.

Training for referees is the focus for 2004. To kick off this process, Mike Bockstiegel, John Hojnacki and I will attend a referee/facilitators workshop put on by USA Swimming in Dallas later this month. The objective will be to develop a training manual and clinic format for referees.

Our new logo shirt and name badge for officials project has been a modest success. Since we kicked off the program last fall, we have sold 97 shirts and 91 magnetic name badges to Ohio Swimming officials. These items will continue to be available on an ongoing basis.

c) N. Burt, OVC/NTV (nburto@alltel.net): Although high school and Y times are not official unless observed by a USA Official, they can be used for proof of time for entering meets with time cuts.

d) B. Peaden, Top 16 Records (Peaden01@erinet.com): All records have been updated on the Ohio website.

e) J. Pristash, Safety: (jpristash@sev.org):

-The 2003-2004 Approved Coach's Course List is still in effect. Revisions will be made in July, 2004 and these will be posted on the OSI website ASAP.

-The Safety/Loss Control Manual is available in the club toolbox. You can obtain a toolbox from cschemmel@usa-swimming.org. You may obtain the manual alone from millich@usa-swimming.org.

-2003 Year-End Statistics: 799 (up from 779) nationally reported accidents; 19 (up from 12) Ohio reported accidents. Total summary available by request.

-He will be attending the Safety Chair Meeting in Atlanta, May 14-16, and will bring information back to the LSC.

-Remember to report ALL accidents as required on the current form.

f. No Masters Report

g. C. Kolbe, Adapted: (Kolbe_c@yahoo.com) The first annual GTAC Meijer Disability Meet was a great success. It was the first time that an international disability meet (with International Paralympic Committee sanction---so that the times qualified for world rankings) hosted by a private USA Swim Club. There were fourteen new long course records set: 8 Pan-American records and 6 American records. There were also workshops for parents, coaches and swimmers with disabilities.

-Ohio Swimming was well-represented at the US Paralympic Swimming Trials on April 22-24 in Minneapolis. Staci Pursely (S14) of the Marietta Y Marlins earned a bronze medal in both the 50 free and 200 free; Elizabeth Reed (S9) from Dayton (unattached) dropped time in all events; Beth Riggle (S9) from GTAC earned four medals and a spot on the US Paralympic Team, and Beth Kolbe (S3) also representing GTAC, achieved her 7th new American record in the 50 back, and was also invited to be a member of the US Paralympic Team. Congratulations to both Beths as they represent the US in Athens this September!

-If any team would like information or support material so that disabled swimmers can be included, please contact Cindy Kolbe at the e-mail above.

h. T. Carr, Outreach: (BGCSwimming@aol.com) *Please note Tami's address and phone number on the attached Roster.*

-Tami has information about starting a swim program at the local Boys and Girls Club in Cincinnati and welcomes letter of support and/or swim equipment to aid in our outreach. Other teams who have started outreach programs in their cities are invited to send that information to Tami. **In addition, there is a Grant for Outreach available from USA Swimming. Submission Deadline is July 15, 2004 and information may be obtained from www.usa-swimming.org (look under outreach) or by contacting Dan Walker, National Outreach Chair at smw15479@aol.com or 210-299-1560.**

8. D. Wendorff, Age Group Chair: (dwendorf@columbus.rr.com)

-Short Course Championships: The coaches would like photos posted on the OSI of the top three winners; they would like three sets of different plaques for individual high point, MVP and team age-group high point; they would also like a rotating travel trophy for 1st/ 2nd/3rd place teams in large and small team divisions.

-A few minor complaints re: the meet—problems with crowding and seat-saving, which is somewhat unavoidable. All pleased for the most part.

-Discussion was held re: whether OSI should host all championship meets or individual teams should host. It was decided that there should be a subcommittee to discuss this issue prior to the next OSI HOD meeting in October. That committee will consist of the following members: D. Wendorff, chair; J. Roberts (CLPR); T. Burt, Treasurer; T. Bischoff; C. Wolford (CM); A. Kurth, General Chair; and B. Spurling (CAC).

-It was determined that ads for Championship meet heat sheets were acceptable as long as they were not recruitment tools

-See dates for 2004-2005 Championship meets with meet calendar enclosed.

