



**Gulf Swimming, Inc.  
Gulf Swimming House of Delegates Meeting  
April 24<sup>th</sup> 2019**

Reminder: Next Technical Planning Committee Meeting  
Wednesday, June 12<sup>th</sup> at 7:30pm

Reminder: Next Board of Directors Meeting  
Wednesday, June 26<sup>th</sup> 2019 at 7:30pm

Reminder: Next House of Delegates Meeting  
TBA

Travis Sandifer, Gulf General Chair, called the Gulf Swimming House of Delegates meeting to order at 8:15pm in the DADS Club meeting room 1006 Voss Rd. Houston, TX. 77055.

Secretary Jennie Shamburger did roll call and team attendance. Clarification was made as to vote/voice for each coach / rep / BOD member.

The following board members were present:

Travis Sandifer	Laura Davis	Louis Demetriades	Katie Shelburne	Pete Wright
Charlie Fry	Eddie Adams	Jake Mitchell	Tim Bauer	
Jennie Shamburger	Clay Pruitt	Annika Ruehlicke	Jason Devine	
Bob Kizer	Paige Sikkema	Anisa Nelson	Gilbert Legaspi	

A quorum was represented.

The following Coordinators were also present:

***Mark Martinez / Diversity***

Coaches and /or team reps from the following teams were present:

BTA	HCAP	NOCH	RICE	TTST
DADS	LSST	PEAK	SHAC	TWST
ESA	MARC	PFL	SHRK	

Travis asked for a motion to approve the HOD minutes from the 1.30.19 meeting. Motion to approve was made and seconded. The minutes were approved.

Travis then read the LSC Mission Statement: *Gulf Swimming provides opportunities to learn, grow, and strive for excellence that develops leaders through competitive swimming.* This was followed by the Vision Statement for Gulf Swimming. *Competitive swimming for all.*

**NEW BUSINESS** No new business.

**UNFINISHED / OLD BUSINESS** No old / unfinished business.

### **FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND REPORTS**

Tom Hasz presented the 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter Financials. The P&L statement was reviewed. There is a correction to the budget from the January HOD meeting and the increase of the Coaches Clinic Budget.

Motion to accept all reports from Officers and Coordinators not pulled as consent agenda. Seconded. Motion to approve consent agenda passed and reflected below.

### **OFFICER REPORTS**

#### **ATHLETE REPRESENTATIVES**

Jake Mitchell/Annika Ruehlicke No report.

#### **GENERAL CHAIR**

Travis Sandifer

LEAP 2 renewal certification is complete. Travis presented the tentative Gulf Meeting schedule for 2019-2020. He made a motion to approve this schedule. Motion seconded. Motion approved. Travis discussed membership trends included in his report. Membership is down 12% but can continue to go up through August. Officials numbers are also down from previous years. USA Swimming expected membership to drop over a three-year period in conjunction with the addition of the Flex membership option. Travis welcomed Julie Bachman as the new Gulf Executive Director.

#### **ADMINISTRATIVE VICE CHAIR**

Charlie Fry

Charlie discussed list of fines by team for SC season. Checks should be sent to Tom Hasz at the Gulf office and need to be documented as to what they are for. Any questions about team fines go to Charlie. Loren Fishbach also emailed all teams listed with their fines attached. This is a good time to update team contacts if email wasn't received.

#### **SECRETARY**

Jennie Shamburger

No report.

#### **FINANCE VICE CHAIR**

Henry Clark

The BOD approved moving forward with the Hasty Awards / Gulf Swimming Citizenship Scholarship. Motion was made to approve the scholarship amount from Hasty (\$2000) and match the amount with \$2000 from Gulf Swimming to bring the total scholarship amount to \$4000. Motion seconded. Teams who work directly with Hasty Awards are encouraged

to recognize and thank them for this contribution. Motion approved.

**SENIOR VICE CHAIR**

Bob Kizer

No report.

**AGE GROUP VICE CHAIR**

Laura Davis

Report approved via consent agenda.

**MEMBERSHIP CHAIR**

Eddie Adams

Report approved via consent agenda.

**OFFICIALS CHAIR**

Tom Jones

Report approved via consent agenda.

