

October 7, 2007

Club Attendance: ABLY (Bannon), BASH (Whatley), BGSC (Willer), CAC (Rice), CHY (Miller), CLPR (Roberts), CM (Wolford), DR (Weldon), DUBS (Klinge), FAST (Wobser), GCST (Nye/Tech Chr), MAKO (Davis/Coach Chair), NAC (Finn), RAYS (Billheimer), SOS (Moran), SYL (Black), UASC (Saltus), WAC (Peterfish), WOR (Vrancken), WTRC (Limkemann), DORC (Hawes), GTAC (Pierson), KAC (Bachman), LTPY (Promenschenkel), MAC (Howard), MUS/RHA (Lindsay), NAAC (Fightmaster), OSU/OSSC (Wadley), OU (Werner), SFF (Schlosser)

Club Absent: Beaver creek Y, Bobcat Swim Club, Buckeye SC/Hilliker Y, Coffman Y, Countryside Y, Defiance Y, Eagles Swim Team, Kettering South Comm Family Y, Lancaster Y Swim Team, Miami County Y Marlins, RC Durr YMCA, Springfield Family YMCA, University of Cincinnati, Toledo Y Swimming, Wauseon Aquatic Club, Wright Patt Swim Team, YMCA Wahoos Swim Club, Williams County Y, Milford Area Swim Team, Mercy Healthplex Sea Wolves, Oak Hills Swim Team, Powel Crosley Y, Seneca Aquatic Klub, Kettering City Swim Team

Board Attendance: Boettcher (Gen Chr), Reynolds (Ad v-c), Black (Sr Chr), Carrigan (Agp v-c), Strunk (Sec), Myers (Treas), Davis (Coach Chr), Bockstiegel (Officials), Schwab (Reg/NTV), Harker (S/S), Pristash (Safety), Nye (Tech Chr), Peterkowski (HS Coord), Wunderle (Jr Ath Rep), Lunsford (Ex-Off Bd)

Absent Board: Olson, Karn-Morris (Outreach), Peaden (Top Times/Records), Kurth, Hillier (Sr Ath Rep)

Call to Order: 1:00 p.m.

General Comments:

Introduction of Randy Julian

Bill Wadley: Problems with OSI Pool.

April 3-6, 2008: OSU wants to host Grand Prix meet. Looking for all teams, families to help run the event. Schottenstein Center has agreed to take the risk of running this event. They will train their staff to help run. If event sells 2/3 of the tickets will pay for the event. If will be in black, OSU may be more willing to host additional meets. Meeting/w COSA. OSU needs to know that OSI wants to run meets there.

Secretary Report (Strunk):

-Minutes from the May 2007 House of Delegates meeting were approved. No corrections.

General Chair Report (Boettcher):

-Permanent Office ad hoc committee: Dick Boettcher (Chair), Tim Myers, Carolyn Strunk, Erin Schwab, John Reynolds.

-Appointing an ad hoc committee to determine in May 08 to continue with Swim Connection or not: Mike Bockstiegel, Brent Peaden, Erin Schwab, Chris Black, Tim Myers, Mary Wunderle (athlete).

In the personnel area, Mark Davis, our Coaches Representative, has moved up in the coaching world to become the new Assistant Women's Swimming Coach at Miami University. Congratulations to Mark on this well deserved promotion! Mark will continue to serve on our Board as the Coaches Rep, but he has stepped down as the High School Representative. Dan Peterkoski, the girls' team coach at Upper Arlington HS, has agreed to serve on our Board as the new High School Rep. I'm sure that all of you join me in welcoming him to the leadership team in our LSC!

As you will hear in Tim Myers' Treasurers report, we are well on our way to fiscal health, and we have sound fiduciary systems and management in place. We are in the process of having our 2006/2007 books audited by an outside firm, and we expect to have a satisfactory outcome to that audit.

