Florida Swimming House of Delegates
Orlando, Florida
10/8/2017


Athlete Reps: Athletes were present

Florida Swimming Staff: Helen Kelly, Vanessa Brewer, and Kiki Cook

Ira Klein called the meeting to order at 9:06 am

Approval for Minutes: Minutes were accepted

Report of Officers:

General Chair, Ira Klein: Requested volunteer to serve as Parliamentarian for the HOD meetings. Contact Ira or Helen if interested.

Florida Swimming has achieved Leap 2 status and will receive $2,500 from USA-Swimming. LSC will be working on Leap 3 to receive a $5,000 bonus.

USA-S has created Flex Membership for $20.00. Swimmers may only swim 2 USA sanctioned meets and to continue to participate in meets will need to register year round. Flex Membership will start 2019 registration year.

USA-S is also offering an exception and waiver to 120 days. USA could also possibly offer financial assistance for those affected by the hurricanes.

As of Sept 1st, 2018 registration fees will be $75.00. The extra money collected off of the registration fee will assist in funding travel support for athletes, coaches and officials.

In the January Board meeting, a proposal was brought forth that clubs will no longer receive a credit for attending HOD meetings and the year round club registration will be $300.

At the January Board meeting, the 2018 FLAGS date was voted on to move to February. It is suggested by USA-S that Age Group Championships should proceed Senior Championships.
USA-S wants LSC to have 2 HOD meeting a year.

**Vice Chair, Bill Vargo:** No Report

**Senior Chair, Charlie Rose:**

**AWARDS:**

**Senior Swimmer of the Year**

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Senior Boy: Caleb Dressel, UF

Spring Sectionals will be held in Plantation March 8-11, 2018. Summer Sectionals will be held in Gainesville July 6-9, 2018. Cuts will be faster, outside Sectional swimmers are 100 and must have a Futures cut to attend, and 1 bonus. There will 50 cuts and times will be taken from the 100 cut.

Spring Senior Champs will be held in Orlando February 22-25th. Adding 50’s to the meet and 2 bonus. Summer Senior Champs on July 19-22. Cuts will be tightened standards as will and adding 50’s and 2 bonus swims.

Support will be included in one form. Swimmers will receive $25 for food. Coaches and Officials will not receive food reimbursement. Futures and Open Water Nationals will be supported.

**Age Group Chair, Scott Caron:** All Star format will change to make it a more exciting meet. FLAGS times will stay the same. Creating a template meet announcement for FLAGS and Senior Champs. Short Course will out by November 1st. Long Course will be out by April 1st.

Created 2 types of awards IMX award for single age group (highest IMX score) and Outstanding Swimmer of the Year single age group (highest Power Point for event).

2018 Zone meet will be in Midland, TX. All Star selection and Zone Selection will be out by November.

**AWARDS: Age Group Swimmer of the Year**

**Short Course**

| 10 & unders Girl: Ashlin Cannella, AAC | 10 & unders Boy: Aidan Clements, SWIM |
| 11 Year Old Girl: Addison Sauickie, SYS | 11 Year Old Boy: Evan Keough, SRQ |
| 12 Year Old Girl: Michaela Mattes, SYS | 12 Year Old Boy: Jake Sherman, TBAY |
| 13 Year Old Girl: Alexis Mulvihill, TV | 13 Year Old Boy: Dawson Joyce, SA |
| 14 Year Old Girl: Abigail Gibbson, BD | 14 Year Old Boy: Garrett McGovern, TBAY |

**Long Course**

| 10 & under Girl: Ella Klyce, STAR | 10 & under Boy: Simeon Prosinski, LA |
| 11 Year Old Girl: Addison Reese, STAR | 11 Year Old Boy: Michael Traynor, SYS |
| 12 Year Old Girl: Summer Cardwell, TBAY | 12 Year Old Boy: Jake Sherman, TBAY |
| 13 Year Old Girl: Sara Stotler, LA | 13 Year Old Boy: Louis Body, BSS |
| 14 Year Old Girl: Sara Stotler, LA | 14 Year Old Boy: Mason Laur, T2 |
Treasurer, Mark McCaw: Budget in packet. Investment committee report – investments are up and doing well. 2016 Audit Committee report suggested a few minor suggestions.

Motion to approve new budget, Second, Approved.

Secretary, Jeanne Epps: No Report

Executive Director, Helen Kelly: No Report
Next year’s USA-S convention is to be held in Jacksonville. Attendance is a great learning experience. Anyone interested in attending please contact Florida Swimming office know.

