Members of the Board:

Monday 4/27 at 7pm cst/6pm mst will be hosted via Zoom.

Joel

Cole

Rose

Laura

Brenda

Clyde

Robin

Shelli

Martin

Caleb

Kyle

Bonnie

Cassi

Katie

Lisa

Misty

Trish

At our last meeting, we asked the Finance Committee to consider what types of financial resources we could make available to teams. The Finance Committee decided to ask the teams what we could do to help. Attached is a spreadsheet with the replies. We were quite surprised that clubs were not looking for immediate support. They were more interested in regular communication. Most clubs reported being financially secure for the next 2-5 months. As a result, the Finance Committee decided to not make an immediate recommendation for team support but will review the decision again at the end of June. We can discuss this further at our meeting on Monday. Nothing to do right now if there isn’t a need right now.

Seasonal teams had a request, Rose - Millbank only have an indoor pool, but if we can get the outdoor pools open then possibly, they could have a short season. $39 to register since there will be such a drop in numbers, maybe the LSC could cover $5-$15 dollars of that to encourage membership. Most not planning on hosting a meet, just looking at getting the pool for practice. Robin asked for numbers from Misty so that the finance committee can talk about it once they have the numbers. Misty will provide the #.

* *Return to pool for training*
  + Cassi, just getting back in the pool for practice.
  + Brenda, Spearfish won’t have a pool till July 1st at the earliest.
  + Lisa, Aberdeen says June 15th right now but that may change at the council meeting tonight.
  + Clyde, Mitchell by the end of this week supposed to have a better idea. Council meeting tonight and Parks meeting later this week.
  + Kyle, Sioux Falls is not hiring part time seasonal employees yet.
  + Pierre is not opening the outdoor pool this season.
* *Summer meets and our expectations for how we will handle those after USA Swimming starts sanctioning?*
  + *For example, if USA Swimming starts sanctioning meetings but half of our swimmers do not have access to pools due to local rules, what will we do?*
  + *Do we make alternative plans for our summer championship meets based on what we know today?*
  + Clyde, up for what ever the LSC decides but don’t think there will be much of a season due to how long the kids have been out of the pool.
  + Cassi thinks we should lift all restriction. No late fee, 2-week window instead of 45 days for sanction.
  + No news on when USA swimming will allow sanctions. Won’t be any new news till May 16th
  + Amount of time it takes to compete again at the same leave, need a plan to get back up to that leave, safely with no injuries without the pressure of a championship meet.
  + Georgia is starting practices May 15th practicing social distancing.
  + USA Swim is hoping to have guidelines.
  + Travel to state meets will be impossible to practice social distancing
* *How do we handle transfer requests? This may not be a big issue given the distance between our clubs, but I think we should consider an LSC stance on transfers considering that clubs will not have access to facilities at the same time. Can we consider a “gentleman’s agreement” between clubs about how we will handle this?*
  + If the Milbank pool doesn’t open then the kids may drive to Watertown to practice.
  + Don’t think is will be an issue in our LSC. If Sturgis or Deadwood open before Spearfish, none of the coaches think this will be an issue, as long as the coaches are in communication it won’t be an issue.
* State Meet?
  + Do we keep the dates?
  + Do we push it back?
  + Do we cancel the meet because there won’t be enough time to train for that leave?
  + Since USA Swimming has already canceled it doesn’t make sense to keep this up.
  + Caleb, first is the level playing field teams across the State since different teams with different start dates. Maybe instead of a Long course state meet the LSC could host a larger meet in November or December. Cole agrees with Caleb’s first point.
  + Kyle, do regional end of season meets. Maybe one day to reduce hotel, and eating out. Do 2-3 sessions. One in Rapid, one in Pierre, one in Aberdeen, one in Sioux Falls.
  + Cole maybe an open water swim, this would give the swimmer opportunities to see swimmers from across the state.
  + Group to meet and discuss state ideas. Kyle, Bonnie Lisa Cole, Caleb, Katie.
* Questions about the HOD meeting? No questions.
  + Team wants to move into our boundaries they are from the state of MN, but mostly complete in SD. MN won’t discuss this till their fall meeting. Relatively small team. Increases the size of the LSC so financially better, but state meets would be bigger. Don’t have a lot of high schoolers from what we have seen. They compete a lot in SD, they always need to travel to the Cities for State. Competition shouldn’t be a concern. Length of state meet needs to be addressed at an LSC leave.

As indicated in an earlier email, the HOD meeting will move to a Zoom meeting with a limited agenda. I hope that everyone will be able to join with video. I think it will make participation and voting easier. I will send out details later this week.