

**MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING
OF HOUSE OF DELEGATES
OF SNAKE RIVER SWIMMING, INC.**

A special meeting of the House of Delegates was called to order at 2:40 p.m. on February 26, 2005, by General Chair, Al Luptak.

Attendance

A roll sheet was passed around, which will be attached to the original minutes. All teams were represented at the meeting, with the exception of Baker Swim Team and Eureka Swim Club.

Minutes of Previous Meeting

It was noted that the minutes of the last meeting did not include the date of the meeting (November 20, 2004). Linda Conger moved to accept the minutes with the inclusion of the date, Shirley Robinson seconded the motion, and the motion passed.

Swimposium

The swimposium will be held June 11, 2005, with meetings at the College of Southern Idaho and swim clinics at the Twin Falls pool. The charge for the pool is not yet known. The fee for CSI is \$250, but Maggie Wright is working to have the College President waive the fee. There will be presenters for parent meetings, club development and officials. Maggie will look into a lunch (charge around \$5) catered either by the College or a restaurant. Janice Favillo and Carla Gibson will be sending out specifics.

Zones

It was noted that Alaska has dropped out of the process for 2006, so the Zone meet in 2006 will be in Fresno, California.

Bobby Goldhahn and Janice Favillo will be the Zone coaches for the 2005 meet in Utah. The bus to transport the athletes will start in Caldwell and head east. The team may stop at Lagoon on the way home. T-shirt designs are needed. Athletes should start the application process if they know they are qualified. Linda Conger has a database for Zone considerations. If swimmers attend a meet outside of Snake River, send times to Linda.

All-Stars

The all-star meet will be called the Inland Northwest Challenge, and will be held at the Boise Y on April 30 and May 1. The idea is to have yard events and the same events run in meters. "B" times will apply. John Apgar felt that the selection process should be established, written down and followed from year-to-year. Linda Conger was asked to document the selection process used in the past for future all-star meets, and to include fee collection procedures. Coaches for this event will be Denise Thompson, Celeste Walz and Joe Neratko. Application information should be out to the coaches in the next week or so.

Long Course Practices

Celeste Walz will send out via email available dates for monthly long-course practices at the Twin Falls pool.

Privacy Issues

Al forwarded via email the USA Swimming privacy policy to all delegates. Al reminded the delegates that there was a deadline of May 1, 2005, to rectify any personal information appearing on the internet (SRS website as well as any individual Club websites). Al will attempt to get all USA Swimming members to sign a permission allowing their information to appear on the SRS website.

Summer Champs Format

Interest has been expressed to add the 800 freestyle event on the middle day of the Summer Championship meet. Patty Fisk moved that the 800 freestyle event should be added to the Saturday events after the 400 IM. The motion was seconded and unanimously passed.

Linda Conger moved to limit the total individual events allowed at the meet to six. The motion was seconded by Denise. After some discussion, the motion was tabled until the May meeting.

Bylaws and Standing Rules

Al stated that the Bylaws are in *.pdf* format on the website and that he is working to get them in *Word* format. Al also stated that he is continuing to work on the Standing Rules.

As to the enforcement of the Standing Rule that each team must have one official for every 12 swimmers, up to a maximum number of 10 officials, in order to host a meeting, Al sent emails to all teams not currently in compliance. Following discussion of this rule, Denise asked that the issue of whether the Rule needs to be changed be put on the May agenda.

Website

Al stated that Dave Wiles volunteered to be the SRS webmaster. Dave will work with Patty Stratton and Kathy Grover in this regard.

Financial Reports

It was noted that Peggy Hawkins, our Treasurer, is working on updating the financial reports of our LSC.

Workshops

Linda Conger will get another person to go with her to the Age Group workshop, since her way is paid for by USA Swimming. Dina will attend a registration workshop in April, and Joyce McInturff is planning to attend the next officials workshop.

Meet Fees

Al stated that it was his personal opinion that the LSC cannot legislate the event fees charged by each club. He also reiterated that he felt, and it was taught at administrative clinics, that the event fees should be directly related to the cost of the awards given at the meet.

Meet Vendors

It was noted that Idaho Falls, Twin Falls and Nampa had all experienced dissatisfaction with Pool 'n Patio as a meet vendor.

Billeting Swimmers

Denise Thompson informed us that in other LSCs, host families house swimmers from out of town. Denise proposed that each of our meet invitations include information regarding families who are willing to host visiting swimmers.

Timing System

Steve Vernon stated that the timing system charges included in the meet fees actually go to maintenance of all equipment. He stated that the traveling timing system is about 6 years old and recommended that the equipment fee currently being charged should be prioritized to replacement of parts for the timing system and a trailer with suspension system for hauling the timing system. Steve also suggested that some of the funds be used to purchase an underwater filming system. Al said that although there are funds for equipment maintenance, it has yet to be determined exactly what amount is available. When that information is available, the issue can be re-addressed.

Swimmers With Disabilities

Patty Fisk provided disability swim meet schedules. If anyone needs more copies, they should contact Patty.

Registration Information for Meets

Dina reminded everyone to send her a Meet Manager backup as soon as possible after set-up so she can check the swimmers' registrations. Then, if there should be a problem, there would be time to get the situation corrected.

Next Meeting

The next HOD meeting will be held at the May meet. One of the topics at the meeting will be to work out some Winter Championship glitches.

Respectfully submitted,

Joan Grady
Secretary