Convention highlights: The 2007 USAS Convention was held in Garden Grove, CA last month. Your delegation took advantage of the many workshops and meetings designed to help us in the governance of the LSC and the development of our programs. There were two pieces of legislation that were passed that are worthy of noting, since they will affect us directly now and in the future. First, there are going to be new financial and fiduciary management reporting requirements for all LSC's. Our treasurer, Tim Myers, has been a member of an ad hoc committee of USA-S to develop these over the past year. We should have no problems complying with these now and in the future. Second, there were a couple of pieces of legislation regarding athlete involvement in committees and governance of all LSC's. I will be working with the BOD and Committee Chairs over the next year to make sure that we have the appropriate athlete representation on the various committees and boards. This is especially important with regard to activities that affect or could affect our athletes directly (e.g., Board of Review, Age Group Committee, Senior Committee, etc.).

Finally, I plan to activate the ad hoc committee that was formed a couple of years ago to investigate the feasibility and establishment of a permanent office for Ohio Swimming. The target of this group will be to have such a function up and running for us by the end of the 2008/2009 swimming year. We gathered a lot of good information and contacts at this year's convention that will help us in implementing the right system and operation for Ohio Swimming.

Respectfully submitted,

Dick Boettcher

General Chair, Ohio Swimming, Inc.

Treasurer's Report (Myers):

- Budget Report can be found on OSI website.
- Championship fund and travel fund dollars dispersed to teams.
- Money put in CDs and savings.

Registration Chair's Report (Schwab):

- Teams need to remember to use the current year transmittal of funds form (on the OSI website).
This form helps Erin track financial transactions.
- Remember to use CURRENT year forms that are online!**
- Problems with unregistered swimmers at meets from LC 2007! USA Swimming has closed out 2007 registrations. Erin is working on resolving this issue.
- Clarification of attendance at the House of Delegates meetings. Teams must send the LSC 1 or LSC 2 rep to the meetings.
- Club membership: Any change in the name of the person representing your club needs to be done in writing to the Secretary or the Registration Chair **in advance of the meeting (48 hours)**. No change and the name is different is than what Erin has, technically, the team should not be allowed to vote.

Registration Procedures:

Transmittal of Funds Form:

Use CURRENT Transmittal of Funds (TOF) form on the website.

Indicate which batch number and when batch was sent on the top of the form:

2008 Ohio Swimming Registration Transmittal of Funds
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Please complete the proper section of this form EACH time you submit registrations and payments. Please send the Hy-Tek registration export list of athletes along with the payment, any transfer forms and this TOF form. All paperwork and fees must be included with this form in order to be processed.

Club: _____ Date: _____

Electronic Athlete Registrations:

Date emailed: _____ Batch #: _____ # of Records: _____

****Be sure to also include the Team Manager Printout of the Export, transfer forms and payment.

a. Transfers:

Transfers need to be done through the club registration contact. I will return any transfers received outside the club registration contact. This ensures that:

- A. The club is aware of the transfer
- B. The club has the current information in their database
- C. The club registration contact will ensure the date of last competition on the form
- D. Eliminates confusion with SWIMS of “double transferring” which overrides the 120 days originally input into the system.

Transfer dates are important! If there is no transfer date on form, date of transfer will be the date transfer form received.

b. High School:

If HS athlete is planning on swimming post HS season, need to get a full-year membership. Seasonal fees are not credited toward a full year membership.

c. Club Registration Contact:

If the club registration contact changes at any point during the 2007-2008 swim season: **BE SURE TO LET REGISTRATION CHAIR KNOW!** Receipt of cards and registration correspondence regarding athletes is done through this person.

d. Unregistered Athletes at meets:

If pre or post verification of meets produces athletes that are unregistered, the club has 2 weeks to respond to the initial notification. If no response is received or negotiated timing is not met, the club status will change from active to “inactive” in SWIMS, a \$100/athlete/event fine will be imposed and the athlete’s times will be deleted from SWIMS. Results of the inactive status:

- A. The club will not have insurance therefore not be able to host a meet
- B. The athletes will not be able to participate on relays, as their affiliation will be “unattached”

Meet verification:

Pre-Meet Verification: Need a full meet backup of database.

