

OKS Diversity & Inclusion Committee Meeting
April 8, 2017, Oklahoma City

The following minutes are provided for informational purposes only and are subject to revision and approval at the next regularly scheduled meeting of the Oklahoma Swimming Diversity and Inclusion Committee.

Meeting called to order at 12:37pm

Those in attendance:

Kathy Mendez, Chair

Tyler Wyatt - Coach

Ben Harlow - Coach

Vida Berry - Coach

Georgette Smith - Coach

Diego H - Coach

Mila Loyla - Coach

Carolina Smith

Quinn Bunnag

Josie Uerling

Annie Kramer

Kathy Mendez informed the committee about the need for a mission statement. The statement should be something all could remember, guide the committee's actions, and spell out the overall goal.

Oklahoma Swimming Diversity & Inclusion Committee mission statement: provide program and policies to ensure everyone is welcome and has the opportunity to swim.

Kathy Mendez discussed the Multicultural Meet, which is June 10 - 11 in Ohio. The information went out to all teams and is posted on the OKS website. Twenty-five swimmers have registered so far. Registration closes on May 1 and the team will be announce May 4.

Vida Berry and Georgette Smith spoke about having a Diversity & Inclusion clinic and swim meet in Muskogee hosted by OKS. The committee was in agreement to having the event and selected the first Sunday of April beginning in 2018. Kathy Mendez formed a Multicultural Meet Task Force chaired by Vida Berry. Additional task force members are Carolina Smith, Quinn Bunnag, Tiffany Wu, Josie Uerling, Tyler Wyatt, Annie Kramer.

Kathy Mendez spoke about the need for funding for Diversity & Inclusion events and efforts. Ideas for grants and sponsorships were discussed. Kathy Mendez formed a Grant and Sponsorship task force with Tyler as chair.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:31pm

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy Mendez, OKS Chair