

**Florida Gold Coast  
Board of Directors Meeting  
April 2, 2014 @ 7:30 pm  
Plantation Park Pool**

I. Call to Order- Allan Williams called meeting to order at 7:42pm

II. Roll Call/Excused Absences

Chair-	Allan Williams-P	Guests:
Vice-Chair-	Jim McCombs -P	Hollie Bonewit-Cron
Sr. Chair-	Jimmy Parmenter-P	Brian Lacusky
Age Gr Chair-	Julie Smiddy -P	Jeff Poppell
Coaches Rep-	Sid Cassidy-P	Chadli Fernandez
Coaches Rep-	Dolores Campbell-P	Jennifer Gibson
Coaches Rep-	Kirk Peppas-Ex	Bruno Darzi
Treasurer-	Dick Cavanah -P	Gianluce Alberani
Secretary	Lori Bosco-Ex	Dennis Lugeming
Official Chair	Adam Zeichner-P	
Finance Chair	David Hammond-P	
Safety Chair	Duffy Dillon-Ex	
Athlete Rep	Jared Fish-P	
Athlete Rep (D)	Kelly Fertel-P	
Athlete Rep (B)	Caroline Nava-Excused	
Athlete Rep (PB)	Sara Lacusky-P	
At-Large-(2yr)	Jay Thomas-P	
At-Large-(2yr)	Lou Manganiello-P	
At-Large-(1yr)	Kathleen Prindle-P	
At-Large-(1yr)	Gordan Andrews-Excused	
Chair Advisor	Chris Anderson-P	

III. Approval of January 21, 2014 meeting minutes-Jimmy Parmenter. **Second.** Jim McCombs. **Passed.** *No opposed*

IV. Officers Reports

A. **General Chair**

Allan Williams

1. Update Bylaws: Reviewing Bylaws and will make sure in line with Thomas USA Swimming's annual revisions.
2. Remind Coaches not to respond directly to Bloggers as they are NOT official media. You can direct them to USA swimming.

3. Closed Deck Policy at USA Championship meets- used at Sectionals and Senior Champs. Look at possibly working with the host team in closing deck for championship meets. Discussion

**Motion:** *On a one- time trial basis, Close Deck policy for summer Junior Olympic Champs with one police officer and two security guards to enforce and subsidize cost by FGC.* **Jimmy Parmenter. Second Jim McCombs. Passed. Two opposed**

4. Results, Team scores and High Point must be posted on deck each evening for championship meets.

5. House of Delegates date changed to November 17, 2014 location will be at Volunteer Park.

6. Swimming Hall of Fame Festivities discussed. FGC will reimburse up to 10 individuals for dinner-notify Allen if want to go. June 13-15 \*Sid Cassidy is being inducted.

**B. Vice Chair** Jim McCombs (Technical Planning)

1. Request for Time Finals for summer JO's due to thunderstorms. Discussion

**Motion:** *To do Time Finals for 10 and Under athletes at the 2014 Summer Junior Olympic beginning thirty minutes after other session have concluded. To also include Area Champs.* **Julie Smiddy Second. Duffy Dillon. Passed. Two opposed.**

**Motion:** *For 2014 summer Junior Olympics for ages 11-14: move all relays at the end of prelim session stack at the back end of the meet with a 10 minute break between.* **Sid Cassidy. Second Jim McCombs Passed. Five opposed.**

2. Technical planning meeting – February 19, 2014
  - a. Discussion of Junior Olympic cuts.
  - b. Discussed Use of meet information template
  - c. Procedure for Sanctions
  - d. Referee must be verified- for meet proposed
  - e. Winter champs time standards
  - f. Bid process discussed
  - g. Next meeting in May-2015 Meet calendar is approved at 6/10/2014 Board meeting.

3. Championship Meet schedule:

**Motion:** *Area Champs February 28-March 1, 2015.* **Jim McCombs. Second. Dick Cavanah Passed. No opposed**

**Motion:** *Junior Olympics March 6-March 8, 2015.* **Jim McCombs. Second. Dick Cavanah Passed. No opposed.**

**Motion:** FGC Senior Championships: March 20-March 22, 2015. **Jim McCombs. Second.** Dick Cavanah **Passed.** No opposed.

**Motion:** All Stars-March – March 28-March 29, 2015 will check with FL swimming with an alternate date of April 11-April 12 2015. **Jim McCombs. Second.** Dick Cavanah **Passed.** No Opposed.

**Motion:** Area Champs for Summer- July 10-July 12, 2015 **Jim McCombs. Second.** Dick Cavanah. **Passed.** No Opposed.

(Postpone discussion to split group into two areas (north and south) versus 3 meets)

**Motion:** FGC Senior Championships: July 17-July 19, 2015. **Jim mcCombs. Second.** Dick Cavanah **Passed.** No opposed.

**Motion:** Summer Junior Olympics: July 24-July 26. **Jim McCombs. Second.** Dick Cavanah **Passed.** No Opposed

**Motion:** Winter Championships: November 19-November 22, 2015. **Jim McCombs. Second.** Dick Cavanah **Passed.** No Opposed.

