

Wisconsin Swimming House of Delegates Meeting
Tuesday, June 22, 2010
UW-Waukesha Room C101
7:15 p.m.

Those in attendance (as signed in): Drew Walden (General Chair), Lynn Stickels (MEYO), Bob White (SWAT), George Geanon (Officials Chair), Pat Lewno (Treasurer), Blaine Carlson (Secretary), Cathie Marty (Safety Chair), Kim Thompson, Kris Engstrom (WBSC), Troy Engstrom (WBSC), Randy Trowbridge (VAC), Brent Boock (EBSC), Scott Mueller (MFSC), Brenda Niemeyer (MSS), Adam Mania (SSTY), Laura Becherer (OZ), Sara Beam (WEST), Brett Wilson (DFAC), Bob Jenkyns (LAKE), Jake Johnson (BAC), Bob Alexander (J-Hawk), Hailey Schneider (Athlete Rep), Kelly Carlson (BST), David Anderson (Senior Chair), Luke Schumm (Age Group Chair), Rob McCabe (SHOR), Dave Westfahl (Tech Planning), Dave Joyce (Records/NTV's), Neil Wright (SEAY), Carol Graham (Registration Chair), Jeanne Drzewiecki (Admin. Chair), and two other members whose names are not decipherable (1 from WOW and 1 from EBSC).

Minutes approved for the April 24, 2010 House of Delegates Meeting

- Motioned by Jeanne Drzewiecki
 - Seconded by Dave Westfahl
- Minutes approved unanimously

Drew Walden - General Chair

- Talked about General Chair conference Calls
- All USA swimming members in the room will be required to be background checked.
- Voting for LSC Positions – any nominations from the floor – none. Jeanne moved to accept those that were running unopposed to be voted into another term. Seconded by Dave Westfahl passed unanimously.
- Volunteer of the Year vote: 3 candidates: Cara Steinhoff of ASC; Pat Lewno of SEAY; Joan Domitrz of J-Hawk. Winner is: Pat Lewno of SEAY and Joan Domitrz of J-Hawk tied for the award.

Jane Foley

- Speaking to LSC regarding the issues that USA Swimming is dealing with Child Protection.
- She works in Sensitive Crimes Unit of the DA's Office in Milwaukee County
- She works with victims of childhood sexual assault.
- As coaches we must have boundaries – not always clear cut when drawing the line. How do we define them?
- Example – what happens if the child after practice needs a ride home from practice? Coaches should not let them get in the car.
- What are the laws? They are complicated...
 1. Regarding sexual assault of children, has to do with the age of the child, increase of severity the younger the child, 12 & younger is a 1st degree sexual assault – most serious crime other than
 2. Second degree sexual assault – contact with a child's body (butt, etc.).
 3. No one can have sexual intercourse with a child age 16 or 17 (no penetration of any kind). If you are a teacher, school staff person, or a person that works or volunteers for a school and you do this it is a felony!
 4. Mandatory Report law – school teacher or someone that works for school is required to report any kind of sexual assault to the authorities.
 5. Club coaches not working for the school district are not mandatory reporters.
 6. If a child is having sex with a child it is against the law! Mandatory reporters must report this!
 7. If you saw something that you didn't feel good about regarding something that you saw on the pool deck you should go to the coach immediately and discuss it --- must have the conversations regarding the safety of our kids.
 8. Talk about face book, twitter, texting, email, etc.

Question: what should coaches be doing regarding touching a kid after a race? What is appropriate? Only touching above the shoulders, never initiated by the coach.

Think about these things and talk about them with your staff.

Dave Anderson asked Jane to put together some things that we as coaches should be aware of.

Coaches education seminar in the future regarding these issues.

Pat Lewno – Treasurer’s Report

- Landscape sheet.
- Travel fund \$43,477.76 in budget for travel expenses (includes meets run in May and 2 meets run in June).
- Budget will be presented at the next LSC Meeting.
- Committee chairs send budget requests via email to Pat by August 1, 2010.
- Travel Reimbursement Requests Spreadsheet. **See sheet at the end of these minutes.**
- Wisconsin Swimming Whistleblower Policy – must be on file for our 990 long form. We didn’t have one, so Pat put together a sample for review. The Board of Directors suggested changing point 9 from “5 business days” to “in a timely manner”. **See sheet at the end of these minutes.**
- Unrestricted fund balance—any ideas of what to do with the money? More than \$340,000 currently. Age Group and Senior Committees along with Tech Planning are looking at how to spend that money in the best interest of the swimmers.

