Meeting Called to order by Chris Oliver at 8:30 pm.

**Roll Call:** Jeff Wise, Fred Lewis, Sherwood Watts, Eric Bing, Bob Ruth, Charlie Rose, Don Henshaw, Helen Kelly, Jackie Kenny, Emma Volz, Corey Stein, Justin Correia, Scott Barlow, Thomas Tiedt, Todd Hoffmier, Lisa Bitting, Jon Sakovich, Mark Corley, Terry Maul, Emma Donahue

Minutes from 2/21/12 meeting were approved. Motion by Mark Corley, seconded by Sherwood Watts.

Chairman Report: Chris Oliver gave an overview. We need to finalize this year the Championship meet bid process. We should analyze how it goes this weekend and be ready to decide the process going forward.

**Area Reports:**

- **Area 1 – Mark Corley** – No report
- **Area 2 – Jeff Wise** – Patriot ran a great area meet. 550-600 athletes. The meet had lots of enthusiasm. The meet was 2 days, timed final, all ages in one session.
- **Area 3 – Fred Lewis** – SYS ran a great area meet. Some problems on Saturday night that they will handle within the area. The meet was 2 days, p/f, and had approximately 900 swimmers.
- **Area 4 – Terry Maul** – Bolles ran a great area meet. It was held in 2 courses which helped the time line. There was approximately 600 swimmers. The meet was 2 days, timed finals, and the sessions were split by age group.
- **Area 6 – Steve Lochte** was not there. Scott Barlow spoke to the area meet. The meet was very small. Sessions were only 1.5 hours. DBS ran the meet very well. There is concern about the numbers, although it is often small in the spring. Chris Oliver suggested that Scott bring this up in his area caucus and see if they would like to join another area meet in the spring. They could decide as an area that they would like to ask to join another area meet. That area would then have to decide if they would like them to join or not.

**Senior Champ Analysis:**

All area reps commented on the running of Long Course at night. The comments were as follows:

- It was difficult to come back and swim LC at night. Athletes should swim SC during SC season, and LC during LC season.
- Only benefitted a handful of people.
• Something we had to do since OT cuts are LC only. It was a disadvantage for kids trying to make the zone team.
• This turned the meet into 7 timed finals sessions. Don’t know that it helped. It hurts the HS Juniors that could have improved their SC times for college. Physiologically and psychologically the athletes are trained and conditioned to swim faster at night.
• Glad that we tried it. We will have a basis for deciding if we want to do it again in 4 years.
• Chris Oliver requested that we discuss if it helped get faster swims in the morning. Response was an emphatic no. Swimming the fastest heat first may have helped some.
• This forced college swimmers to not come to the meet.

FLAGs:
• It was agreed upon by all that SYS ran a great meet. There warm up/warm down space was great, the deck space was great, crowd management was great, organization and planning were great. Sherwood wants said thanks for all the positive feedback.
• There was discussion about the Saturday night session that had some bad weather. It was suggested that we may need to consider the weather aspect more. The response was that we take a gamble on weather to get more warm up/warm down space and better air quality.
• There was discussion about moving meet to March. Moving it to March does allow us to consider outdoor venues in the southern part of our LSC. There was comments that the later meet allows more kids to make the meet and keeps kids in the water longer. Sherwood stated that February or March makes no difference to him.
• There was a suggestion to move 10 and under relays to Saturday and Sunday and get the 500 to another day. Most stated that they liked the format the way that it is. Chris Oliver suggested that we give some consideration to the expense that our youngest athletes have in travelling to a meet like this for 4 days.

2013 Meet Schedule:
• Many of the meet bids are incomplete. All bids are to have entry fee information and type of meet. Approximately half of the bids do not have this information.
• Helen is to reach out to all teams and get them to turn in this information immediately. Helen is to update the meet schedule to include this information prior to Sundays BOD meeting.
• There was discussion about the meet bid process. We will need to clarify weather meets can be added after the meet bid deadline without getting the approval of the TP rep.
• Since we have incomplete information we did not recommend to approve the 2013 meet schedule.

Next meeting will be in person the Saturday before the HOD meeting.