



**FLORIDA SWIMMING
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
University of Florida, Gainesville
July 16, 2005**

MINUTES

Chairman Bill Vargo called the meeting to order at 3:45 PM following a technical planning meeting. Those in attendance were as follows: Bill Vargo, Helen Kelly, Gay Wright, Chuck Burgess, Stuart Michelson, Steve Lochte, Mac Kennedy, Sherwood Watts, Helen Ryan, Fred Lewis, Jack Goltz, Bob Griffiths, Scott Kimmelman, Cashel Mack, Mike Yearwood, Peter Banks, Graig Fischer, Don Henshaw, Gregg Troy, Apryle Nickson, Scott Caron, Jon Sakovich, Julie Carusone, Brittany Boldizsar, and Gina Mayer. Also in attendance was Dan Jimar on vacation and visiting.

The motion was made & seconded to approve the minutes of the May 14th meeting, motion carried.

REPORT OF OFFICERS:

General Chairman: Bill Vargo - Announced that Ocala is to get a new pool in 2007.

Admin. Vice Chairman: Chuck Burgess - No Report.

Senior Vice Chairman: Mac Kennedy – Mac proposed to increase the USA Swimming Senior and Junior National coach and athlete participation reimbursement to \$850.00 and Juniors to \$650.

Age Group Vice-Chair: Sherwood Watts – Recap on JO's, stating that it needs to be smaller with shorter sessions. Bill instructed coaches to email Sherwood after the meet with suggestions for improvement while the info is fresh on their minds and not to wait. Sherwood informed the board that the zone team would be staying in dorms, helping cut costs, Uniforms are ready to be ordered immediately following the J.O. meet. Dates of Zone Meet still a concern.

Treasurer: Stuart Michelson: Passed out year to date financial report stating we are on budget. It was moved, seconded and passed to accept the budget report as presented.

OTHER REPORTS:

Executive Director: Helen Kelly – No Report

Officials: Jack Goltz – No Report

Registration: Helen Kelly – Reported current numbers,

ATHLETE MEMBERS	2005	9384	2004	8862
NON-ATHLETE		703		685
CHARTERED CLUBS		101		101

Safety: Tish Kimball – Not present, no report.

Adapted Swimming: Apryle Nickson - Announced she is resigning. Informing board that adaptive swimmer numbers are low, she continues to talk with coaches and keep them informed.

Technical Planning: Steve Lochte – reported on the TP meeting held prior to board meeting. Meets to be added to 2006 schedule are July 14-15 Sarasota, Brandon Blue Waves age group and Srs. on May 12-14, and Daytona to add June 9-11 and a September meet the 2nd weekend, to be

finalized with Helen.

Coaches: Scott Caron – No Report.

Athletes: Brittany Boldizar and Gina Mayer- Reported they have posted a new athlete newsletter containing info on IMX Challenge and other info, getting good feedback.

OLD BUSINESS:

The FS Championship host clubs were decided by accepting the recommendation from the Technical Planning Committee Meeting, no paper vote was taken.

3/9-12/2006	SZSS	YTO
3/16-19/2006	FS SC JO's	YTO
3/23-26/2006	FS SC SR's	CAT
7/20-23/2006	FS LC JO's	GSC
7/27-30/2006	FS LC SR's	RATS

The Summer Championship reimbursement was discussed, Fred moved we go with Mac's proposal of athlete and coach reimbursement for participating in USA Swimming Senior Nationals \$850 and USA Swimming Junior Nationals \$650, Stuart seconded. Peter asked what if they go to both? Helen said they currently get two, one Spring and one Summer, coaches receive for only one. She added that the club of the coach usually picks up the other for the coach. Motion passed by a verbal vote.

The approval of the Championship Meet Entry Position Criteria followed. Bill reminded everyone that the meet information will come out of the Florida Swimming Office. Helen stated the financial reimbursement would be based on what a team would normally pay. Fred Lewis seconded and motion passed.

Bill mentioned FS Flow Chart, asked if there were any questions and stated there will be more info coming at HOD Meeting.

NEW BUSINESS:

The Nominating Committee for 2005-2006 is Jim Kelly, Steve Lochte, Fred Lewis, Mike Yearwood and Scott Caron.

Don Henshaw, GCST, pleaded his case for not paying a fine for going over the 4 hour limit asked for an appeal, but this failed. Sherwood again asked why not change the 4 hour rule? Helen reminded the board this is not a FS rule but a USA SWIMMING rule. One suggestion, when in trouble with meet size and time line consider pulling the home team to accommodate others

The 2005 USAS Convention is September 13-18; Bill announced the following list must let him know by July 24th if they plan to go. Needing to arrive on Tuesday the 13th are: General Chairman, Vice Chairman, Age Group Chairman, Senior Chairman, Coaches Representative, Senior Athlete Rep, Junior Athlete Rep and Ex. Officio Athlete Representative. He also announced if others were interested in going to let him know after the meeting. We will discuss the need to allow members of "functioning" committees to attend in the future.

Bill mentioned to board meeting dates for the next two years have been tentatively set.

OTHER

Apryle Nickson announced that she had been informed that the University of Central Florida is building a new 50 meter pool and should be ready for their swim program in 2007.

Next Board of Directors Meeting will be October 8th in Orlando at the Radisson Hotel.
Meeting was adjourned at 4:20pm followed by an Executive Committee Session.

Respectfully submitted

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Gay Wright, Secretary