

**Midwestern Swimming
Board of Directors Meeting
July 24, 2007**

The meeting was called to order at 8:05 p.m., via conference call. Present were Brian Jensen, Jack Jackson, Holly Beeman, Kelly Kunkel, Mary Losee, Lynn Weaver, Mike Jacobson, Al Johnson, Paul Kemp, Betty Kooy, Bruce Schomburg, David Nelson, Mary Kocsis, Peggy Speer, Gretchen Lindner, Tom Beck, Patrick Rowan and Jeanie Neal.

Minutes: Minutes approved.

Treasurer and Finance Chair Report: Mike Jacobson presented and explained the quarterly report. Mary Kocis said line #524 was Olympic Trial tickets. Discussion followed about projected Convention, Long Course and Zone expenses. The budget was accepted.

Committee Reports:

Technical Chair: Bruce Schomburg reported that he is working on Sectionals for the following year. He has not been able to contact Randy Julian and will try Bill Schalz in Chicago. Bruce will keep on this and report at the September meeting.

Senior Vice Chair: Brian Jensen asked that anyone who has meets to add to the list for high school release approval let him know by the LSC meet.

Officials Chair: Paul Kemp reported that trainers and an observer will be on deck at LSCs to help MidWestern prepare for the Grand Prix meet. Candy Hemmer set this up. Paul said that an additional tent for the officials' meetings has been ordered and will be about \$200. The national observer will be staying at the Embassy Suites. Mary K. asked why this is being asked for after the fact. Discussion followed about whether this money came from Paul's budget or the budget for DI. Motion made to approve funds for the tent, lodging and other expenses including the Thursday dinner. Seconded. Passed. Discussion followed concerning officials' reimbursement, shirts, and the revenues expected from the LSC meet.

Coaches Representative: Lynn Weaver reported that Drew Butler stepped down as head Zone coach and has been replaced by Corey Ayers. Lynn has sent out requests for nomination for coach of the year and will pass out ballots at DI. Kelly has a list of athletes for the athlete representative ballot.

Safety Chair: David reported that there is a Safety Chair meeting August 16 & 17 in Minneapolis.

Registration Chair: Betty reported on our numbers. This year: 1796 athletes, 271 seasonal athletes, 75 other, 115 coaches and 102 officials for a total of 2351 registered. Last year: 1806 athletes, 232 seasonal athletes, 70 other, 109 coaches and 117 officials for a total of 2325 registered. There are 544 athletes signed up for the DI meet. Betty is borrowing a new computer for the long course meet and zone coaches and Betty will do Zone entries after the meet conclusion on Sunday.

Age Group Vice Chair: Patrick Rowan reported that Corey, he and Kyle Hunt will go to Zones, August 3-5. Ivy Statler and Kyle will rent a car to keep down expenses. There will be a team dinner the first night and itineraries handed out Thursday afternoon at team registration. Caps, suits and shirts are in and any extras will be available for sale. There may be some swimmers for Open Water, but it's not planned to have a coach stay.

General Chair: Mary Losee will be going to Indianapolis with the Sports Commission to handle a booth and do marketing. It should be interesting with a lot of meetings. The Trials are at 40% with 65,000 sold. Midwestern will get a gratuity of some kind. Mary L. will have more caps and shirts & they will probably be for sale. Anyone with questions or who want to volunteer to help Mary can e-mail her. There was more discussion about the Zone meet and the changes made. The changes will be evaluated. A date for the Awards Banquet is needed. Bruce will follow through with this at the Field Club of Omaha. Possible dates are September 16 or 23, and October 14 & 21st. Bruce will let Mary know tomorrow. A committee of Jack, Tom, Bruce and Mary K. was formed to decide how to allocate the Trials tickets. Jack will bring the proposal to the next meeting. Mary would like to preview the proposal. Attending Convention: Betty Peggy, Lynn, Brian, Jack, Corey A., Lisa (as Zone rep), and Mary L. Most will cut short the trip by a day to conserve money. Lynn and Brian will stay on for the coaches meeting and Jack and Betty may stay another day at their own expense.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:08 p.m..

Submitted by Gretchen Lindner, Secretary