If host clubs receive a verification report from the registration chair:

Fix clerical errors in Meet Manager: misspelled names, USA ID errors.

Fix attachment status in Meet Manager **ONLY** if indicated in the report.

Do not contact any clubs regarding registration issues.

Stats:

Year	Regular	Seasonal	Outreach	Single Meet	Coaches	Officials	Other	Total Membership	Clubs
2002	4523	485	2		238	282	114	5642	52
2003	4656	397	30		274	287	124	5765	65
2004	4764	482	24		283	283	101	5931	60
2005	5201	510	13		298	291	87	6395	62
2006	4999	564	6	4	314	309	81	6270	62
2007	5065	473	7	3	287	307	98	6233	55

Coaches:

- After 7/15/08: Lifeguard certification will no longer be accepted to satisfy the Safety Training for Swim Coaches (STSC) certification
- Any coach whose lifeguard certification expires on or after 7/15/08 will be required to get a STSC certification to satisfy that certification.

Administrative Vice Chair (Reynolds):

- No report at this time.

Officials (Bockstiegel):

- Still receiving complaints that there are not enough officials at some sessions. (Need Mike's report on number of officials' numbers per meet).
 - Discussion of staffing of meets. Possibly asking teams to provide x number of officials based on entrants per session. Maybe offer as volunteer hours for own meets as all teams would have to provide officials.
 - Clinics** - We are in the midst of our fall clinics. Columbus, Dayton and Cincinnati clinics have been held. The Toledo clinic will be next week and is the last clinic. While we generally get more new officials in the fall, these numbers are of concern. Clubs need to work to continually increase the number of officials they have.
- 'Y' officials** take the written test. And do observation.

Staffing of meets

We continue to have problems properly staffing the deck at some (certainly not all) meets. I believe we need to make mandatory requirements for clubs to provide officials at all meets. This is a point for discussion.

Each team attending a meet should be required to provide officials at a session if that team has 10 or more swimmers in the session. 9 and under = official not required. 10-25 = 1 official. For each additional 25 swimmers, an additional official is required. By instituting this, we should have fully staffed decks at all sessions.

Officials need to be members of USA Swimming for insurance purposes and are required to attend an annual clinic. There is a cost associated with this. I believe the clubs should pick up this cost. If each club has one official for every 10 swimmers, they can increase the club dues by \$6.00 per swimmer to cover the cost of registration (\$54) and the annual clinic (\$6) the official is required to attend.

Clinics

We are in the midst of our fall clinics. Two Cincinnati clinics have been held. The Columbus clinic is today. The Toledo clinic will be 10/10 and Dayton is scheduled for 10/22. There were thirty new officials at the Cincinnati clinics.

Marshals

At the USA Swimming convention, they passed a rule change that removes the requirement that marshals be members of USA Swimming for insurance purposes. They checked with the insurance provider and there are no problems with this. I have not disseminated this information, as there is nothing official on the USA Swimming web site yet.

It is the responsibility of the meet host to provide at least four marshals per pool for warm-ups. Officials generally handle these duties but marshals are not required to be officials. Marshals are under the direct supervision of the session referee. We want to be certain they are trained properly if they are not USA Swimming officials (who have been trained). Marshals are observers/facilitators. If there is a problem with safety during a

warm-up session, they need to discuss their concerns with the coach responsible. If the situation is not resolved, then they need to discuss with the session referee for further action. We don't need cops, just observers to ensure safety during warm-ups. No whistles, etc. should be used which can disrupt the warm-up session.

Respectfully submitted,
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Pat Lundsford: Looking at joint certification of 'Y' and USA Officials.