**Motion:** Swimposium: April 18, 2015. Jim McCombs. **Second.** Dick Cavanah No Opposed.

C. **Athletes** Jared Fish, Sara Lacusky, Caroline Nava, Kelly Fertel  
1. No report-

D. **Coaches** Kirk Peppas, Dolores Campbell, Sid Cassidy-  
1. No report-

E. **Senior** Jimmy Parmenter  
1. Sectionals March  
2. Senior Champs- closed deck ran smooth  
3. Jr. National- in Orlando a fast meet..100 less swimmers than 2013  
4. Jr. National cup- another good meet. American record set and National records  
5. Senior circuit meet- next one at Indian River-April 5, 2014 and then Brandon Meet on May 3, 2014.  
6. Summer Sectionals in Orlando  
7. Senior Champs in Coral Springs-discussed some cuts that were slower than some of the JO cuts. No Change at this time.

F. **Age Group** Julie Smiddy-  
1. All Star meet- this weekend. April 5-6, 2014  
2. Need of one 11-12 year old girl for Open Water Swim.  
3. Age group recognition Day May 10, 2014 at St. Andrews. Recognize All Stars, Top- ten, Top IMax score: All swimmers are listed on website to be

honored and teams/coaches were emailed and notified-Having a difficult time getting information out to parents/athletes. Any suggestions- send to Julie.

4. Age Group coach of the year 2013-
  - a. Discussed of criteria to identify coach by # of Athletes, coaches, facilities.

**Motion:** To Accept guideline presented by Julie to select FGC Coach of the year to be selected by Executive Board. **Jimmy Parmenter. Second. Sid Cassidy Passed. One opposed.**

5. Proposed adjustments for area champs based on feedback:
  - a. Safety- have a designated lane for warm-up and close deck
  - b. minimum B time standard
  - c. no 6 and Under: age is 7-14 year olds age is age of athlete on first day of meet.
  - d. positive check-in and Time Trials

**Motion:** To send to Technical planning to review all recommendations suggested by Age Group Chair for adjustments to Area Champs. **Jim McCombs. Second. Sid Cassidy. Passed. 2 Opposed.**

6. Meet Sanctions: Age group chair is getting requests 5-10 days prior to meet.  
FGC Rules require 60 days submittal prior to the start of the Meet. Clubs will be fined \$100 flat fee and \$50 per day for last distribution to teams. Fines will be levied to teams not complying to the meet rules.

G. **Registration** Dick Cavanah  
1. Registration report-handout

H. **Treasurer** Dick Cavanah  
1. Hand out  
2. Taxes due May 15, 2014

I. **Officials** Adam Zeichner  
1. Stroke and Turn clinics-around 15 new ones  
2. Starter and Referee Clinics have 8 new  
3. Administrative Official clinic- looking for locations maybe north and south April 15 and April 17  
4. Received positive feedback from officials of 2 Area Champs versus 3.  
5. Jay attended "Our Kids" NHS rules meeting past week to encourage coaches to give feedback on surveys

#### V. Committee Reports

- a. **Safe Sport**-Jennifer Gibson- Jennifer will be attending the May 16-18, 2014 Zone workshop in Tampa

b. Director of USA swimming safe sport- concern is low number of coaches involved and getting the word out-looking at more programming and more people educated. Maybe have more on website about Safe sport

2. **FGC Information/FGC Website Taskforce**-Kathleen Pringle

- a. Recommendations to increase speed and accuracy information getting out to the athletes. Looked at what USA swimming does to compare: facebook first, Twitter second and then instsagram is 3<sup>rd</sup>. also use newspaper and television. Did a survey around FGC to see how they got the word. Recommend to begin with a facebook page to promote LSC success versue individual clubs. Who manage/monitor. Discussion.

**Motion:** *To create a social media implementation task force lead by Chadli Fernandez and Sid Cassidy and engaging the athletes. To give them the authority to come up with guidelines to start a facebook page and twitter.* **Duffy Dillon. Second.** Jimmy Parmenter. Withdrawn.

**Motion:** *For the taskforce committee to look for a person or professional firm to set up across platform social media for a one- time fee of \$2,500 or less.* David Hammond. Second Sid Cassidy **Passed.** No opposed.

3. **Volunteerism**

Jay, Lori

- a. No report

4. **Financial investment:**

David Hammond

- a. No report

5. **Open Water**

Sid Cassidy

- a. Swim Miami  
b. Key West Open Water Swim- June 14, 2014

6. **Safety**

Duffy Dillon

- a. No report

7. **Records/Times/NTV**

Jay Thomas

- a. Looking for a volunteer for records  
b. Number of meets applied and results submitted.

8. **Board of Review**

Christopher Anderson

- a. No report

9. **Disability Swimming**

Kirk Peppas

- a. No report.

10. **Outreach/Diversity**

Chadli Fernandez

- a. Waiting for Zone information to get Camp going will keep updated

**11. Social Events task force**

a. No report

VII. **Old Business-** None

VIII. **New Business** – Action Items (Before 10:00PM)

A. none

IX. **Announcement of New Teams** Cavanah-

One new club- University of Miami

X. FGC B.O. D. 2014 Meeting Schedule-

A.. June 10<sup>th</sup>-Boca Raton-7:30pm

B. September 23<sup>th</sup>-Plantation

C. November 17<sup>th</sup>-(includes House of Delegates meeting)- Plantation

XI. Adjournment -10:35 pm.