

UTAH SWIMMING, INC.
Board Meeting Minutes
7 March 2006
Cottonwood Heights Recreation Center

The meeting was called to order at 7:18 p.m.

Members present: Corynne Armstrong, Spencer Blake, Debby Fleisch, Barry Hayden, Lela Hiatt, Jim Jones, Bob Meyer, Martha Siggard, Grant Skabelund, and Mike Werner.

Excused members: Ana Agy, Brent Bunnell, David Chandler, Justin Christensen, Randy Christensen, Sara Jayne Christiansen, Todd Etherington, Norin Felton, Emily Reimschuessel, and Kanani Wells .

Guests: Josh Dukes (USI Zone Team Manager).

February Minutes: The minutes were approved by an email vote. They are posted on www.swimutah.com.

Officer Reports

General Chair: Debby noted that Ron Lockwood, University of Utah assistant coach, had volunteered to serve as USI's Senior Chair. Lockwood was unanimously accepted as Senior Chair following a motion, second, and vote. USI's Senior Chair position had been vacant since the end of 2005. Debby suggested that we continue to consider moving the Senior Invitational meet, which annually rotates between BYU and the U, to the week after the Utah State High School 5A meet. This is seen as a way to increase participation in the Senior Invite. Grant will explore this possibility with BYU. Debby also suggested that relaxing the time standards for the Senior Invite would help increase the participation. These ideas will be considered by the Board for 2007.

Administrative Vice-Chair: Jim had nothing to report.

Secretary: Grant had nothing to report.

Treasurer: Brent was not present.

Senior Chair: This position was vacant when the meeting began.

Age-Group Chair: Mike said JOs preparation is coming along. A pre-meet information email would be sent to all the clubs before the meet begins next Wednesday, 15 March; respect for the BYU facility will be emphasized. Mike reminded Grant to secure parking passes for the meet. Josh updated the Board on Zones preparations and provided a draft of a Zones information sheet that will be included in the JOs packet.

Athlete Representatives: None was present.

Club Liaison: Kanani was not present.

Coach Representative: Lela presented a proposal from Yolanda Bates (president of the Utah Swimming Coaches Association) for a Spring Coaches Clinic on 21-22 April. In her motion, Lela recommended that a Spring Coaches Clinic be held if Auburn Coach David Marsh attends and that being the case, that Utah Swimming cover the registration fees of USI's USA Swimming-registered coaches at \$10.00 (USCA members) and \$30.00 (non-USCA members). Lela's motion was seconded and unanimously passed.

Lela noted that she has asked Andee Bouwhuis of SWAT to serve as an assistant Zone coach. She will also be asking Dan Peterson to assist the team.

Membership/Registration Coordinator: Martha noted that USI has 1,978 athletes, 204 non-athletes, and 29 clubs registered for 2006.

Martha then reviewed the membership process that she and Todd go through and asked for feedback from the Board. After significant discussion, Martha made the following motion: Beginning 15 March 2006, Utah Swimming, Inc., will charge \$10.00 for a duplicate credential. Duplicate credential requests will require a minimum of one week to process. An athlete or non-athlete attached to a club with questions per their individual membership will be referred back to their club to work through its administrator(s) to secure a duplicate credential. The motion was seconded and unanimously passed.

Officials Chair: Corynne reported that she trained four new officials at her mini-clinic on February 23 at HAST. A discussion about the relay exchanges at the state high school meets clarified that those exchanges were not officially observed unless a request had been made through the request process.

Safety Chair: Bob had nothing to report.

Technical Planning Chair: Randy was not present.

Adaptive Coordinator: Barry wondered if he might receive funding to attend a couple of out-of-state meets. The Board determined that funding would not be appropriate.

Publicity Coordinator: Spencer said he had not received any email with Senior Invitational results, so he had not been able to send information on the meet to the papers. He noted that he will burn CDs with the article templates for Mike to place in the JO meet packets.

Sanctions Coordinator: Emily was not present.

Time Verifications Coordinator: Norin was not present.

Registration and Website Technician: Todd was not present.

New Business: Grant asked for feedback from USI and the respected clubs on chaperone policies. It was noted that "Designated Chaperones" must be USA Swimming registered in order to be covered by USA Swimming insurance. It was suggested that clubs require a parent be required to travel with swimmers who are 10-and-under.

Grant wondered who at USI received the Swimmer Transfer Applications. Martha said that those forms are submitted directly to Todd.

Meeting adjourned at 8:28 p.m.

Next meeting scheduled for **7:00 p.m., Tuesday, 12 April 2006**, at the **Cottonwood Heights Recreation Center**. All interested parties are welcome.

Respectfully submitted, Grant Skabelund, USI Secretary