NTV (Schwab):

-Post meet observation problems. Must have his district meet heat sheets

Approved Meets:

Highlights/Procedures/Reminders:

- Approvals are conducted in accordance with USA Swimming technical rules.
- Both USAS athlete members and non-USAS athlete participants may compete in an Approved Meet.
- An application for recognition of an Approved Meet shall be submitted to the NTV Chair no later than ten (10) days prior to the competition. Application for approval shall be accompanied by complete meet or event information and a check for \$100 made out to Ohio Swimming Inc. Approval forms are located on the Ohio Swimming website.
- There must be a sufficient number of certified USA Swimming officials, at a minimum of Stroke and Turn level, present to observe and certify that the conduct of competition and all times achieved in such competition are in conformance with all applicable USA Swimming technical rules, but not limited to, the following:
 - Individual stroke and relay rules (Article 101)
 - Entry limit per day (102.2.2 & 102.2.3)
 - False start rule (102.14.5)
 - Requirements for official time/performance (102.16.4 A (1) & (2))
 - Timing resolution (including table) (102.16.4 B & C)
 - Minimum standards for facilities (103.2.1, 103.2.3, 103.3 103.11.1 & 2 and 103.13)
- The organization requesting approval must permit USA Swimming officials to be on the deck at both ends of the course where they can properly view strokes and turns.
- Complete electronic meet results shall be submitted to the NTV Chair within two weeks of the completion of the Meet.

Observed Meets:

Highlights/Procedures/Reminders/CHANGES:

- An Observed Meet (see USA Rulebook, Article 202.5) is a meet held under rules other than those of USA Swimming, but from which certain times can be used for entry into any USAS Meet. USAS certified officials observe individual swims and provide verification that the swimmer has complied with current USA Swimming Rules.
- The Meet must be a season-culminating Championship or a meet that has approval from the program operations chair of USA Swimming through the National Times Chair.

-An application to have a Meet recognized as an Observed Meet must be submitted to the NTV chair at least ten (10) days prior to the Meet. Application for observation shall be accompanied by complete meet or event information and a check for \$100 made out to Ohio Swimming Inc. Meet observation forms are located on the Ohio Swimming website.

-USA Swimming observers must be present at the Meet. Observers must be currently certified at Stroke & Turn level or higher. At least two (2) observers are required at each session; observers may not work as regular officials at the meet. Names of the officials must be included on the application.

-In order for an 'observed' swim to be recognized by USAS, the observed swimmer must be a current member of USA Swimming at the time of the swim.

-Complete electronic meet results shall be submitted to the NTV Chair within 7 DAYS of the completion of the Meet. Heat sheets from the observers MUST ALSO be submitted to the NTV chair in order for the meet to qualify for loading into SWIMS.

NCAA Meets:

Key components of the process:

- Division I schools only
- USA-S maintains official team rosters
- Rosters are downloaded by host and loaded into meet management.
- All results are submitted to: ncaa@usaswimming.org within 48 hours
- Results are processed daily
- A top times listing will be posted every Wednesday on usaswimming.org/NCAA and the NCAASports.com websites
- Division I championship entries are processed through OME – best times only to be used for championship entry.

Changes in the NTV process for observation of NCAA meets:

- Request for observation process remains the same for all Division I, II and III schools
- LSC Times officer will load only Division II and III meets into SWIMS
- LSC Times Officer will not load Division I meets into SWIMS, but must report all infractions from the meet to USA Swimming within 10 days of the meet.

Conditions for Observation Authorization:

- The meet shall be on the published schedule
- Timing systems in compliance with Article 102.16 in the USA Swimming Rules and Regulations book.
- NCAA officials must be in compliance with Article 102.12 in the USA-S rule book
- All meets except dual meets require: 1 Referee, 1 Starter, 2 S&T judges (4 total).
- Dual meets require 1 Referee who may also be a S&T judge, 1 Starter, and 1 other S&T judge (3 total)
- There must be one official stationed on each end of the pool.
- If the NCAA officials are dually certified and there is at least one at each end of the pool, no additional observers are necessary. If two observers are utilized, one must be at each end of the pool.

Collection of registration fees

Pat Lunsford: NCAA is already in the works. The next step is to incorporate that with the YMCA programs in the database.

