FLORIDA SWIMMING BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
SPECIAL MEETING
CONFERENCE CALL
APRIL 1, 2002

Minutes

General Chairman Jim Kelly called the meeting to order at 8:06pm. Those in attendance were as follows: Jim Kelly, Helen Kelly, Gay Wright, Mac Kennedy, Bill Vargo, Bob Griffiths, Stuart Michelson, Daniel Jimar, Grant Nelson, Lindsay Largo, Randy Johnson, Sherwood Watts, Tom Keer, Fred Lewis and Mike Yearwood.

General Chairman Jim Kelly announced that the purpose of this conference call meeting was to discuss returning the 13/14 group to the Long Course Junior Olympics Meet and that this meeting was called by Sherwood Watts, Randy Johnson and Gay Wright.

Prior to opening the floor for discussion Mr. Kelly announced the appointment of Vic Riggs as Area 1 representative to replace Scott Caron who is now the Coaches Representative. He also stated that as this was a special meeting that no reports need to be given unless officers had a report. None were given.

Mr. Kelly then opened the floor for discussion.

Sherwood Watts began the discussion by stating he felt a mistake had been made. After having a great spring JO's we should keep the format of having the 13/14's in the age group JO's. Randy Johnson, Gay Wright, Stuart Michelson and Bill Vargo stated comments in support of returning the 13/14's to the Long Course JO's.

Bill Vargo suggested returning the 13/14's back to JO's with changes to the events. The length of time at last years Sr. Champs and JO's were discussed. Randy Johnson suggested making the 10 & under 400 freestyle, 11/12 400 free, 200 back, 200 breast and 200 fly timed final events swimming the fastest heats at night. Bill Vargo asked that the 400 IM be added to that list.

Jim Kelly stated that the qualifying times should not be changed for this year as they had already

been published. Helen Kelly stated that the problem was as a whole the athletes are swimming faster (a credit to our LSC) but agreed we should wait until next year to adjust the qualifying times.

Jim Kelly introduced Lindsay Largo from Sarasota Swim Florida as the new Athlete's Rep and asked for comments from her and Grant Nelson.

Lindsay commented some of the athletes would be upset because they had already made travel plans based on the current schedule. Grant Nelson agrees we should keep the 13/14's in the JO meet.

A motion was made by Bill Vargo to move the 13/14's back to Long Course JO's with the following changes; 10 & Under and 11/12 400 free, 11/12 400 IM, 200 back, 200 breast and 200 fly be timed final events swimming the fastest heat at evening finals, and that all these be "check-in" events including relays. The motion was seconded by Sherwood Watts. The motion carried with no opposition.

Jim Kelly thanked everyone for participating.

A motion was made, seconded and passed to adjourn.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:27 pm.

Everyone was reminded of the LSC camps and that swimmers needed to sign up!

Respectfully submitted,

Gay Wright, Secretary