Minutes
SD LSC House of Delegates
September 23, 2012
Chamberlain, South Dakota

Call to Order: General Chair, Jon Sommervold, called the meeting to order at 12:05 p.m.

1. Roll Call and Seating of Delegates:
The following Voting members were present:

Board of Directors: (10)
- Jon Sommervold (SFX), General Chair
- Russ Miller (SFX), Admin Vice Chair
- Kyle Margheim (MAC), Age Group Chair
- Blake Waddell (MAC), Finance Vice Chair
- Carolyn Theobald (PST), Secretary
- Sarah Hogg (ASC), Treasurer
- Clyde Smith (SFX), Coaches Representative
- Paula Gordon (SEAL), Safety Coordinator
- Deb Finnesand (ASC), Technical Planning Chair
- Rita Baszlar (HPRW), Seasonal Teams Representative

Club Delegates: (19)
- Elyce Kastigar (ASC)
- Katie Tiedeman (BSC)
- Kay Friebel (BST)
- Angela Mutziger (CST)
- John Tridle (DL76)
- Kirk Hall (GOLD)
- Liz Willis (GREA)
- Bonnie Biel (HPRW)
- Sonya Fossum (MAC)
- Amanda Taylor (MSC)
- Jessica Roggenbuck, (MALS)
- Kent Huckins (PST)
- Jason Collins (RCR)
- Larry Vinz (SEAL)
- Kelly McCullough (SFX)
- Matt Lavin (VAST)
- Donna Biersbach (WASC)
- Janice Pereboom (WST)
- Brian McGinnis (YST)

Total Voting Delegates Present = 29

The following Non-Voters were also present: (21)
- Sherry Miller (SFX)
- Bob Sieve (RCR)
- Joel Mann (ASC)
2. Approval of Agenda

Chairman Sommervold moved to address agenda item #7-Appointments to Open Positions, as Item #3 on agenda, seconded by Waddell. Motion Approved.

Chairman Sommervold moved to limit speakers to two (2) minutes, seconded by Miller. Motion Approved.

3. Appointments to Open Positions

- Chairman Sommervold reported that with “the advice and consent” of the Board of Directors, Clyde Smith (SFX) has been appointed to the Coaches Representative position.
- Discussion took place in regards to Nominating Committee. It was confirmed that all committee members must be voting members of the House of Delegates, thus eliminating Edie Mueller (SFX), Chuck Baechler (WASC) and Sherry Miller (SFX).

Nominations for the Nominating Committee:

- Deb Finnesand (ASC)
- Liz Willis (GREA)
- Kelly McCullough (SFX)
- Janice Pereboom (WST)
- Jason Collins (RCR)

Lavin moved to elect Nominating Committee slate as presented, seconded by Waddell. Motion approved.

- Senior Vice Chair (Open)
  Nominees: Matt Lavin (VAST) and Kent Huckins (PST)
  Ballot vote resulted in Kent Huckins being elected Senior Vice Chair.
Note: Kent Huckins obtained Senior Vice Chair vote, relinquishing PST Delegate vote to Anthony Nelson. Total Voting Delegates Present increased to 30.

4. Reading, Correction and Adoption of Minutes of Previous Meeting:
   Gordon moved to approve April 21, 2012 Minutes, seconded by Lavin. Motion approved.