Top 16/Records (Peaden):

OHIO RECORDS REPORT

Ohio Long Course Records

- A total of thirteen (13) Ohio Championship meet records and seven (7) Ohio Local Swimming Chapter (LCS) records were broken during long course 2007. These records will be added to the

overall long course suite of records that are being compiled and posted to the OSI website in the coming months. No "Records Applications" were received by the Records Chair in long course 2007, so if a club is unsure if a record has been captured, they can inquire from the Records Chair.

Ohio Short Course Records

- Last year's Ohio short course records were updated in May 2007. No "Records Applications" were received by the Records Chair in long course 2007, so if a club is unsure if a record has been captured, they can inquire from the Records Chair.
- We will not be posting Ohio Open Water records to the OSI site. This follows the Central Zone policy for records due to course various, water conditions, and other anomalies that occur from year to year making Open Water records inconsistent.

National "Top 16" Certificates

- All certificates from short course 2005-2006 and long course 2006 have been distributed to clubs.
- A "preview" of short course 2006-2007 and long course 2007 will be posted to the USA-Swimming website under "Time/Time Standards" on Nov 1, 2007. Certificates will be sent to the USA Records Chair sometime after Nov 21, 2007.
- All certificates are awarded based on times that are ranked in the top 16 in the USA-Swimming SWIMS database at the conclusion of the sc and lc seasons. Simply achieving a "Top 16" time standard does not generate a National Top 16 certificate.
- The Toyota National Club Championships is now available on the USA-Swimming website. This program extracts results from the official USA SWIMS database, applies an IMX ranking to each performance, and creates a national club ranking. Certain criteria apply; please review the guidelines on the USA-Swimming website.
- USA-Swimming will be implementing a "mythical" point system based on top 16 times for each age group. Details coming soon.

SWIMS and SWIM CONNECTION

- All Ohio Sanctioned meets from sc 2007 and lc 2007 have been uploaded to the official USA-Swimming "SWIMS" db, as well as the official Ohio "SWIM CONNECTION" db.
- All results can be viewed in the public-access "SWIMS" database at www.usaswimming.org, select "Times/Time Standards" from the main menu.
- Coaches and team managers should know that Hy-Tek "result files" for every meet an Ohio swimmer attends, whether in-LSC or out-of-LSC, are always available at Ohio's "SWIM CONNECTION" within a day or two after the conclusion of the meet, as long as you request and gain approval for "meet manager privileges" when you logon. Go to www.swimconnection.com/oh/ ...no more waiting around after a meet to get your results file!!

Respectfully Submitted by:

Brent Peaden

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OHIO RECORDS CHAIR

Pat Lunsford: Single age top ten. Debate to start at 11 or age 10. Supposed to increase numbers and recognition.

Safety (Pristash):

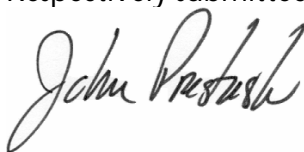
Risk management services seminar. A lot of support through usa and risk mgmt to answer questions. From coverage to fundraisers, improving contact b/t club and pool site. Timeline for the report of occurrence form.

1. 2007 Six Month (January-June) Accident statistics.
 - a. 530 accidents reported nationally (up slightly from 507 last year).
 - b. 12 accidents reported in Ohio (down slightly from 15 last year).
 - a. Summary/statistics available: contact John Pristash.
2. Report of Occurrence (accident) form