Helen Kelly was awarded the 2017 Women in Aquatics Award at this year’s convention.

Officials Committee, Stephen Plapp: 2 Awards were given: Fred Cruciger Award was given to Joe Glennon and the Al Soltis Award was given to Danielle Grimme.

The Officials committee is trying to encourage more people to become officials. Numbers were up a little from last year. Rules & Regulations states that clubs have officials in order to host a meet in proportion to the number of swimmers in their club. Officials Committee recommended BOD that teams attending away meets to participate in those meets have officials working the meet. Item was tabled for further discussion within the committee.

Committee voted to elect Roger Deary for the Officials Committee Chair and Cary Showalter as Vice Chair.

Area Representatives:
Area 1 Representative: Jeff Breault, assistant Keith Powell
Area 2 Representative: Mike Brewer, assistant TBA
Area 3 Representative : John Janssen, assistant Brent Ewald
Area 4 Representative : Doug Garthwait, assistant Alex Kercheval
Area 5 Representative : Tim Jacobson, assistant TBA
Area 6 Representative: Joe Glennon, assistant TBA
Coach Representative: TBA
Athlete Representative: TBA

Safety, Cori Welbes: Safe Sport has been renamed by USA Swimming to Operational Risk and Safe Sport Chair.

Attended the Operational Risk Meeting in Denver. Concern with concussions and want to make sure all athletes get completely checked by a doctor and be educated on concussions. Air quality in indoor pools was also a subject of discussion.

Safe Sport is to create a safe, healthy and positive environments for athletes. Request from clubs to submit a name for their Safe Sport coordinator. Encouraged everyone to read the weekly Safe Sport scenarios, know about Safe Sport Mondays, include Safe Sport heat sheets for meets and inform parents/athletes of Safe Sport information on the website.

Adaptive Chair: Request for volunteer to Chair committee.

Diversity Chair, Erin Crabtree: Thanked committee members. Requested anyone that is interested in being part of committee to contact members and let the committee know of any Diversity or Outreach happenings at your club. Newsletter will be published quarterly.
National Diversity Camp attendee:
Grace Khunduang

Southern Zone Diversity Camp attendee:
Gabby Shepard
Jillian Santiago
Kyle Casiple
Xavier Barnes

Coaches Representative, Justin Correia:

2017-2018 National Team Coaches
Greg Troy, GSC
Jeff Propel, GSC
Steve Youngblood, GSC
Fred Lewis, SPA
Brent Arckey, SYS
Eric Nelson, SYS

2017-2018 Junior National Team Coaches
Robert Pinter, GSC
David Gesacion, TBAY
Jon Sakovich, BSS
Mike Kuzma, BSS
Ira Klein, SRQ

USA-S will recognize Jr Coaches between the ages of 16-17 and will be under the direct supervision of a registered coach.
First coaches clinic was hosted at Florida Southern. There were 30 coaches in attendance. Thank Mike Glum and Megan Garland for hosting this event. Also like to thank Peter Banks, Bruce Follensbee and Scott Colby for being the presenters. Announcing Coach of the Year at HOD.

2017 HALL OF FAME
Trip Schwenk
Gregg Burgess
Maritza Correia

Coaches meeting after the BOD meeting there was lots of discussion: Developing coaches clinics and creating different tracks, Hall of Fame recognitions such as banners at the championship meets, discussed the officials proposal, development and retention, rethink structuring of championship meets, interest to hold coaches meeting before the Technical Planning meeting to bring more ideas.

Age Group Coach of the Year                  Sr Coach of the Year
Eric Jacob LA                                Fred Lewis SPA

Open Water, Gregg Cross: 2018 Open Water Championship and LSC Club Challenge and selection of the Southern Zone Team is April 13-15, 2018. The 2017 Open Water championship was held at Miromar Lakes. There were 7 LSCs that were represented at this event. FL All Star Team was chosen from FLAGs and Sr Champs.
Southern Zone Team was selected from the Open Water Championships. Team went to North Carolina, was coached by Cashel Mack and placed 2nd. There were 2 swimmers that qualified for Open Water National Championships, and 4 swimmers qualified for Open Water Junior National Championship. Selection for All Star Team and Southern Zone will be the same this year. Southern Zones is in Tennessee and 2019 will be at Miromar Lakes.