5. Reports of Officers:
   a. General Chair – Jon Sommervold
      • Reported on USA Swimming Convention
      • Opportunity to improve our LSC
         o Arlene McDonald, USA Swimming LSC Consultant, is available, at no cost to SDSI, to assist with Strategic Planning
         o Possible weekend retreat in the Spring, after the Short Course State Meet and before the Spring HOD Meeting
         o Bi-Monthly Board of Director meetings will be held
      • Thanks to everyone for support and attendance.
   b. Administrative Vice Chair – Russ Miller (No Report)
   c. Senior Vice Chair – Kent Huckins (No Report)
   d. Age Group Vice Chair – Kyle Margheim
      • New USA Swimming age group time standards for 2013-2016
   e. Finance Vice Chair – Blake Waddell
      • All financial audits are complete
      • 990 has been submitted to IRS and USA Swimming
   f. Secretary – Carolyn Theobald (No Report)
   g. Treasurer’s Report – Sarah Hogg
      • Reviewed September 23, 2012 Financial Report (Attachment 5.g.)
      • Finance Committee: Sarah Hogg, Blake Waddell, Russ Miller and Jon Sommervold.
      • Finance Committee presented for Approval, change to SDSI’s Policies and Procedures Rule 5:
         5.1 South Dakota Swimming Scholarships – Each year the Scholarship Committee may award up to four (4) two (2) $1,000 and two (2) $500 College scholarships to high school seniors in recognition of their contribution to the sport of swimming through competition and team leadership. (09/17/2011)
         Motion approved.
• Discussion took place in regards to Coach Clinic Reimbursement (Attachment 5.g. Pg. 8).

• Presented for Approval, September 12, 2012 through August 31, 2013 Proposed Budget (Attachment 5.g. Pg. 7). Approved.

h. Coaches Representative – Clyde Smith (No Report)

i. Athlete’s Division – Vacant (No Report)

j. Seasonal Member’s Representative – Rose Vogl
   • Seasonal Clubs presented for Approval, change to SDSI’s Policies and Procedures Seasonal Clubs Championship Meet Invitation Template:
     Eligibility: No athlete shall be eligible to compete in the South Dakota State Seasonal Club Championship Meet who is registered as a year-round swimmer. Swimmer must be a seasonal registered Swimmer. Swimmer must have swam in two sanctioned Meets plus have swam the individual stroke once between the last day of the previous Seasonal Championship Meet and the first day of the current year’s Seasonal Championship Meet.
     Vogl moved to consider change to Seasonal Clubs Championship Meet Invitation Template as stated above, seconded by Finnesand. Discussion took place. Waddell called the question. Motion approved.
   • Seasonal Clubs are working on amending By-Laws.

k. Technical Planning Chair – Deb Finnesand
   • Technical Planning Committee: Deb Finnesand, Chad Thomsen, Clyde Smith, Mike Moran, Russ Miller, Shayle Finnesand and Jacob Biersbach.
   • Reviewed Old Business from HOD Meeting 04/21/2012, item 8.b.viii 3): Technical Committee proposed High Point Awards first through third place in each age group division using the SDSI point scoring method. Discussion took place. Referred to Sanctions Chair.
   • All other Old Business items from HOD Meeting 04/21/2012, will be reviewed in New Business.

l. Safety Coordinator – Paula Gordon (Attachment 5.l.)

6. Reports of Committees and Coordinators
   a. Membership/Registration Coordinator – Sherry Miller
      • 1,516 Athletes registered in 2012
      • Background screenings expires every two years. A link to renew is coming, $19 for renewal using this link, all others $39.

   b. Officials Committee – Bob Sieve
      • Officials Committee has not been established. Will develop in near future.
      • SDSI has 94 registered officials, only 53 would qualify per the SDSI Policies and Procedures.
• Will develop program to in registered officials in organization.
• Have contacted other LSC’s Official’s Chairs. Will participate in Central Zones Official’s quarterly conference calls.
• All Meet Referees need to report to USA Swimming all officials working at their meets.

c. Board of Review – No Chair

d. Records/Top 16 Coordinator – Joel Mann
• Job Description has been submitted to General Chair for consideration in the SDSI’s By-Laws.
• Seasonal Teams would like their own tab on SD Swimming website. Smith will create a section for their Records/Top 16.

e. Sanctions Coordinator – Mike Moran
• Will update State Meet Template to conform to USA Swimming Rules
• Requesting that all Meet Announcements for sanctioning approvals are submitted in a timely manner. Please contact Mike if you have not heard back from him.