-Long Course 2005 appears to be shaping up as follows (assuming that the Sectional Meet will be on July 20-24, 2005): Senior Meet: July 8-10; A/B Meet: July 14-17; AA Meet: July 28-31. Clubs are welcome to discuss bidding on these meets with Dan.

-Setting time standards: The National A/AA time cuts will be taken into consideration when establishing Ohio's. Dan will follow the usual procedure and get the numbers out the committee members for discussion so that any inequities can be cleared up.

-It was decided that an athlete does NOT have to be entered in a meet in order to participate in Time Trials since the Time Trials have a separate sanction. If the swimmer is entered in the meet, then the TT swim counts as an event.

-The proposed LC Championship meet format was approved. Details can be obtained from Dan. The subcommittee consists of J. Roberts (CLPR), M. Davis (Coaches/WTRC); S. Day (CLPR); C. Strunk (Admin. V. Chair/BGSC) and D. Wendorff (Age Group Chair). There will be further discussion of future practice of entering 9 events and only swimming 7 in championship meets.

-It was voted to maintain the current entry fees as follows for individuals/relays:

Timed finals: \$3.25/\$6 Prelim/Finals: \$3.50/\$7 Championship: \$3.75/\$8

Time trials: \$5/swim \$8/relay

8. Senior Chair, C. Hadden (coachhadden@swimcops.com)

The 2004 LC Senior Meet will be held on July 16-19 at C.T. Branin Natatorium in Canton, Ohio (the site of the Ohio High School State Championship Meet). It is being hosted by COPS and GTAC. Rooms can be obtained from the Holiday Inn for \$79/night. Call 330-494-2770 and ask for Ohio Senior Swim Meet block. Meet information has

been mailed to you. There will be elections of our athlete reps at that meet. This will be a national certification meet for officials also.

-Swimmers who achieve zone cuts are encouraged to attend zones. They will be held at Miami University during the first weekend of August.

9. Coaches/High Schools, M. Davis (wtrcsharks@aol.com) *Note changes of address and/or phone number for coaches in the attached roster.*

-All coaches proposals were brought forward to the Age-Group committee meeting where they were discussed and are noted above.

-Mark stated that it would be nice for all assistant coaches to attend a swimposium such as the one offered this weekend. CM and GTAC brought all of their assistant coaches and they stated it was helpful to all. It would also be good to provide ASCA level I training and CPR/First Aid certification. OSI would have to set something up separately, and this would have to be organized.

-Having the Regional Meets during the same weekend as Ohio State Meet is a problem again this year, but Dan pointed out that there were not other weekends.

10. Sanctioning/Scheduling, A. Harker (Aharker@yahoo.com) An abbreviated calendar of meets for the short course season follows. A formal copy can be found at www.ohioswim.org and meet information can be obtained from the hosting team's website.

2004-2005 Short Course Meets

Championship Meets

Senior Meet: March 4-6, 2005 at the University of Toledo (GTAC)

AA's: March 11-13, 2005 at Keating Natatorium (CM)

Regionals: February 25-27, 2005

Dayton: Kettering

Central: UASC/GCST

Northwest: BGSC @ Ayersville

Cincinnati: CM/SFF

Mini-Meets: February 12: Mary Lou Mini-Meet (9 & under) CLPR

March 5,6: Barbara Kay Mini-Meet (8 & under) WOR

Regular Meets for 2004-05

October	November	December	January	February
2: CAC	5-7: CM	3-5: CM	7-9: CM	4-6:CM
3: WTRC	7: PAC	3-5: COSA	7-9:CAC	4-6: CAC
15-17: WTRC	7: GCST	4-5: WTRC	9: DR	4-6: GCST
15-17: WOR	6-7: GTAC	10-12: MAK0	8,9: UASC	5,6: NAC
23, 24: CLPR	12-14: KCST	10-12: Milford	8,9: SYL	11-13: Milford
24: GTAC	12-14: UASC	11, 12: BGSC	14-16: CLPR	
30: CAC	19, 20: Milford	17-19: GCST	16: GCST	
	19-21: DR		21-23: WOR	
	21: GCST		22: Mariemont	
	26-28: GTAC		29: PAC	
			29-31: KCST	
			30: DR	

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