



**FLORIDA SWIMMING BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
RADISSON BARCELO HOTEL
ORLANDO, FLORIDA
NOVEMBER 8, 2003**

Minutes

Chairman Jim Kelly called the meeting to order at 6:10PM immediately following a productive Technical Planning Meeting. Those in attendance were as follows: Jim Kelly, Helen Kelly, Scott Caron, Gay Wright, Jeff Poppell, Scott Kimmelman, Helen Ryan, Mac Kennedy, Stuart Michelson, Helen Ryan, Bill Vargo, Mike Whaley, Lindsey Largo, Don Henshaw, Steve Fenning, Nancy Hennessy, Jack Goltz, Bob Griffiths, Cashel Mack, Chuck Burgess, Jon Sakovich, Tom Keer, Mike Yearwood, Rick Benner, Dan Jimar, Shaun Zitani, Lindsey Largo, Steve Altheimer, Julie Carusone and Steve Lochte.

Guests and Visitors in attendance were; Randy Johnson, Bob Griffiths, Bill Kuminka, Terry Maul, Martin Zubero and Pat Lunsford

The Motion was made & seconded to approve the minutes of the last meeting, motion carried.

REPORT OF OFFICERS:

General Chairman: Jim Kelly's report is in the book.

Admn. Vice Chairman: No Report.

Senior Vice Chairman: Mac Kennedy's report is in the book.

Age Group Vice-Chair: Nancy Hennessy reported on the zone meet. The final score was impacted by lack of 17-18 girls. A wild card will be selected in the future to fill vacancies such as this. This year's zone meet will be a 4.5 day meet in Fort Lauderdale. All other information is in the book.

Treasurer: Stuart Michelson explained the budget sheet handout. Mentioned 501C3, and has filled out paperwork for IRS, he added clarification where needed. He recommended we need to amend our "Articles of Corporation" Needs to state "charitable –education" religious or scientific, motion made, seconded and passed.

OTHER REPORTS:

Executive Director: Helen Kelly reported it has been a good year. The Irene Hackett Scholarship Award had received good participation. The First Annual Awards were given at Senior Champs by Bud Hackett to Chris Caywood of St. Edwards and Nellie Langeland of North Central Florida YMCA. Helen encouraged members to send notes to Bud Hackett. Helen also announced that Jim Kelly had been honored with the "Lifetime Award" by USA Swimming.

Registration Chairperson: Helen Kelly provided the following 3 year comparison;

	2003	2002	2001
Athletes	9,267	9,521	9,127
Non-Athletes	714	714	684
Clubs	113	103	112

Officials: Jack Goltz announced the Al Soltis award had been awarded to Grady Steele and the Fred Cruciger Award to Roger Deary. Pat Lunsford a guest official touched on starting procedures discussed and practiced during the starter's clinic. Thirty-four officials attended the clinic earlier in the day, Team Orlando provided 17 volunteer swimmers to help. Jack announced a list of officials per team had been given to Helen Kelly. Teams are to contact their area official's representative or Jack on their officiating needs and concerns.

Safety: Linda Cassidy not present

Adapted Swimming: Apryle Nickson not present

Coaches: Scott Caron's report is in the book.

Athletes:

Lindsey Largo/Julie Carusone report is in the book.

Technical Planning: Steve Lochte discussed proposed calendar for 2004. Committee promotes YTO for Spring JO's, March 11-14 and Clearwater for Spring Senior Champs March 18-21. For Long Course the committee promotes Gator Swim Club for JO's July 15-18. There are several bids for other meets to be voted on later.

Steve announced a sub-committee of all technical planning representatives, headed by

Jeff Poppell to look at combining Junior Olympics and Senior Champs for 2005 along with time standards and report back at March Meeting with a proposed format. Technical Planning Committee recommends bids for 2005 be submitted by March to help with planning calendar earlier. They further recommend the annual meeting to be moved to October 2&3, a current conflict with Winter Haven. "B" Championships are planned for December 4 & 5, Dunedin is the location for the West, and a vote must be taken prior to announcing the East Location. Technical Planning further recommends FL Swimming purchase high speed internet service for the webmaster.

OLD BUSINESS:

2003 Zone Report Nancy Hennessy's report is in the book.

2004 Nominating Committee Report in the Book.

NEW BUSINESS:

2004 Open Water Nationals Mac Kennedy announced Swim Florida to host 5, 10 & 25K Events in June 2004. More info forthcoming on website regarding events and "Dash for Cash". Jim Kelly announced Swim Florida had been honored with National Open Water Award for USA Swimming.

2004 Camps Program A discussion followed on conducting "Spirit Camps". Fred Lewis said he didn't feel like it is needed – why pull swimmers out of training? Who will pay the fees? Scott Kimmelman stated Indian River would do camps without charging fees. Rick Benner stated swimmers making Nationals would be required to attend a camp and further stated it would be a good stepping stone experience to prepare to advance. A motion was made and seconded for May 7-9 to be a camp weekend, motion passed.

Awarding of 2004 Championship Meets

Summer Senior Championships – bids from Clearwater (CAT), Indian River Community College (RATS) & Team Orlando (YTO). Each team allowed time to speak in their behalf. Mike Yearwood (CAT) announced that the city has taken over and has made a commitment to support. Shaun Zitani (RATS) mentioned they have a good facility, good location, restaurants close-by and parking is never a problem. Chuck Burgess (YTO) mentioned recent improvements made to the facility including new lane lines. The YMCA Aquatic Center is in a great location, with nearby hotels and restaurants, proven success. Vote was taken and Indian River Community College (RATS) were awarded the Summer 2004 Senior Champs to be held July 29 through August 1, 2004.

Summer Junior Olympics (Long Course) – Gator Swim Club is awarded this meet to be held July 15-18, 2004 at the O'Connell Center in Gainesville.

Spring Senior Championship – was awarded to Clearwater Aquatic Club to be held March 18-21, 2004 at the Long Center in Clearwater.

“B” Championship East - Trinity Prep Aquatics, Daytona Beach Swimming and Team Orlando each promoted their facilities and surroundings, after a ballot vote The “B” Championship East was awarded to Daytona Beach Swimming to be held December 4-5 at Daytona Beach Community College (indoor pool). Dunedin will host the West on December 5.

OTHER Jim proposed a Speedo Sponsorship after passing out handout of proposed agreement. Scott Kimmelman voiced concerns that some teams couldn't host meets, those that are Nike Teams. Scott volunteered to check with Nike on their interest in sponsorship. Rick Benner mentioned we should check with legal since our LSC is an arm of USA Swimming. Steve Alzheimer suggested we try to get more bang for the buck. After further discussion, the subject was tabled for the next meeting.

A motion was made to adjourn, was seconded and the motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at **7:07pm**.

Respectfully submitted,

Gay Wright, Secretary