Note: The Sanctions Coordinator is to define job description for consideration to be placed in the SD Swimming Inc. By-laws. (09/17/2011)

f. Nominating Committee – Sherry Miller (No Report)

7. Unfinished (old) Business – Covered in previous agenda items.
   a. April 21, 2012 meeting, agenda item 8.viii., discussion took place for implementation of awards.
   Hogg moved to refer changes in awards in respect to B/C Championship, Rule 10.14.2, to Finance Awards Committee, seconded by Finnesand. Discussion took place. Waddell called question. Motion approved.

   Note: The Officials Chair Committee is to devise a system of just compensation and care for the officials who work the state meets. (04/21/2012)

   Note: The Senior Vice Chair is to develop a 13 & over All Star Training Camp. (04/21/2012)

8. Appointment to Open Positions (not covered in Agenda item #3)
   • Announcement of All-Star Coaches: Wendy Ahrendsen, Guy Gniotczynski and Kelly McCullough.
   • Dominique Hurley will participate on All-Star Committee.

9. New Business

Waddell moved to approve 2012-2013 Short Course Meet Schedule as per attachment 9.a., seconded by Smith. Motion approved.

Waddell moved to approve 2013 Long Course Meet Schedule as per attachment 9.a., seconded by Collins. Motion approved.

Kastigar moved to approve all meets two (2) LSC meetings prior to that season. Sommervold amended motion to “With respect to the meet schedule, teams will contact the Technical Planning Chair to affirm their meet hosting dates 30 days prior to each House of Delegates meeting to confirm the next two seasons and notify three seasons distant. Schedule is to be reported in the Technical Planning Report.”, seconded by Hogg. Motion approved.

b. Proposals

i. Proposal: Warm-Up Procedures, Rule 8.4 (3) Feet-first, slip-in entries to be used and allowed from either end of the pool only, except in designated lanes and times. Lanes will be circle swimming…

Gordon moved to amend proposal by including “to be used and allowed from either end of the competition pool”, seconded by Miller. Discussion took place. Waddell called question. Motion approved.

ii. Technical Planning Committee presented for approval: Long Course State Championship order of events (Attachment 9.b.ii.).

Gordon amended Long Course State Championship order of events removing swim times and swimmer count, seconded by Miller. Amended motion approved. Discussion took place. Gordon moved to table amended Long Course State Championship order of events. Motion to table approved.

iii. Technical Planning Committee presented for approval: Short Course State Championship order of events (Attachment 9.b.iii.).

Finnesand withdrew proposal.

iv. Technical Planning Committee presented for approval: State Swim Meet will be held the Friday, Saturday and Sunday following the Speedo Sectional Meet. Exception: If the host team of that season is to host a State Basketball Tournament, the team may elect to host the State Swim Meet the weekend before the Speedo Sectional Meet.

Finnesand withdrew proposal.

v. Proposal: Rule 9.21: (1) Short-Course Championships – The meet will conclude on the first third Sunday in March. The date shall be adjusted earlier or later so that the meet does not fall on the date of a Sectional or other National level meet.
Miller moved to consider proposal, seconded by McGinnis. Discussion took place. Huckins called question. Motion failed (no votes).

vi. Proposal: Rule 3.6 (4): The Head Zone Committee and Zone coaches and at least one parent shall be appointed by the General Chair, with the advice of the Age Group Vice Chair and the Senior Athlete Rep. and shall be announced at the Spring Meeting of the LSC. (9-20-08)
Failed.

vii. Proposal: Rule 11.2 (2): The All-Star Committee, Head Coach and 2 Assistant and at least one parent shall be appointed by the General Chair, with the advice of the Age Group Vice Chair and the Senior Athlete Rep., and shall be announced at the Fall meeting of the LSC.
Failed.

viii. Proposal: Rule 9.22: (3) Whenever a city cannot host a meet as scheduled, the meet is open for bids. (4) When another team is added to Meet Rotation, Team shall be added to the end of the current rotation.
Miller moved to consider proposal, seconded by Finnesand. Discussion took place. Miller moved to amend proposal to Rule 9.22: (3) Whenever a team cannot host a meet as scheduled, the meet is open for bids. (4) When another team is added to meet rotation, said team shall be added to the end of the current rotation. Discussion took place. Finnesand called question. Motion approved.