Luke Schumm (Age Group Chair)

- Meet information is available on line for the 12 and under and 13 and over state meets.
- Meeting for Zone coaches following this meeting.
- September Meeting date for next Age Group/Sr. Committee Meeting.

Jeanne Drzewiecki – Sanctioning Chair

Meet schedule

- SWAT moving meet to October 2 and not on Oct. 10
- VAC Meet PO box needs to be changed to 930273
- BAC October 22 moved to October 15 and their October 23 meet is moved to Oct. 16.
- BST Meet Nov. 19-21 – 12 and Under for AM; 13 and Over in PM
- DFAC January 15 meet may be moved to Sun Prairie HS.
- CAST added a meet to January 21 and 22, 2011.
- Championship Meets:
12 and Under Meet bids BAC/LAKE/WEST – vote on site for this meet first -- 31 votes in the room. If one team wins by 16 votes or more then they will win. If less than 16 than the lowest team number will be dropped and revote.
Each team was given the opportunity to talk about their plans and answer questions about their bid.
Winner of the 12 and Under meet is: BAC with 20 votes out of the 31 votes turned in.

13 and Over State Meet bids –

Winner is: LAKE won with 25 votes.

Regional #4 meet will be hosted by Waukesha Express Swim Team

Regional #3 meet has two bids (Ozaukee and SEAY). Mail vote will be sent to the teams in that regional. Will be sent to the club’s voting member.

Motion to accept the meet schedule by Lynn Stickels seconded by Luke Schumm. Passed

- Rules changes to meet sanctioning – must include start and turn end depth when submitting a meet bid.

Dave Anderson – Senior Chair

Patty Kramer – Rules (presented by Carol Graham)

- Patty would like to run a 3rd Swimposium to try to grow the numbers of the event.

- Depositories change bylaw 6.7.1 voted at the last LSC Meeting on April 24. Bruce Stratton of USA Swimming approved the bylaw change.
- What kind of a date are we looking for for the Swimposium? September may be a better time? Sunday, September 26, 2011 will be the tentative date.

Carol Graham – Registration Chair

- Keep coach credentials current.
- If you have 1st aid then you must have Coaches safety training. If you have Lifeguarding you must take the 25 question coaches safety training test online through USA Swimming.
- Large numbers of fines due to a host club deck entering one of their own team's kids into the meet that aren't USA Swimming registered.
- Coulee Rapids Region Swim Club in LaCrosse has asked to be moved from WI Swimming to MN Swimming. They are close to MN and have about 20 swimmers. The board discussed this and came to the decision that they will not be allowed to move to MN Swimming. Motion on the floor? Question was what did we do with Osceola Swim Club last year? We let them leave the LSC. Viewpoint of the Board was that since there is another club in LaCrosse that they should be kept in WI Swimming.
Motion passed to not allow them to leave WI Swimming.

Cathie Marty – Safety Chair.

Tech Planning (Dave Westfahl presented by Luke Schumm)

- See Time Standard Update Sheet **at the end of these minutes**.
- New times standard proposal will come out in October for the next fall/winter season.

Athletes Rep (Hailey Schneider)

- Lucas Kuriga will become Sr. Rep and we will be voting on another rep at the 13 and Over Meet.

Camps (Jacob Johnson/Brett Wilson) –

- No Zone Camp but some kind of get to know you "camp".
- Questions

Disability – Laura Becherer

Diversity Chair (Matt Wunderlin)–

- No Report

Open Water (Steve Keller presented by Luke Schumm)-

- State Open water meet will be the day following the 13 and over state meet.
- It will be on the same course that the Zone Meet will be on the following week.

Officials George Geanon-

- Ben Radloff and ??? will be officials for the 12 and Under officials.
- George Geanon and Bruce Barbee will be 13 and Over officials.
- Don Heinz and Frosty Girdley are officials of the year award winners.
- See George's handout regarding Rules Interpretations.
- Hard time during this year to get officials to fill all of the large meets coming up. Please encourage your officials to help out.

Dave Joyce – Records Chair

- Draft of State Record plaque order is posted online, will
- Double check it to make sure it is current.

Jeanne D. – rules for Patty Kramer

New Business –

- Diversity Camp – the swimmers that attended the Diversity Camp had a great time at the camp.
- They were challenged and had a wonderful time.

Meeting adjourned at 9:30 p.m.

Minutes submitted by Secretary, Blaine Carlson.