- a. Please make sure that you are using the new "updated" form (should say "Revised 5/2007" in lower right corner).
 - b. Form currently available from USA Swimming web site, and from the Ohio Swimming web site (has correct addresses where forms are to be sent).
 - c. Make sure that all accidents are reported, regardless of their severity.
 - d. Attach any additional documentation (facility report, newspaper article, witness statements, etc.).
3. Information from "USA Swimming Risk Management Workshop" (August 17-18, 2007).
- a. Insurance Coverages:
 - Can be found on the USA Swimming web site.
 - Go to "Swim Clubs" tab, then "Insurance & Risk Management".
 - This section contains a series of articles from the Safety Quarterly, a link to the Safety/Loss Control Manual, and the booklet Frequently Asked Questions.
 - USA Swimming is "secondary coverage" to member's primary coverage.
 - If there is no primary coverage, USA Swimming has a \$100.00 deductible, then full coverage up to \$25,000.00.
 - MUST be members of USA Swimming to effect coverage.
 - b. "Swim-a-Thons": not covered unless approved by USA Swimming (has sanctioning rights).
 - c. Club Sponsored Activities:
 - If unsure of coverage, contact Sandy Blumitt (800.777-4930) @ Risk Management Services.
 - She will confirm/deny coverage, and put it in writing.
 - d. Persons to Contact at USA Swimming for Questions (see handout).
 - e. Swim Tryouts:
 - Covered by USA Swimming Insurance.
 - Recommendation: prior to tryout, secure a completed application and check.
 - If swimmer decides not to join, check can be returned, and application destroyed.
 - Shows intent, and coverage can be made.
 - f. Proof of Insurance:
 - Provides for proof of insurance for USA Swimming member clubs, who need an "Additional Insured Endorsement".
 - To obtain, see #3-a above.
 - Download "USA Swimming 2007 Insurance Summary". Directions are on page 12.
 - g. Club Contracts with Facilities:
 - If you have questions (concerning liability/insurance) about your club's contract with your pool, send a copy to Sandy Blumitt @ Risk Management Services.
 - They will review the document and make any necessary suggestions to modify the contract.
 - Facilities are usually agreeable to this.
 - h. Directors & Officers Liability Coverage:

- Highly recommended that clubs consider this type of insurance.
- Available through Risk Mgt. At greatly reduces fee (\$375.00 annually for \$1,000,000.00 coverage).
- Employees, volunteers, are covered along with the Board.
- i. Automatic External Defibrillators (AED's)
 - Although USA Swimming does not have a policy/requirement on AED's, they are highly recommended.
 - Make sure locations are made known to Coaches and Officials.
- j. Safety Training For Swim Coaches:
 - American Red Cross is promising a major restructuring for the STSC course.
 - No details were announced at the Risk Management Workshop.
 - Expected to be announced at Convention at end of September 2007.
 - If approved, should be effective October 2007.
- k. Report of Occurrence Form:
 - Triggers a claim form to the swimmer's parent/guardian (2-3 days)
 - Form is usually sent for any occurrence where swimmer was referred to Doctor or Emergency Room.
 - Forms are also used by USA Swimming and Risk Mgt. to track problematic areas, and suggest revisions for safer facilities and policies.
 - Please use current form!!! (currently available from USA Swimming web site, and from the Ohio Swimming web site).
- l. Water Depth Study (for diving):
 - Soon to be published by Councilman Center For Aquatic Research at Indiana Univ.
 - Studied relationships between water depth, block height, age/experience of swimmer, and head depth.
 - Preliminary findings:
 1. Older the swimmer = deeper he/she dives.
 2. Higher block height = greater head depth.
 3. BUT: deck dive and dive from 30" depth = same head depth.
 4. More experienced swimmers better able to control depth of dive.
 5. "teaching" vs "practicing": currently being studied by USA Swimming.
 6. Possibility of some sort of "certification" to USA Swimming that a swimmer has completed a given # of dives, and taught the "proper technique", and is therefore "qualified" to dive in 4' of water.
- m. Safety Loss Control Manual:
 - Revised August 2007,
 - New additions:
 1. Facility & Emergency Action Planning (page 7)
 2. Hypoxic Training (page 28)
 - Manual available for download at USA Swimming web site.