**TECHNICAL PLANNING COMMITTEE CHAIR**

Clay Pruitt

Clay discussed the bid meeting results. The 2019-2020 meet schedule with hosts was presented. HOD needs to approve this schedule and the LC schedule. Motion to approve the 2019-2020 meet calendar as presented was made and seconded. The Gulf Allstar Camp dates have been confirmed and will be adjusted. Motion approved.

**SAFE SPORT CHAIR**

Paige Sikkema

Paige discussed the restarting of Safe Sport Mondays at the end of March. Safe Sport Club recognition has begun with USA Swimming. So far, only 20 clubs across the country are certified and none from the Gulf. Several teams are working on this certification. The program is like Club Recognition. Certified clubs receive a badge for their website.

**PAST GENERAL CHAIR**

Henry Clark

No report.

**COACH REPRESENTATIVE**

Louis Demtriades

No report.

**OPERATIONAL RISK/SAFETY COORDINATOR**

Todd Johnson

Report approved via consent agenda.

**REPORTS OF COMMITTEES AND COORDINATORS**

**SANCTIONS COORDINATOR**

Natalie Melenric

Report approved via consent agenda.

**NTV COORDINATOR**

Rick Kehlenbach

Report approved via consent agenda.

## **DISABILITY SWIMMING COORDINATOR**

Jennie Shamburger

Presented first report as coordinator. Gulf Swimming currently has 85 athletes identified in this category. Athletes self-identify when filling out USA Swimming registration. A “check the box” initiative will help the Gulf to be able to create programming for our disabled athletes as well as provide a more accurate snapshot of the diversity in our LSC. A task force will be formed in the fall to work on first year and long-term goals and programming for our LSC.

## **RECORDS COORDINATOR**

No report.

## **EQUIPMENT COORDINATOR**

Eddie Adams

New people are running the equipment. A list of names and contact numbers of people picking up and bringing back Gulf equipment is needed. The form for using Gulf equipment has been updated and is included in the HOD packet. Road tolls are the responsibility of the drivers, not Gulf Swimming.

## **CLUB DEVELOPMENT LIASON**

Dana Skelton

Report approved via consent agenda.

## **DIVERSITY COORDINATOR**

Mark Martinez

Three athletes will be attending the Southern Zone Diversity Camp – Daria Cole (SSS), Minnie Tran (LJST) and Darryl Fontenette (CFSC). Mandy Norris and Mark Martinez will also attend the Diversity Summit during the camp. Gulf swimming will ask \$75 from each athlete attending to help with airfare and Gulf will cover remainder of the costs.

## **OPEN WATER COORDINATOR**

Seth Huston

No report.

## **CAMP COORDINATOR**

Mandy Norris

No report.

## **ELECTION OF OFFICERS**

Travis read the slate of officers recommended from the nominating committee and opened the floor for any new nominations. Nominations from the floor were Jarrod Murphy (TWST) for Age Group Chair and Eddie Adams (AMBU) for an At Large position. Motion was made to close nominations and motion was seconded. Nominations were closed.

Positions by acclimation (no other nominations):  
General Chair / Travis Sandifer (KATY)  
Administrative Vice Chair / Charlie Fry (STA)

Secretary / Jennie Shamburger (RICE)  
Finance Vice-Chair / Henry Clark (AGS)  
Senior Vice-Chair / Bob Kizer (SPA)  
Technical Planning Chair / Clay Pruitt (KATY)  
Safe Sport Chair / Paige Sikkema (NOCH)  
Coaches' Representative / Louis Demtriades (CFSC)

First vote was for Age Group Chair. Jarrod spoke of his qualifications and Charlie Fry spoke for Dusti See who was not present. The first vote for Age Group Chair was a tie. A second vote was called for. Dusti See (MARC) won the vote for Age Group Chair. Motion was made to destroy the ballots. Motion was seconded and approved.

The At Large BOD nominees each spoke of their qualifications. The results of the vote for At Large BOD positions was: John Burke (PEAK), Kate Zabler (SHRK) and Eddie Adams (AMBU). Motion was made to destroy the ballots. Motion was seconded and approved.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The next TPC meeting is scheduled for June 12<sup>th</sup> and the next BOD meeting is scheduled for June 26<sup>th</sup>.

Motion to adjourn the HOD meeting was made and seconded. Meeting was adjourned at 9pm.

***Notes recorded on 4.24.19 and transcribed on 5.23.19 and submitted  
by Jennie Shamburger, Gulf Secretary.***