



Wisconsin Swimming Inc.

Meeting Title: Age-Group & Senior Committee

Chair: Kevin Milak

Date & Time: May 17, 2016, 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Location: Walter Schroeder Aquatic Center, Brown Deer

Present: See attendance sheet at end of report

1) Summer Championship Meet Information

a. Finalize versions from meet hosts

i. Silver State

1. What time can we get into the facility to begin warm-ups?

- a. Will keep the TBD for warm-up time for Friday and will attempt to have the meet finish around 7:30 p.m.

ii. 12&U State

1. Small changes in event order ... nothing serious

2. No mention of breaks, but will be slotted into the 10&U sessions to keep the meet from running to fast

iii. 13&O State

1. Eliminated the Wednesday mandatory meeting

- a. Will run a meeting 15-20-minutes prior to Thursday Prelims

2. Move distance event check-in by 4:00 p.m. on Wednesday

- a. What about the relays and other events?

i. Everything by 4:00 p.m. for each day of the meet?

1. Yes, for scratching and positive check-in

- a. Down seeding will take place if the deadline is missed

ii. Move to just email?

1. Yes, but there needs to be a response back to maintain a paper trail
 - b. 800 and 1500 Freestyle events will include the top ten athletes regardless of age
 - c. For the 400/800/1500 Freestyle and 400 IM Prelim swims will still plan to be combined and run fastest to slowest, alternating girls and boys
 - d. Proof of time deadline?
 - i. Wednesday, 4:00 p.m. for all events
 - b. Officials are still being finalized for our summer championship meets, but getting close to pinning them down
 - c. Turn meet information packets over to meet referees and Jeanne Drzewiecki
 - d. Planning guides finalized and posted May 17th
 - 2) Zone Meets Preparation, Staffing, and Updates
 - a. Open Water
 - i. Three coaches solidify, only budgeted for two
 1. Kevin Milak motioned to extend reimbursement to third coach (including outfitting), Frank Scott seconded, passed.
 - b. Mega Zone
 - i. Conference call from yesterday
 1. Sessions will be long
 - a. Eight years ago there was 1850 athletes
 - b. Right now there are over 1700 qualified
 2. Chase starts will be used
 - a. Will have three heats of 50s in the water at a time
 3. Questions about whether or not wedges should be used in the meet
 - a. WI LSC recommends not using them for the safety of the athletes
 - 3) LSC Leadership Conference Recap from Jacob Johnson
 - a. Look for an extensive report by the next Board of Directors meeting
 - b. Talks on inclusion and Board of Directors
 - c. Triple A time standards are not universal for qualifying times for Zones
 - d. Is there a connection between the relatively easy Zone qualifying standards and the fact that the Central Zone is ranked so poorly compared to other Zones?

- e. Some LSCs support certain levels of achievement
 - i. For example, if you are the Age-Group Coach of the Year, the LSC will send you to the ASCA world clinic
- 4) USAS Convention Planning
 - a. Emails sent out to members of the LSC who are allowed to attend to seek their input on whether or not they plan on attending and their rooming preference
 - b. Rooms are reserved, members will need to book their own flights
- 5) New business
 - a. Reviewed policy 2.8.1 in an effort to firmly understand what is a Quality Meet and how to add to it
 - i. Why is this important? Host teams who host a Quality Meet only forward 5% of the total meet fees instead of 10% to the WI LSC
 - ii. What are we attempting to place an incentive on?
 - 1. Meet length?
 - 2. Targeted age-groups?
 - 3. Would parents pay more to attend a shorter meet?
 - iii. Bottom line, the money you will make from hosting a meet won't amount to a hill of beans if you can retain the 20% of 10&U swimmers who quit the sport
 - iv. Another idea, set-up your event schedule with events newer swimmers will want to swim in the early part of the session
 - v. What about IMX? WI LSC is 47th of 59 LSCs
 - 1. Send this to rules
 - vi. Task Force to develop best practices
 - 1. Brent Boock, Rob McCabe, Dave Westfahl, Jacob Johnson, Brie Taylor
 - b. 10&U registration is down
 - i. Teams are going through AAU, going directly through Risk Management (only \$7 for insurance); of course they can't swim in sanctioned meets
 - ii. USA Swimming is looking at different ways to register athletes
 - 1. Look for something in September
 - c. Time Standards
 - i. Discussion about the proposed cuts
 - 1. Drew Walden motions to accept Jacob Johnson's proposal for discussion and voting (up or down) during the next Age-Group/Senior Committee meeting, Brie Taylor seconded, passed.

- d. Single Age Winter Championship Meet
 - i. Event order presented
 - ii. 11&U events
 - 1. Includes 8&U 25-yard events
 - iii. Looking for a host for December 2016 or January 2017
 - 1. Jeanne Drzewiecki will email out the event order to teams

Meeting Adjourned: 12:02 p.m.

Tentative Next Meeting: Brookfield City Hall, September 20, 2016, 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.