Respectively submitted:



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Adapted (Ewald):

Ohio has been well represented in the pool on the adapted side of swimming the past six months. Beth Kolbe (Boston, MA-Harvard University/Tiffin, OH-Seneca Aquatic Klub), S3 classification, swam to capture a gold medal in the 50 Backstroke, Silver in the 50 and 100 Freestyle and a Bronze in the 200 Freestyle. Kolbe, a co-captain of the young Parapan Am team, had the distinct honor of winning the 54th medal for the US Team. Peggy Ewald (Ada, OH-Ohio Northern University/Tiffin, OH-Seneca Aquatic Klub) served as Head Coach for the Parapan American Games.

The US Paralympic Swim Team also competed July 13-15 at the Summer Can-Am Championships in Vancouver, British Columbia. Both Ohio swimmers, Kerley and Kolbe earned medals in the meet. Kerley earned gold in the 50 Free and as a relay member of the 400 Free Relay, as well as bronze in the 100 Free. Kolbe earned gold in the 150 IM and bronze in the 50 Backstroke and 50 Free. Head Coach Peggy Ewald of Seneca Aquatic Klub, Tiffin, OH was an assistant coach for the US Paralympic Team.

Head Coach of the Westerville Aquatic Club, Jim Peterfish, accepted the position of National Coordinator/Head Swim Coach for USABA (United States Association of Blind Athletes). USABA's Team USA swimmers at the World Youth Games performed well in the meet held during July in Colorado Springs.

Thank you to all Ohio clubs that hosted meets and included the new statement into Meet information regarding the inclusion of disability swimmers. Ohio currently has under 10 swimmers with disabilities competing, but those that are competing, are doing well in abled body programs. USA Swimming is committed to inclusion. Please keep up the good work and encourage your programs to accept these athletes into your programs and meets.

A reminder that four Ohio swimmers with a disability may be entered the Central Zone meet without meeting the time standards. For Ohio Swimming Championship meets, swimmers with a disability may enter if they qualify in at least one event for the US Paralympic National Championships.

The next meet for swimmers with a disability to be classified is December 6-8, at the Can-AM Open Meet, University of Maryland, College Park, MD. Information is available on the adapted page of swimohio.com

A special thank you goes to Chris Pierson of GTAC for all the fine work on the swimohio.com web site.

Respectfully submitted,
Peggy Ewald, Ohio Adapted Chair

Jim Peterfish: Need information about any swimmers who is being provided services with blind /legally blind with correction. Wants to know who out there is participating, etc.

Outreach (Karn):

-No Report

Application process, grants available, how to reach out to disadvantaged communities. How to spend this \$\$\$.

-Contact Tammi if you need an application for any potential outreach athletes.

Pat Lunsford: Josh Project. USA Swimming is hosting a diversity clinic at the end of October.

Website (Pierson)

- Tutorial on website.
- How to add meet information,

Age Group Chair (Carrigan):

- No more questionnaire for championship meet bidding.
- JO LC 07 too big. Committee has three suggestions.
- Time standards change to 28th entry time to summer lc, 9 to 7 entry events, dropping 6 events.
- Age Group Committee
- Aging up from 12-13 between championship meets (allowed 200 stroke event at NT if have 11-12 cut in 100).
- Short Course 07-08 allowed to use LC State cuts to enter.
- State Age Group high point: use traditional points
- State Swimmer of the meet: use Hy-Tek power points
- SC Time standard change: Boys 1650 (only change for 07-08). Still using the 2-year time standard cycle.

Chip Carrigan – Committee Chair

Please visit the Age Group Committee page at

http://www.swimohio.com/HOD/Age_Group/Default.aspx, as most of the following documents are posted for your review.

Senior Chair (Black):

- Summer sc meet 08 – a few changes to order of events, 16 relays at night NOT 18, points to top 4 finishers in bonus heat, inviting Lake Erie to lc meet; not alternating who is hosting lc meet, 2/29-3/2 Senior meet – Oxford, OH
- 3/27-3/30 Sectionals - Indy Long Course
- 4/3-6 grand prix @OSU
- 7/15-7/19 Sectionals - Bloomington
- 7/24 - 7/27 Ohio Senior Champs - BGSU
- 7/29 - 8/2 US Open - Minneapolis
- 8/4 - 8/8 Jr. Nats - Minneapolis

Technical Planning Chair (Nye):

- working through age gp /sr and coaches.

