

February 11, 2019 @ 7:00 pm
Jewish Community Center, Squirrel Hill

Committee Members Present:

Charles Lersch, Chair - Coach	Christian Achillies - Coach	Kevin Clougherty – Coach
Diana Sutterlein – Parent (HD)	Annie Lawrence - Coach	John Gotaskie – Official/Parent (JCC)
Regan Drew – Parent (Moon)		

Guests Present:

John Nemeth – Coach (PEAQ)	Mike Kristufek – Coach (LEBO)	
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Non Attendees:

Noah Jamison - Athlete	Lucas Marsak – Coach	Al Rose – Coach
Donna Beyerl – Secretary- Official	Topher Bishop –Athlete	Pam Harder

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order 7:06 pm.

II. Approval of Minutes

Minutes from January 14, 2019, as amended – (M) Clougherty (S) Sutterlein – Minutes Approved unanimously

III. Reports - Group Discussion:

Mini/Distance @ WHAT & NHA – Charles gave an overview of his understanding of the BOD’s decision to cancel the meet. He was not part of the call. BOD had concerns that, if an emergency happened, AMS could be held responsible. A discussion ensued about how to address a similar situation in the future, and the BOD is examining the liability issue. Question of how to make-up these meets was given to this Committee and discussed prior to meeting via email. Recommendation of AGC to offer make-up meet to NHA & WHAT for weekend before Last Splash was previously provided to BOD.

AMS IMX Extreme Champs @ SPAC – Good meet. Everyone enjoyed it. Attendance was very light. Only PEAQ and SVSC went to DC for IMX national meet. Moreover, three club meet was cancelled due to weather. Strong belief that coaches do not understand how to calculate IMX/IMR points, and that contributed to low attendance. Consistently holding meet should improve attendance year-over-year.

Single Age High Point @ ANSC & BWA - ANSC meet went well and structure (4 sessions) was really appreciated by all. BWA meet did not go as well. Early warm up times (6:20 am) and only 2 sessions made for a very long day (over six hour sessions). Six hour sessions with very young swimmers not appreciated by parents or coaches.

IV. Unfinished Business

- A. 19/20 SC Meet Structures: Diana led discussion of draft structures. See notes taken on structure sheets (attached).
 - 1. Need to add a structure for Mini/Distance on Nov. 16/17 using same structure as October 19/20.
 - 2. Christmas Qualifier – Motion made to return to prelims/finals format for non-distance events – Drew (M); Sutterlein (S) – unanimously approved.
 - 3. Christian to provide Charles with tracks for Fall IM (no “X”) Sprint Challenge Meet.
- B. 2019 SC JOs Meet Structure: Thursday/Friday nights – distance; Saturday/Sunday – single morning sessions of non-distance events with evening finals. Does place a limit on number of events that can be swum (only 3 per day). There is an error on page 1, Qualifying Times. Should be “use the 15-**16** A” time standard. Recommendation of Committee to eliminate finals for 10&U (in compliance with National Rules) and instead create a “B” final for 15-18 year olds **only**. Use 9 lanes of deep end for prelims. Shallow end needs to be open for warm-ups throughout competition; small pool will not be open. It was agreed that PEAQ/TPIT may cut down on food provided for coaches/officials given only one prelim and one finals session on Sat/Sun.

V. New Business

- A. LC Meet Bids:
 - 1. General discussion of PEAQ, HD, and MLAC meet bids held, and bids were approved.
 - 2. MOON and JCC meets will likely be held; waiting on expected final bids
 - 3. GPAC cannot host meets this summer due to Steve’s health. Looking for Fox Chapel, Cavalier, Norwin and/or other clubs to step up and run LC meets at GPAC. Cost of pool rental at The Olympic Swim and Health Club is believed to be not prohibitive.
 - 4. Discussion of desire to use North Park Pool and difficulties related to same. Multiple teams would need to work together.
 - 5. Right now, there is no bid for LC JOs.

- B. Discussion regarding purpose of Single Age High Point meet—especially opportunity to make times. Need to work to lessen confusion among coaches.
- C. Single Age High Point – Motion to add qualifying time of less than “A” times – Gotaskie (M), Achillies (S) – unanimously approved.

Action Items: Complete Structures for Distribution by Monday, February 18, 2019

VI. Next Meeting

March 25, 2019 @ 7:00 pm @ The JCC Center, Squirrel Hill

VII. Adjournment

9:05 pm