Sommervold moved to consider proposal, seconded by Waddell. Discussion took place. Lavin called question. Motion approved.

x. Proposal for the meet schedule to be approved a year in advance.
Failed.

xi. Proposal: In the meet rotation, the State Meet host team will have a choice to hose State Meet either the weekend before the Speedo Sectional Meet or the weekend after the Speedo Sectional Meet. The weekend will need to be chosen and approved at the Fall LSC Meeting one year prior. If the meet has been approved and a date change has to be made later, the host team will lose their right to hose the meet and the meet will be placed out for bids for the weekend originally approved.
McGinnis moved to consider proposal, seconded by Finnesand. Discussion took place. Finnesand called question. Failed.

xii. Proposal: The host team of an approved State Meet has an area and awards stand for the top 8 medals to be given out during the warm-up/warm down breaks.
Waddell moved to consider proposal, seconded by Finnesand. Discussion took place. Collins moved to refer proposal to Technical Planning Committee, seconded by Biersbach. Motion to refer approved.

xiii. Proposal: SD-LSC Meet Bid Format template (Attachment 9.b.xiii.).
Miller moved to consider proposal, seconded by Finnesand. Discussion took place. Waddell moved to amend proposal by removing “two LSC Meetings” from 9.3. (1) and 9.3. (2), seconded by Miller. Motion approved.

xiv. Technical Planning Committee presented for approval: Beginning in the 2013-2014 Winter Season, any Club wanting to become a SD-LSC Team must send a team voting representative to the appropriate LSC Meeting. Winter Team the Fall Meeting, Summer Team the Spring Meeting.
Finnesand moved to consider proposal, seconded by Miller. Discussion took place. Nelson call question. Motion failed.

xv. Proposal: Senior Recognition Bio (Attachment 9.b.xv.). Senior athletes will be recognized at State Meet during an assigned time period during the warm-up cool-down period. Coach will send the name(s) of their team’s senior(s) to the Meet Director by e-mail. The Meet Director will assign a warm-up cool-down time frame for that senior swimmer to be honored. Deadline for the senior names is the deadline of meet entries. Deadline for the Senior Bio. Forms will be the start of the meet the day of recognition assigned. These items will be added to the state meet entry template.
Margheim moved to consider proposal, seconded by Moran. Discussion took place. Motion approved.

Note: Kay Friebel departed meeting at 3:00 p.m., Total Voting Delegates decreased to 29.

Note: Angela Mutziger departed meeting at 3:15 p.m., Total Voting Delegates decreased to 28.

xvi. Technical Planning Committee presented for approval: At the approved State Meets, the final heat of each age group will have a ready room, walk in to music, and be announced before the heat swims.
Miller moved to consider proposal, seconded by Pereboom. Discussion took place. Motion failed.


Margheim moved to consider proposal, seconded by Miller. Discussion took place.
Biersbach amended proposal to use USA Swimming’s 2013-2018 standards as they are used now for 2012 for girls and boy’s State Qualifying Time Standards, seconded by Gordon. Motion approved.

10. Resolutions and Orders:
   a. Sommervold requested confirmation to have House of Delegates or Board of Directors to vote on proposals received for hosting the 2013 State Short Course Championship Meet. No motion made to have Board of Directors vote, so ballots will be mailed to each House of Delegate member to select host site.
   b. The House of Delegates Spring Meeting will be held Sunday, April 21, 2013.

Chairman Sommervold adjourned the meeting at 5:20 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Carolyn Theobald, Secretary

For the purpose of continuity, the minutes may not be in chronological order.