Coaches Report (Davis):

- recognize swimmers better especially on website, trials down to sectionals. Working on getting camps started. Proposal requiring teams to have an athlete rep to house of delegates mtg. Dick B. to research the bylaws and make it fit with the bylaws and athlete representation. Mark thinks they need to be more involved.

High School (Peterkowski):

- swimposium. Best in over 5 years. Over 100 coaches attend. Greg Troy, Guy Edson, Bill Wadley. Encourage clubs and coaches to attend. Set for next 2 years 1st weekend in October.

Zone Report (Peaden):

1. 2007 Central Zone Championship Summary

Teams: Ohio, Arkansas, Lake Erie, Illinois, Indiana, Oklahoma, Midwestern

Location: Cleveland State University

Dates: Aug 3-4-5, 2007 (Registration was Aug 2, Open Water was Aug 6)

175 Ohio athletes participated. Ohio finished 3rd overall in pool events and 2nd overall in Open

Water Championships. The 10 & Under girls won their age group, the 11-12 boys and 10 & under boys finished 2nd in their age groups. Tommy Brewer (DR) won overall male highpoint for the 10 & under boys. Other Ohio top 8 finishers were: Abby Chin, 14, (UASC), Maddie Schaffer, 10, (DR), Cara Norris, 10, (CAC), Grace Long, 10, (UASC), Abby Stone, 10, (NAAC), Gabriel Whitaker, 10, (GCST), Elizabeth Harty, 12, (UASC), Connor Trimble, 12, (GTAC), and Bryan McNamara, 12, (RAYS).

2. **2008 Central Zone “Mega Zone” Championships**

Teams: All 15 Local Swimming Chapters (LSC's) in the Central Zone,
Location: IUPUI Natatorium, Indianapolis (IN)

Dates: Wed Aug 6 – Sun Aug 10, 2008 (Open Water, Registration, and one round of 13-14 and 15-18 relays will take place on Wednesday)

The 2008 meet is projected to attract 1800 athletes – making it the largest Zone meet historically in the USA. This meet is on the 5 year Anniversary of the last “Mega Zone” which took place in 2003. Ohio will have lodging and travel team details posted to the OSI website in the coming months.

3. **2009 Central Zone Championships**

Teams: Ohio and other teams TBA

Location: Noblesville (IN)

Dates: Aug 7-9, 2009 (Registration on Aug 6, Open Water on Aug 9)

4. **Time Standards**

Swimmers who achieve a AAA National Time Standards for 2005-2008 qualify for the Ohio Zone Team. This is approximately the top 3% of times nationally. (Open Water even is National “A” in distance freestyle).

5. **Website**

Visit the Ohio Swimming, Inc (OSI) website at www.swimohio.com and select “All Star Teams” from the menu.

6. **E-Mail Distribution List**

Parents & swimmers wanting to be added to the “Ohio Zone Team” distribution list send an e-mail to the Ohio Zone Team Coordinator Brent Peaden at bpeaden@woh.rr.com

Respectfully Submitted by:

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OHIO ZONE TEAM COORDINATOR

Respectfully Submitted,

Sanctioning/Scheduling Chair (Harker):

-Please use current forms. Too many of us are using the wrong form.

-ALL observed and approval applications MUST now go to Erin!!!!

-Bidding on '08 Short Course meets

Athlete's Report:

-debate on lc 50s for 13-14. Report on trip to usas.

Nominating Committee (Boettcher):

-All nominees for new officers, the Board of Review and the Nominating Committee were accepted within each group as a slate with no nominees from the floor. Each was moved, 2nded, and voted on independently (pass).

Old Business:

New Business: 10/11 Randy 5:30-9:30 Club Leadership and business school. Keating Natatorium.

Spring Meeting Location: Mason Community Center, Date TBD.

Adjourned: 4:22 p.m.