

Midwestern Swimming House of Delegates Spring Meeting Minutes

Saturday, April 22, 2017

Omaha Marriot, 10220 Regency Circle, Omaha, NE 68114

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CALL TO ORDER: Carol Olson, Midwestern Swimming Chair, meeting called to order at 12:28 PM.

Officers present: Carol Olson, Mike Witt, Jay Thiltgen, Sean Froemming, Stefanie Martinez, Jeff Nelson, Erik Wiken, Jason Hiley, Dannie Dilsaver, Kenna Wilkie, Betsy Purcell, Starre Haney, Brinker Harding, Bruce Schomburg, Eric Samson, Louie Balogh, Betty Kooy

Officers Absent: Scot Sorensen, Marcus Bach, Dan Brailita, Carol Bilunas, Shelby Mullendore, Kat Keller

House of Delegates Members Present:

ACE	Michael Michalski
BARRA	Abigail Swain
BSC	Peggy Speer
BCST	not represented
BT	Valerie Garrigan
CBSC	Bruce Schomburg
FAST	David Struble
GOAL	Tom Beck
GNST	Ryan Theil
HYAC	not represented
HLA	Eric Wiken
HG	Brian Jensen
HUSK	not represented
ISWM	Sean Froemming
KYT	not represented
LSS	Louis Balogh
LYD	Analisa Peterson
MAC	not represented
NA	Ed Mlinek
NYA	David Nelson
OMA	not represented
OSF	not represented
OWSC	Helen North
PSC	not represented
SCSC	JB Barr
SCH	not represented
SCM	not represented
SLS	not represented
SO	Dave Harris
SWIA	Jennifer Holweger

AGENDA PREVIEW

Elite Camp discussion added to the meeting.

DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

Carol Olson read the following to the Board of Directors:

“Is any member aware of any conflict of interest, that is, of a personal interest or direct or indirect pecuniary interest, in any matter being considered by this meeting which should now be reported of disclosed or addressed under the Midwestern Swimming Conflict of Interest Policy?”

If a Board member determines there to be a conflict of interest at any point during the course of the meeting when a specific subject is being discussed and/or action is being taken, a declaration of a conflict of interest should be made at that time.

MINUTES

The minutes of the previous House of Delegates meeting, held on October 23, 2016, were reviewed. A motion to approve the October 23 HOD minutes was made by Eric Samson. Second by Starre Haney. A vote was conducted with all in favor. The minutes from the October 23 HOD meeting are APPROVED.

CONSENT AGENDA

Carol Olson introduced the consent agenda for review and approval. Items include:

- A) Executive Secretary Report
- B) Registration and Membership Coordinator's Report

Betty had two announcements. 5 swimmers have applied for the multicultural meet at Ohio State University. Zone meet applications will be available on the MW Swimming website in the near future.

A motion and a second to approve the Consent Agenda were made. A vote was had with all in favor. The consent agenda is APPROVED.

NEW BUSINESS

Jason Hiley shared an updated financial report for MW Swimming. As stated previously, Jason reminded the House and Board of the cash nature of our organization and that monies flow in and out throughout the year. Jason sees no areas of concern at this time. The All Star meet netted \$3000 more than expected. Registrations currently show a loss, but only because of timing, and is expected to change as the year progresses. MW Swimming currently has \$256,000 in assets, \$90,000 of which is operational funds. We have tried to budget a loss, but never experienced a loss for the fiscal year.

Zone fees meets were the next items on the agenda, per the Executive Secretary Report. Betty recommends a fee of \$95 per athlete and \$65 for the optional backpack. The meet is a 4-day event, so expenses are more than past meets. Payments can be made via PayPal. Louie made a motion to approve the proposed Zone fee. Betsy seconded the motion. A vote was had with all in favor. The Zone Meet fee is APPROVED.

Discussion of the fees ensued just after the vote. The point was raised that the fees should not be raised if we are trying to budget a break even or even a loss. Why not keep the fees the same or less

and use the money to support the athlete who attend the Zone Meet? Jason suggested that we revisit the issue when producing the next year budget and adjust accordingly. Ryan reiterated the notion that MW Swimming should put more money back into athlete support. The next point made was the outreach numbers appear low. The suggestion was made to use excess funds to support outreach swimmers. Betty Kooy reminded us that money is always available for hardship. 75% of outreach fees go back to the club for outreach swimmers.

The election of new members to the Board of Directors was next on the agenda. Dawn Bowman was given the floor to announce the elections. She offered thanks to the nominating committee and reviewed the slate of candidates. Starre made a motion to close the ballot. Mike made the second. All voted in favor of closing the ballot. Floor speeches and letters were delivered by some candidates. Ballots were collected and tallied, and the meeting continued. Sean Froemming relayed a message from Thor Larson, indicating Thor's wish to be removed from consideration for the Technical Planning Chair. Thor was removed from the ballot.

Erik Wiken gave an update on the Elite Camp. Mike Witt will be the Head Coach for the Elite Camp, and five other coaches will assist. This camp will be conducted at the Fremont Y, the home pool of Midlands University. Coaches will be able to drop in and listen the camp. Details of the camp will be forthcoming.

There was a tie in voting for Age Group Chair, between Sean Froemming and Nate Skidmore. A second round of voting was conducted for this position.

Results of the election were delivered by Dawn. Congratulations to those newly elected Board members!

Board members elected are as follows:

Sean Froemming - Age Group Vice-Chair

Louie Balogh - At Large Board Member

Brinker Harding - At Large Board Member

Toby Rees - At Large Board Member

Barbara Anderson – LSC Administrative Review Board

Dan Brailita - LSC Administrative Review Board

Scot Sorensen – Memebership/Registration Coordinator

Betsy Purcell – Officials Chair

Starre Haney – Safety Chair

Erik Wiken – Technical Planning Chair

Stephanie Martinez – Treasurer

ANNOUNCEMENTS/INFORMATION

Fall House of Delegates Meeting and Awards Banquet has not been finalized, but October 29 is the best possibility at this time.

MOTION TO DESTROY BALLOTS: Erik moved to destroy the ballots. Bruce seconded. All voted in favor of destroying the ballots.

MOTION TO ADJOURN: Louie Balogh made the motion to adjourn. Second by Bruce Schomburg. Meeting adjourned at 1:12PM.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED: Jeff Nelson, Secretary

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for growth and success through competitive swimming.**
