

MINUTES
HOUSE OF DELEGATES
SOUTHEASTERN SWIMMING, INC.

A regular meeting of the HOUSE OF Delegates of Southeastern Swimming, Inc. was called to order at 8:37 am. on October 2, 2005. Ed DeBruyn was in the chair and Clark Hammond was appointed secretary. The secretary called the roll.

The minutes of the last meeting of the House were approved as written.

Report of Officers:

General Chair: Ed DeBruyn. The report is on file with these minutes.

Administrative Vice-Chair: Brian Wrighton - No report.

Registration/Membership: Tom Healey. Tom Healey report is on file with these minutes. In summary, registrations were up 5% over last year. Tom thanked everyone for doing a good job of sending him the SD3 file prior to their meets. He reminded everyone to use "UN" for unattached without any further extension, such as "UN-NAC" since it will be suspended in the holding tank in USA Swimming's program.

Treasurers Report: Clark Hammond. The report is on file with these minutes. The treasurer reported that cash on hand as of August 2005 was \$168,625.00.

Age Group Vice Chair: Jackie Bertucci. Jackie gave a report on the zone meet. She advised everyone that at least one national cut was achieved at the meet.

Senior Vice Chair: Joe Goeken: The report is on file with these minutes. Joe provided highlights from this previous year's competitions. He mentioned the performances by Kristy Coventry, Margaret Hoelzer, Margo McCalley and Stephanie Napier as some of the notable performances at seniors by swimmers within our LSC. He stated that Spring Sectionals would be March 9-12, 2006, Summer Sectionals would be July 13-16, 2006. The US Open is scheduled for December 1-3, 2006.

Technical Chair: Rick Bishop. Rick reported on the decisions made during the Technical Committee. He announced that new time standards have been approved and will be posted. The swimmer of the year is Margo McCalley and the coach of the year is Gardner Howland. Rick also reported that Gardner Howland will be the new Technical Chair.

President: Ben Davis – No report.

Committee Reports:

Athletes: Jennifer Molchan and Anna Sirmon – No report.

Officials: Stephanie Nadeau. The report is on file with these minutes. In the absence of Stephanie, Ed DeBruyn gave the report. The LSC currently has 335 active officials. THE LSC will be sending 3 officials to the national officials' clinic. There is a meeting of all LSC Officials chairs to be held in Omaha. Stephanie is working on making sure each club that runs meets has a head official for training and communication purposes. In the packets were the new interpretations of the breaststroke and backstroke rules.

Laws and Regulations: Ed DeBruyn – Report under new business.

Safety: Cindy Smith: The report is on file with these minutes. In summary, there were 462 reported accidents nationally through 6/30/05. Forty-three percent of the accidents occurred in the water while greater than 50% of the accidents occurred out of water. There is a discussion nationally about how to handle lightning during any form of swimming activity. Generally, you should have local rules which determine how this is handled, but if you do not, then it is recommended that there be a wait of 30 minutes between lightning and thunder.

Adaptive Swimming: Rayleen Soderstrom. The report is on file with these minutes. In summary, US Open is set for December 8-10, 2005. USA Swimming has decided to recognize US Paralympics at any USA Swimming

designated meet. The Zone Meet allows each LSC to send disabled swimmers to the meet. Last year only 7 swimmers attended and competed. Georgia sent 4 and all other LSC's sent 3. Rayleen would be seeking assistance from coaches and teams to identify and recruit disabled swimmers to compete at Zones next swimmer.

NTV/Top 16: Trish Mitchell. The report is on file with these minutes. In summary, SWIMS originally only used to determine proof of time for national meets. No the database will be used for all swimmers. Trish reminded everyone that she can only load meets from SES teams. If you swam outside the LSC, there is nothing she can do. It is up to the host club of that meet to make sure times are uploaded. Trish is available to assist any club if they run into any issues getting time loaded by teams outside our LSC. Another issue is that SWIMS does not pick up the initial distance. You must request that that information also be uploaded. SWIMS will pick up relay lead off swimmer's initial leg. If the name of the relays swimmers is not already in the meet database, then SWIMS will not upload that relay. The remaining time was spent in general questions and answer discussion about the SWIMS program.

TOP 5/Records: Kim Sargent/Lisa Napier. No report.

Open Water: Brooke Pate. No report.

Finance: Terri Rice. No report.

Swim-A-Thon. Ronnette Jones. Ronnette advised the delegates about the plan for a Katrina Relief Fund. USA Swimming has committed \$130,000 to be given ½ to Red Cross and ½ Salvation Army. A discussion was held about how USA Swimming decided to allocate the money and whether or not any of the affected swim teams and LSC would receive any direct funds from USA Swimming.

Outreach: Vicki Balog. Vicki reported on the activities at Convention and that she felt the committee had not made much progress from last year. She discussed the extended outreach fee for those people effected by hurricanes and the need for those families to make sure that have a FEMA# so they can take advantage of the program.

Camps: Jeff Dellinger. No report.

Club Development: John Morse. The report is on file with these minutes. In summary, John reports on the activities of the national club committee and some of the initiatives and motivational programs being planned or implemented. He mentioned the Club Development program and the ranking of teaming. He also mentioned virtual club registration and purpose of the computer program associated therewith.

Old Business: NONE

New Business:

The Board of Directors approved the payment of \$5,000 out of the general fund to any team which runs the long course SES championship meet at facilities with two long course pools.

Hall of Fame: TNT Swimming was approved as the host for the 2006 Hall of Fame weekend to be held October 7 & 8, 2006 in Point Clear, Alabama.

Proposed Legislation:

The Chair announced as new business certain proposed legislation.

The House approved. R-1 dealing with changes in notification which changed the 30 days notice requirement to 15 days to present an amendment for a Season Schedule.

The House defeated R-2 regarding the requirement to provide recycling bins for plastics bottles at each meet.

The House rejected R-3 dealing with a proposed voting method to handle changes to the meet information during the first coaches meeting.

The House approved HK-1 dealing with a clerical issue.

The House defeated BD-1 which sought to increase reimbursements for travel to west coast meets.

The House voted to postpone BD-2 dealing with computer registration and entry requirements until more study on the issue could be performed.

MEET BIDS:

Southeastern Championships:

PILOT, Knoxville, TN. July 27-30, 2006

The meeting was adjourned at 10:23 am.

Dated: 10/31/05

/S/ Clark R. Hammond
Clark R. Hammond, acting secretary