Meeting open at 6:00 pm

**Attendance:** Ira Klein, Randy Johnson, Maria Zambito, Mike Brady, Mark McCaw, Fred Lewis, Brent Arckey, Ryan Gober, John Bruening, Manny Noguchi, Mark Corley, Scott Caron, Cashel Mack, Gregg Cross, Don Henshaw, Justin Correia, Dale Porter, Jeff Pishko, Stephen Plapp, Roger Deary, Joe Glennon, Robyn Anthony, Cori Welbes, Jim Lindberg, Bill Vargo, Pat Love, Charlie Rose, Jeanne Epps, Mike Rochelle, Jill Rochelle.

Staff: Helen Kelly, Vanessa Brewer, Kiki Cook

**MINUTES:** Motion to accept, Seconded, Passed

**VICE CHAIR REPORT:** No report.

**SR VICE CHAIR REPORT:** Spring Sectionals on March 8-11, 2018 to be held in Plantation; Summer Sectionals on July 6-9, 2018 at Gainesville. This is Friday - Monday due to July 4th holiday. The summer times are going to be faster to limit size of meet. Outside swimmers will have to have a Futures cut and limiting it to 100 swimmers. 50’s times will be determined by the 100 times divided by 2 minus 2. There is one bonus cut.

Senior Champs Spring be held February 22-25, 2018 at YMCA Orlando and will tighten the time standards. Will be adding 50 cuts as well. Dropping to 1 bonus to be determined at HOD meeting. Summer will be held July 19-22, 2018 pool to be announced. Summer will be the same as Spring with times being tightened and 50 cuts added.

**AGE GROUP CHAIR REPORT:** No changes to FLAGS time standards. All Star Meet format will change and only affect Friday and relays.

**TREASURE REPORT:** The budget does include the raise of the registration fee to funds toward athlete/coach travel support. Budget includes revenue proposals to support the addition of national meets. Additional value to assets as reported in Investment report.

**SECRETARY REPORT:** No Report

**REGISTRATION / MEMBERSHIP REPORT:** No Report

**OFFICIALS REPORT:** Stephen Plapp is transitioning out and Roger Deary was voted to replace as new Committee Chair. Discussion on the need for more officials. A proposal was submitted that clubs must have certain number of officials per number of swimmers to host meets and teams going to meets will have to supply official(s). Proposal suggested for every 20 swimmers that a club bring 1 official. Teams that do not have an official(s) will be fined.

**Motion to accept the proposal, Seconded.**

Discussion followed.
Proposal withdrawn and suggestion made that committee revisit proposal and redefine more. Request for coaches to participate in Officials Committee.
REGISTRATION: Membership numbers in packet. Flex Membership will cost $20.00 and allow participation in 2 sanctioned meets. Membership will be offered starting in the 2019 registration year.

USA-Swimming is also giving a pass on the 120 day unattached rule for athletes that have been displaced due to the hurricanes. USA-Swimming is also trying to create a fund to offer financial help for athletes, coaches and clubs in need.

SAFE SPORT REPORT: Requesting clubs to provide their Safe Sport representative information. Safe Sport Chair is now called Operational Risk and Safety Chair.

DIVERSITY CHAIR: A newsletter was sent out to LSC with a write-up from the 4 swimmers that attended the Diversity Select Camp.

COACH REPRESENTATIVE: 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.

2017-2018 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

2017 HALL OF FAME
Trip Schwenk
Gregg Burgess
Maritza Correia

USA-S will recognize Jr Coaches between the ages of 16-17 and will be under the direct supervision of a registered coach.

Would like to have coaches meeting moved earlier and encouraged participation and involvement.

OPEN WATER: 2017 Open Water Championship was held at Miromar Lakes. FL All Star Team was chosen for FLAGS and Sr Champs. Southern Zone team was selected from the Open Water Championship. That team went to North Carolina and the team was coached by Cashel Mack. FL Swimming placed 2nd, 2 swimmers 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 as this year. Southern Zones is in Tennessee and 2019 will be at Miromar Lakes.

ATHLETE REP.: No Report

TECHNICAL PLANNING: Discussion of uniform meet announcement for Championship meets with all details regarding meet to be published once site is determined. Posting announcement for Spring would be November 1st and for Summer April 1st.
Discussion on Winter Championship meet and support of clubs.
Discussion on a proposal for sanction fees. All meets hosted and sanctioned must pay splash fee.
Discussion and support on athlete support using one form per team, categorized hotel, flight and food. Food reimbursement will not be given to coaches/officials. No individual forms.
Discussion and support of increase in splash fee of $.15 for Time Finals and $.10 for Prelims/Finals to help with the added expense for athlete support.
Will go into effect 2018.
Motion, seconded, approved by BOD to go to HOD.

Sanction fee charge for dual meets and intra squad meets.
Motion, seconded, approved by BOD to go to HOD.

Change to By-Laws from Treasurer to Vice Chair – Finance.
Motion, seconded, approved by BOD to go to HOD.

Recommendation to have 2 HOD meetings a year. The meeting would be held a one of the Championship meets.

Motion to Adjourn, seconded, adjourned.