**Border Swimming LSC – Minutes of Meeting of June 20, 2018**

Meeting was called to order at 7:04 p.m.

Present were John Bernhard, Thomas Cieslik, Adrian Slater, Cindy Crane, Jan Hirshi, Michele Key, Manny Gardea, Ruben Pallares, Todd Roberts, Monica Benjamin, Pete Dunavant, Jim Vanatta, Bob Sellers, Hadley Huchton-Bernhard, Jim Holcomb. There was no representative of JCAT or BLAST present.

Jim Holcomb stated that per USA Swimming, as of 5/15/18, each coach of each Border LSC swim team must certify that each swimmer can do a front dive and either backstroke or backstroke ledge start, that the swimmer is “proficient in racing starts both forward and backward.” This USA Swimming form must be in each swimmer’s folder.

Jim Holcomb announced the Mighty 2500 LSC development workshop is November 2-3, 2018 in Colorado Springs. 2 coach representatives can go. The deadline to register is September 1.

Our LSC Governance Workshop given by USA Swimming will be Sept 7-8, 2018 at the Westside Natatorium.

USA Swimming convention is September in Jacksonville, FL.

Discussion was had about the recent DSSC swim meet. Suggestion was made to place a person at the pool end to call in order of finish on the radio to the AO, because the cameras are not always working. Pool managers have access to the computers if log-in is needed during the meet and there is no City staff at the pool. Jim Holcomb asked for numbers from BAT, SWAT, RAST, DSSC and EPAP to give to City Council to show that the pool rental fees must be dropped from $1500 per day, or no team will be able to rent the pools for meets. If Border is forced to use the City’s equipment, then do we need our own equipment? Do we need a small locker to keep the equipment near the Westside Natatorium? Jim has had discussion with Wright Stanton about Border LSC paying for a PA system as it is a safety issue. Todd Roberts stated his bid is $25,000 for that system.

Hadley Bernhard reported the Border board meeting minutes from 2018 to date are all on the website. She will send the Athlete Representative proposal from April to all the Board; suggestions to Jim Holcomb are due in 10 days.

Cindy Crane gave the financial report.

Pete Dunavant reported he has issued 10 meet sanctions in 2018.

John Bernhard reported that stroke officials walked the pool, and there were turn officials at the ends. Jim Holcomb and John repeatedly observed a swim official and stated she was making correct calls. John will set up a training session for new officials.

Michele Key gave the SafeSport presentation.

Tom Cieslik offered to give training to AOs (and laptop and console operators) each month.

Coach Manny Gardea reported four male coaches applied to coach at the Zones meet in Midland from July 31 to August 4. He is seeking at least one more female coach.

Ignacio Hernandez addressed the Board, asking for a letter of support for his son, Andres. Andres will be the only swimmer from Texas who will attend the World Championships in Canada for swimmers with Downs Syndrome. Motion was made (with unanimous vote) to send such a letter and provide a $500 stipend to Andres to swim in that meet. We will announce his fundraiser on the Border website: it is a bowl-a-thon on July 8 at Oasis.

Action items for follow up are: (1) sending a list to Tony Palomino about equipment that needs work, (2) implementing the Athlete Representative policy, (3) make a list of items needed for swim meets at the Westside Natatorium, (4) getting awards blocks.

Suggestion was made to place a swim records board at the Westside Natatorium. We need to discuss which Border records to put on it.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.