**Athlete Rep:** No Report

**Technical Planning, Mike Brady:** On going discussion about adding Spring Age Group Sectional meet and options. There was a discussion with Florida Gold and they are not ready for meet like this. Tabled for future discussion.

Discussion to support the Officials in their request to recruit more officials and helping at meets. Committee supports tentative proposals but will be discussed at next BOD.

Discussion of consistency in championship meets in regards to timelines and meet announcements. Information will be posted by November for Spring Championships and April for Summer.

Committee supported swimmer support plan that is being presented. One form for simplicity and a plan to fully fund events and also include Open Water Nationals and Futures. Due to the revenue shortfall to fund national meets, there is a new business proposal to increase surcharge fees from $.50 to $.65 for Time Finals and $.80 to $.90 for Prelim/Finals and eliminate the percentage fee. Budget show the reflections of this increase. Tech Planning was in favor of this proposal.

Motion for discussion of proposal to raise the surcharges fees by $.15 for time finals and $.10 for prelims/finals fee along with eliminating percentage fees, seconded, open for discussion.

Amended to motion to increase the entry fees on timed finals by $.15 and raising entry fees on prelims/finals by $.10. Motion, seconded, passed.

Call to question, seconded, end of discussion.

Motion to increase entry fee by the amount to increase surcharge fee, seconded, passed.

Motion for a proposal to raise the sanction fee for meets for dual and intersquad meets. Motion, seconded, passed.

**Area Reports:**

**Area 1**
Coach: Erin Crabtree, NFS, 1 year  
Coach: Robert Pinter, GSC, 2 year  
TP: Steven Plapp  
Area meet: Spring: March 3-4 BSS  
Summer: July 28-29 ATAC

**Area 2**
Coach: Alex Dehner, LAKR, 2 year  
Coach: Scott Caron, HAWK, 1 year  
TP: Ty Segrest, HIGH  
Area meet: Spring: March 3-4 PA  
Summer: July 28-29 HAWK

**Area 3**
Coach: John Bruenning, TYS, 1 year  
Coach: Ryan Gober, GSTA, 1 year  
TP: Fred Lewis, SPA

**Area 4**
Coach: Gerry Norris, ATAC, 1 year  
Coach: Sveta Sankovich, USC, 2 year  
TP: Terry Maul, ATAC
Area meet: Spring March 9-11 SPA  
Summer July 27-29 SPA

Area meet: Spring March 3-4 BSS  
Summer July 28-29 ATAC

Area 5
Coach: Don Henshaw, GCST
Coach: Sherwood Watts, SYS
TP:  Brent Arckey, SYS
Area meet: Spring Feb 3-4, SYS  
Summer July 28-29, T2

Area 6
Coach: Mike Rochelle, 2 year
Coach: Pat Love, 1 year
TP: Steve Lotche, DBS
Area meet: Spring March 17-18 BRSC  
Summer August 4-5 IRSC

Nomination Committee Report

Admin Vice Chair: Charlie Rose, 2 year
Coaches Rep: Justin Correia, 2 year (2nd Term)
Vice Chair - Finance: Mark McCaw, 2 year
Registration/Membership: Helen Kelly, 2 year
Sr Vice Chair: Peter Banks, 2 year
Board of Review: Greg Burgess, Ann Stone, Susan Nesper, Maria Zambito, Mike Rochelle, Jeff Pishko

Last year it was voted to create a Vice Chair - Finance Chair who will oversee the Treasurer, budget audit and investments. Proposal is to remove Treasurer from the board and take away the term limits. It is an elective position but not a voting position. Motion, seconded, Approved.

USA is mandating we must have 2 HOD meeting a year. Recommendation to hold a 2nd meeting during the championships in February held in Orlando. Motion to have the meeting held Saturday at Sr Champs. Seconded, discussion. Motion to have meeting at Sr. Champs, passed.

Mark McCaw was recognized for his service to Florida Swimming and was given the Phillip 66 Award for Excellence and Service.

Discussion to review by-laws in regards to hosting teams and official requirements.

Discussion that each team would have a technical planning representative and changing the by-laws. This will be discussed at the next HOD.

Decide the dates on for HOD in October 6-7, 2018. Motion, seconded, passed.

Vote on Bids for 2018 Championship for Long Course
FLAGS July 12-15 - CAT  
Sr Champs July 19-22 - SPA

Motion to destroy the ballots, seconded, Approved.

Motion to adjourn meeting, seconded, Approved.