

Kentucky Swimming, LLC
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
April 17, 2009
Louisville, Kentucky

Attending: Bucky Stoess, George Hubbard, Dave Doolin, Fabian Lipp, Ben Davis, Susie Tonini, David Mercke, Mike Essig, Mike DeBoor, Eddy Lyvers

Not Attending: Kent Pleasants, Darrell Genett, Sarah Holman, Lizzy Devries, Rick Baumgartner

The meeting called to order 6:52 pm.

1. **Motion/passed** to approve minutes from February 16 meeting.
2. Finance Vice-Chair: no report
3. Age Group Chair: no report
4. Administrative Vice-Chair: no report
5. Senior Vice-Chair: no report
6. Program Development and Operations Vice-Chair:
 - a. Review of State Championship Meet
 - On Friday of finals, the awards were presented at the end of each event. It was changed on Saturday and Sunday, and awards were presented after each age group. Dave Doolin seemed to think it went smoother after the change. He would like to get the athletes' input at the HOD meeting.
 - Eliminating a "B" meet altogether was discussed.
 - George Hubbard suggested doing away with team high point awards.
 - Scoring 8 & under events was discussed. Ben Davis pointed out that USA Swimming guidelines recognizes the 8 & under age group as developmental only.
 - George suggested awarding for place but not scoring, and Bucky would like to see results from the survey before a decision is made.
 - David Mercke asked why the LSC was not absorbing some of the costs of the awards since the KYLSC Board of Directors was the governing body for the state championship meets and it was their decision to improve the quality of the awards.
 - George Hubbard would like the championship meet survey distributed at the HOD meeting and posted on the KYLSC website.
 - b. Format of Future Championship Meets
 - Bucky Stoess wants the format for long course championship meets to match that of the short course championship meets.
 - Splitting 12 & under and 13& over for the long course meet was discussed.
 - Mike DeBoor suggested that for 2010 short course championship meet the board of directors accepts requests to host the meets, and the board of directors makes decision.

- George Hubbard stated that the selection criteria for the championship meet host teams need to be outlined.
- c. 2009 Altitude Camp: To determine what to request, Dave Doolin will discuss possible dates with coaches at HOD.
7. Technical Planning: Fabian Lipp looked at last year's long course meet to determine if revisions were needed for the 2009 long course state championship meets and concluded that no changes to the times standards were needed. The online meet entry system had some problems. Fabian will discuss with coaches at HOD. Due to the new form given to the high school coaches, the high school region and state meet times were better this year. David Mercke noted that swim times for the high school meets were recorded as unattached instead of attaching the swimmers to their USS clubs.
8. Coaches Representative: Ben Davis thanked Fabian for his work handling the entries for the championship meet. At the HOD coaches meeting Ben will remind everyone to complete a new background screening.
9. Athletes Representative: Mike Essig spoke on behalf of Lizzy Devries. Hasty Awards has developed a logo for the KYLSC.
10. Safety Chair: Darrell Genett submitted an accident report – see attached.
11. Officials Chair:
- Susie Tonini reported that championship meet went smoothly from an officials stand point. The online signups went well. There were over 50 officials at each meet which was more than enough. There were national certifications going on at the championship meet as well.
 - There are 15 teams not in compliance with the 10% Rule.
 - The KYLSC has 275 certified officials, 62 apprentice and 18 nationally certified officials.
 - Jan Goff will not renew her seat as an officials co-chair. Julie Floyd has expressed an interest in the officials chair position and is training with Susie.
12. Records Coordinator: David Mercke reported that records are up-to-date. David is still receiving emails/phone calls from parents wanting to know why their son/daughter's record has not been posted. Mercke again stressed the importance of the form that needs to be completed by the record breaker's coach; this is the only way a record will be recorded.
13. Rules Chair: Mike Essig will have the KYLSC handbook with new championship rules updated and posted by the beginning of long course.
- Dave Doolin requested that the championship rules specify a warm-up procedure for championship finals.
 - Mike would like to add an outlined selection process for the Zones team to the handbook.
14. Adapted Swimming: Special Olympics was held in Louisville on April 11th, and a large number of USS/KY swimmers volunteered and did a great job. There will be another Special Olympics held in Lexington on April 19th.

15. Membership/Registration: 2,480 year-round athletes, an increase of 55 swimmers, are registered with USA Swimming. USS headquarters approved requests from the Telford YMCA Piranhas to join the KYLSC. Rick Babuka is the head coach.

16. Old Business: Due to some internal changes, Swimville USA will submit a new proposal for sponsorship.

17. New Business: The nominating committee submitted the following-

- General Chair: Bucky Stoess
- Officials Chair: Susie Tonini
- Adapted Swimming: Mike DeBoor
- Safety Chair: Darrell Genett
- Records Chair: David Mercke
- Age-Group Vice-Chair: Dave Doolin & Rick Baumgartner

Conoco Phillips Outstanding Service Award: Ben Davis suggested Fabian Lipp.
Motion/approved for the board of directors to suggest Fabian at the HOD meeting.

Meeting adjourned 8:45 pm.

Next meeting will be June 1st at 6:30 pm – meeting location TBA.

Maureen Cordell
Executive Secretary