**Border Swimming LSC – Minutes of Meeting of September 11, 2019**

Meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m. by John Bernhard, per direction of Jim Holcomb (who is out of town at Southern Zone Convention).

Present were Hadley Huchton-Bernhard, John Bernhard, Gus Viveros, COlson (athlete rep), Bob Sellers, Alfonso Del Hoya, Todd Roberts, Ruben Pallares, Adrian Slater, Rene Hernandez, Pete Dunavant, Michele Key, Monica Benjamin, Manny Gardea, Monica Vargas, Craig Wallen, Joe Olson, Eddie Saint Lo, and Jesus Avila of El Paso Parks and Recreation.

The Minutes of the July and August meetings were unanimously approved.

Michele Key gave the SafeSport presentation. All swim teams need to sign off of the MAAPP policy. It is best to place that in each team’s registration material. EPAP and WeTT qualified for SafeSport recognition. Congratulations!

Adrian Slater looked at the information provided by Treasurer Cindy Crane. He will address his questions to her. Each team will check what they spent on hospitality for Border Champs, as the meet ran long from breakfast to lunch. Motion carried to reimburse teams for the meals provided at the Border Champs LC meet.

Mr. Hernandez addressed the group about Andres’ accomplishments. Motion unanimously carried to provide a stipend of $500 toward Andres’ attendance at the international swim meet at the INAS Global Games in Brisbane, Australia on October 11, 2019, where 1000 athletes from 80 countries in 10 sports will compete. Discussion was had about selling t-shirts for future funding for Andres. Michele Key commented that Border should adopt a policy for stipends for disabled and non-disabled athletes. We will have Andres hold the U.S. flag at the upcoming RAST meet.

The Athlete Representative gave their Minutes of their 8th meeting. (Attached.) They think the relays made the Border Champs meet too long.

Todd Roberts suggested that Border start a yearly calendar for planning. For example, that by “X” date on the calendar, BC, Texas Select, and Zones will be planned. Suggested calendar deadlines can be sent to Secretary Hadley Bernhard, who will start a calendar of events.

Manny Gardea said that Texas Select Camp for 11-14-year old’s will be in Midland, TX from Nov 1-3, 2019. Cost will be $125 per athlete, plus transportation. Total estimated costs is $6000 (bus rental, etc.) for maximum of 32 athletes. Criteria will be a single A time in age group, with IMX to help determine selection. (Manny sent an email on 9/14/19 about this. The application deadline is October 6, 2019 at 11:59 p.m.)

Pete Dunavant said he can get an event sanctioned quickly if it is correctly done. He would like to have requests for meet sanctions to him 45 days before the meet. He then has 15 days to make corrections before fines are made in the 30-day timeframe.

John Bernhard is holding an officials training seminar on Sept 18 at 7 pm at the Westside Nat.

Ruben Pallares of the Technical Committee gave the Short Course Approved Schedule of meets. JCAT determined to not hold a meet on October 12-13, 2019.

The swim meet dates are:

RAST Knights Swimming Challenge – 9/20-22/19

LCAT Pecan Classic – 9/27-29/19

WeTT Del Norte No. 1 – 10/5/19

EPAP IMX meet – 10/12-13/19

SWAT SwatOberfest – 10/25-27/19

WeTT Del Norte No. 2 – 11/3/19

DSSC Turkey Splash meet – 11/15-16/19

BLAST Swim meet – 12/7/19

WeTT Del Norte No. 3 – 12/8/19

EPAP Leo Cancellare meet – 12/13-15/19

WeTT Del Norte No. 4 meet – 1/4/20

BAT Winter Challenge – 1/24-26/20

Border Champs A meet – 2/21-23/20

Border Champs B/C meet – 3/7-8/20

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m. The next meeting is October 9, 2019.