

**UTAH SWIMMING, INC.**  
Board Meeting Minutes  
13 November 2007  
Cottonwood Heights Recreation Center

The meeting was called to order at 7:14 p.m.

**Members present:** Juan Aguilar, Brent Bunnell, Janie Dahle, Todd Etherington, Debby Fleisch, Barry Hayden, Jim Jones, Ali Siggard, Martha Siggard, and Grant Skabelund.

**Members excused:** Corynne Armstrong, Spencer Blake, Lela Hiatt, Matt Krambule, Bob Meyer, Diane Peterson, Emily Reimschuessel, Kanani Wells, and Mike Werner.

**Guests present:** Bob LeMon, DDDR.

A motion to approve **October's Minutes** was made, seconded, and approved. The minutes will be posted on [www.swimutah.com](http://www.swimutah.com).

**Officer Reports**

**General Chair:** Debby reported that a new team has been formed in northern Utah, the Cache Valley Marlins, and that the Festival Aquatics Swim Team in southern Utah has changed its name to the Cedar Aquatics Swim Team. Grant mentioned a USI member's concern about the inappropriate advertising of the Basileus swimming team; Debby will contact the folks connected with Basileus, while Grant will update the USI member about Debby's efforts.

Debby noted that Emily is a bit behind but is trying to get things caught up by the end of the year when she will step away from doing sanctions. Debby said Jim needs to begin reconciling the bank statements, so Brent will make sure Jim gets them. And she said the Financial Committee needs to sign off on the 2005 and 2006 financials and submit them to USA Swimming; 2005 is late, while 2006 will be late as of 1 January 2008.

A motion for Utah Swimming to provide officials to observe the 3A, 4A, and 5A high school meets was made, seconded, and passed. A motion that the high school region meets be observed at the discretion of each region, assuming each region arranges for its own certified USI officials, was made, seconded, and passed. Swimmers need to be USA Swimming registered by 15 January 2008 in order for the times of their observed swims to be recorded as official USA Swimming times. Todd will notify the coaches and Kanani will notify the clubs.

**Administrative Vice-Chair:** Jim had nothing to report.

**Secretary:** Grant had nothing to report.

**Treasurer:** Brent suggested that USI begin paying bills with electronic checks. Debby advised that we be careful with this option. Brent then presented the November Treasurer's Report. A motion to accept the report was made, seconded, and passed. A copy of the report is available via email from [skabelund@byu.edu](mailto:skabelund@byu.edu).

**Senior Chair:** Diane was not present.

**Age Group Chair:** Lela was not present.

**Athlete Representatives:** Ali, Janie, and Juan had nothing to report.

**Club Liaison:** Kanani was not present.

**Coach Representative:** Lela was not present.

**Membership/Registration Coordinator:** Martha reported that 968 athletes, 79 non-athletes, and 10 clubs are registered for 2008.

**Officials Chair:** Corynne was not present, but Grant reported on the letter he received from Yolanda Bates regarding the challenge of getting meet officials (referee, starter, etc.) in the northern part of the state. Debby noted that she had responded to Yolanda, and the board agreed that clubs need to continue to encourage and support parents along the road to becoming officials, starters, and referees. It was noted that it is often a sacrifice to develop credentialed human resources, a sacrifice that may require travel to meets and a significant time commitment.

**Safety Chair:** Bob was not present.

**Technical Planning Chair:** Mike was not present.

**Adaptive Coordinator:** Barry said the 12 October Special Olympics competition was successful. He expressed appreciation to five USI officials for their assistance at the meet: Ray Anchustegui, Julie Graf, Mike Kenison, Don Robinson, and Madolin Witte. Reporting on the plans he brought to the board in September, Barry noted that he had put out a couple of ads encouraging athletes to get involved in adaptive swimming.

**Publicity Coordinator:** Spencer was not present.

**Sanctions Coordinator:** Emily was not present.

**Registration and Website Technician:** Todd is working on updating the web page.

**New Business:** Representing the board's sentiment, Brent recognized Debby's years of service to Utah Swimming.

The meeting adjourned at 8:14 p.m.

Next meeting: **7:00 p.m., Tuesday, 8 January 2008**, at the **Cottonwood Heights Recreation Center**. All are welcome.

Respectfully submitted, Grant Skabelund, USI Secretary