

General Chair Report

Scholarship

The college of one of our 2014 scholarship award winners returned the check to the NSJ office because it was considered “pay for play”. Phil Spiniello reviewed this matter with the RU compliance officer who advised that the NCAA policy does not allow athletes who represented an LSC in a zone championship to accept awards from the LSC they represented. It would be permissible to accept the award if the group presenting the scholarship was a “booster” or “friends of” organization.

Resignation

Unfortunately Phil Spiniello has tendered his resignation since he and his wife, Trina, will be relocating to the Raleigh-Durham of NC. I thank Phil for his brief tenure as a member of the NJS BOD and his investigatory work on the scholarship issue. We wish them the best of luck in the Tar Heel state.

SPEEDO Meeting

Met with Stephanie Crofton, Greg Eggert, and Marie Labosky, (our SPEEDO representative) to discuss planning for the dealer selection process for the outfitting of our Zone team. While we have five more meets under our existing contract with SPEEDO, the 2015 LC meet will be the final one under our agreement with Metro Swimming. As such the bidding process will begin in May with an initial meeting scheduled for May 19th at The Atlantic Club with SPEEDO representatives and the four dealers who requested to bid.

Finance Review

The financial review for the years 2011 – 2013 has been completed and the report issued by the reviewer to the Finance Committee.

Lock Box

The lock box with Wells Fargo bank which was approved by the NJS BOD at the February meeting was established at the beginning of April. All cash receipts for NJS will be remitted directly by the member clubs to the mailing address of this lock box.

Metro LSC Meet in NJ

I was approached by Scott Bartleson, coach of the Wagner Aquatics Club of Staten Island, about hosting a meet at the Raritan Bay YMCA in mid-October. Such a meet would be sanctioned by NJS and subject to our policy procedures concerning the conduct of the meet. Have been in contact with Scott who asked that I thank the BOD who approved the granting of the sanction and have advised him NJS policies would govern the conduct of the meet.

EZ Meeting

Will be attending the EZ meeting being held at Virginia Beach on May 8-9th