SD Swimming BOD Meeting

Zoom Video Conference

August 5, 2020 1600 MDT/1700 CST

**Mission:** Providing swimmers opportunities to achieve success for a lifetime

**Vision:** Inspiring Excellence, Transforming Lives

**Core Values:** Stewardship, Integrity, Commitment

Call to Order 1804 MST/1904 CST by M Schmidt

1. Roll Call: M. Schmidt, C. Smith, J. White, C. Ward, S. Anderson, R. Sorbe, L. Jorgenson, T. Harrell, M. Trewhalla, W. Ahrendsen, B Hendricks, B. Hein, C. Pietz, C. Kincart, C. Swanson Guest: Jay Chambers (USA Swimming)
2. Consent Agenda: Approval of Agenda, BOD meeting minutes (June 17, 2020) and reports as presented.  Motion by L Jorgenson to approve.  2nd by J White.  Motion approved.
3. New Business
   1. Updates from USA Swimming
      1. Sanctioning August within LSC.  Now in August times can be official and qualify for future USA swimming competitions.
      2. LSC leaders Zoom meeting 8/13 which M Schmidt is planning to attend.
   2. SD Swimming Logo
      1. Matt Lupton (USA Senior Director of Creative) offering free design assistance for LSC logos with the goal of incorporating USA swimming into LSC logos, while preserving the uniqueness of LSC logos.  Approval given by BOD to provide Matt with our LSC’s logo.  Martin will forward on to Matt our logo.
   3. Fall Swim Meets
      1. Email from C Smith and K Margheim sent out to gauge interest in meets this fall.  Encourage all to fill out and respond to better gauge interest.
      2. Welcome to Jay Chambers (USA Swimming).  Response to C Smith’s question regarding what the short course season will look like and specifically sizes of swim meets for budgeting purposes.
         1. USA swimming is not pushing meets.  Members need to be comfortable.  Teams do not have to compete right now.  Virtual meets were created to allow the opportunity for some (only if wanting) to compete.  L Jorgenson discussed MN swimming and recent virtual meet and concerns regarding other sports with activities and participation rates with swimming possibly being affected.  J Chambers encouraged other things to do to keep families engaged in our clubs.  USA Swimming is willing to help with this.
            1. J Chambers discussed the importance of educating State/City/Facilities with info from USA Swimming/CDC guidelines.  The example was given of taking a land rope out to combine 2 lanes into 1 to help maintain distancing guidelines.  J Chambers will obtain information from John Bradley with MN swimming 8/6/20 at 1500 and share with M Schmidt regarding their workflow for their recent meet.  He will also provide new information regarding USA swimming and minimum numbers of officials (which has been adjusted during the pandemic).
            2. Encouraged Coaches and members to look at and dig into COVID-19 resources page on USA swimming for continually updated information.
            3. M Schmidt encouraged members to use Aquatic Coalition Resources from USA Swimming (link on SD website).
            4. Currently many of the restrictions are coming from facilities/Cities and possibly the State.  M Schmidt proposed a subcommittee to be formed to help with collecting facility/City contact information and then the distribution of materials to help educate them.

Subcommittee of M Schmidt, B Hendricks, J White and B Hein formed to help with gathering information, review and distribution of information from the LSC.

J Chambers discussed the possibility of USA Swimming (Shana Ferguson-sp?) to be able to put together a Zoom call for the state if we can get many of the facilities onto the call.

M Schmidt to send out an email to HOD reps to provide contact information for facilities.

* 1. Fall HOD Meeting
     1. There are a large number of proposals and in our pandemic the question to be answered is if we will be able to meet in person versus using a Zoom vs Microsoft teams software call.  Also a discussion regarding managing discussions.
        1. J Chambers encouraged the use of a Moderator on a video conference call
        2. Discussion regarding how to handle voting.
        3. Discussion regarding meeting in one session or multiple.
           1. Decision to be made in future regarding in person vs video conference(s).

1. Workshop Items
   1. Strategic Plan Initiatives
      1. To increase athlete performance and retention of upper level swimmers. (K Margheim, C Swanson)
      2. To increase 11 and over athlete performance and retention of mid-level swimmers (B Hendricks, C Baechler, C Swanson)
      3. Host an annual awards banquet (C Pietz and D Timmer)
      4. Governance (C Kincart and M Schmidt) Encouraged nominations for Spring 2021 HOD meeting and what their roles might be.
      5. Improve communication within the LSC (L Pineiro, Harrell, R Sorbe)
   2. M Schmidt encouraged all to keep plans in mind and focus on them in our current environment.
2. Adjournment @ 1950 by M Schmidt.  Next meeting October (10/3).  Location TBD.

Minutes submitted by B Hein.