

Utah Swimming, Inc.

Board Meeting

Tuesday, June 12, 2012 @ 7:00 p.m., South Jordan Library Meeting Room
10673 S. Redwood Road, South Jordan, Utah

The meeting was called to order at 7:08 p.m.

Members present: Bob LeMon, Gwynne Freeman, Brad Nielson, Ben Rae, Brianna Francis, Chris Nielson, Chris Westra, Carri Oviatt, Kyle Westra, Debby Fleisch, Todd Etherington

Members excused: Lyse' Durrant, Dani Caldwell

Guests present: Christina Ross, Ron Lockwood, Dennis Tesch, Wayne Oviatt, Missy Bahr

May's Minutes were approved by an email vote; they were previously posted on www.swimutah.com.

Officer Reports

Acting General Chair: Bob opened with a few administrative motions. Mike Werner's resignation from USI needed to be accepted. Debby made the motion to accept, Kyle seconded the motion. All were in favor, none were opposed. A motion was made to accept Bob as Acting General Chair until the special election to be held in September. Kyle made the motion, Debby seconded. All were in favor, none opposed. A motion to reappoint all the individuals appointed by the previous General Chair was made. Carrie made the motion to accept, Kyle seconded. All were in favor, none opposed.

The USA Swim Convention is Sept 11-15 in Greensboro, NC. A list was compiled of those wishing to attend: Brad Nielson, Bob LeMon, Kyle Westra, Carri Oviatt, Todd Etherington and Chris Nielson. Chris Westra has looked into flights and will work on coordinating with Bob the final list of participants.

USI still needs to determine the location and agenda for Convention in September. Bill Krum is planning on attending. Kearns was suggested as a possible location. It was suggested that the meeting run similar to the national convention with various committees meeting to coordinate a plan for the pattern of growth Utah Swimming is experiencing.

There are a few needs USI needs to begin immediately addressing. Volunteers—we need more. It maybe time to consider a mandatory requirement based on the size of the club. Meets—all the summer meets filled this year. Are we utilizing all the facilities we can? Committees—we must become better at delegating duties to prevent burnout. We should have committee meeting reports and minutes also available. Communication—USI needs a better means to communicate. A newsletter was suggested as a possibility. Bob would like the Club Liason and Publicity Coordinator to work together to provide this to our members.

Administrative Vice-Chair: vacant

Treasurer: The treasurer's report is on file. USI is in good financial shape. Brad reported about a recent Treasurer's Conference he participated in. Utah Swimming is in line with other LSC in terms of what we have placed in a reserve fund. A final review of the books will soon be completed. Additional signature cards will need to be placed on file due to the replacement of several Board Members. Brad will coordinate this.

Senior Chair: Michelle was not present.

Age-Group Chair: Ben reported the Utah Zone team packet is now complete and available online. The coaching staff and team manager are also set. An age group committee has been formed. Ben Rae, Oliver Cahoon, Markie Hiatt, Gwynne Freeman, Missy Bahr, Serena Reynolds, Dani Caldwell, Shawn Marsing and Will Leonhart are members. Serena Reynolds is looking into the 10 & under issues that were presented to the HOD in the spring. Data is currently being collected to look at timeline issues and trends to determine how best to move forward. The committee is finalizing work on an All Star Clinic/Camp and the selection process for participation. Shawn Marsing is investigating time standards for Age Group swimming and any adjustments that may need to be made. Oliver Cahoon is working on a venue for the next short course JO's. Ben stated it would be ideal to have a tentative four year plan to work within. The Western Zone has already released the 2013 calendar and we should start working around those dates for our planning.

Athlete Representatives: Brianna Francis had nothing to report.

Club Liaison: Chris had nothing to report.

Officials Chair: A mini-clinic will be held June 26, 7pm at the Sandy Library (10100 South Petunia Way) Meeting Room. USI recently adopted new rules for officials certification in the hopes of creating an environment where more individuals will participate in the process. One new referee and two new starters completed their training last weekend. Kyle would like clubs to understand the more officials we have trained the more meets we are able to support. Information regarding the clinic will be sent to clubs immediately.

Safety Chair: Lyse' was not present.

Technical Planning Chair: Dani had nothing to report.

At-Large Board Member Reports

Adaptive Coordinator: Position is vacant.

Publicity Coordinator: Nik Hess resigned. Bob LeMon will begin the search for a replacement.

Sanctions Coordinator: Debby stated that she has received several phone calls from teams looking for meets to participate in. She encourages teams to consider offering a short course meet if they have access to a short course pool. Every meet has filled up this summer and there are just not enough meets to go around. No developmental meets have been sanctioned to date and this is another alternative for clubs to consider.

USI Employee Report

LSC Administrator: Todd had nothing to report.

New Business: Planning for LC State was discussed. Ron suggested that USI may need to consider how we approach these types of meets. Bob feels it all gets back to training more individuals so they can better assume roles delegated to them. Utah Swimming is growing and

we need to be certain all the swimmers needs are being meet. A system needs to be put into place to get as many individuals trained as we can.

Adjourn: The meeting adjourned at 8:23 p.m.

Next meeting: 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, July 10th at the Sandy Library Small Meeting Room, , Utah. 10100 South Petunia Way. ***All are welcome***

Respectfully submitted, Gwynne Freeman, USI Secretary