Mississippi Swimming, Inc.

House of Delegates Meeting

August 15, 2015

In attendance: (roll call by sign in)

Committee/Chair Vote:

Wade Heggie (General Chair), Mathew Mixon (Administrative Chair), Eddie Ware (Sr. Vice Chair), David Orr (Age Group Chair), Todd Patterson (Treasurer), Jamie Lee (Coaches’ Rep), Alan Branson (Finance Chair), Wade Kojima (Officials’ Chair), Candace Loper (Registration Chair), Nancy Leigh McDade (Awards), Jocelyn Carter (Diversity and Inclusion), Erica Heggie (Records and Times), Sherra Shearer (Safe Sport), Alissa Kojima (Sanctions), Kevin Cox (At Large)

Team Vote:

Chet Oguz (DAC), Jennifer Heggie (MSA), Brian Ware (MMST), Shawn Oliphant (SUNS), Chris Chain (SCSO), Joanna Manning (TTW), Corey Coon Cassily (YHF)

Athlete Vote:

Marlan McElroy (SUNS), Aniston McClellan (TTW)

Meeting called to order by General Chair, Wade Heggie

Motion to accept April 11, 2015 meeting minutes M/S/P Cox/Lee

Old Business:

Meet Announcements - per USA Swimming, teams can invite teams they want. If a team is not invited, they may not attend. Only LSC hosted meets are open to all Mississippi Clubs.

New Business:

8 and Under Developmental Meet Bid: Date: Saturday, July 9, 2016

Vicksburg Swim Association is awarded bid to host meet.

Officer and Committee Reports:

Administrative Chair: (Mixon) No Report

Senior Vice Chair: (E. Ware) Jack Smithson was voted in at the LC State Meet as the new Jr. Athlete Rep.

Age Group Chair: (Orr) Looking at October 3, 2015 as date for Top 5 banquet.

Secretary: N/A

Treasurer: (Patterson) per attached report

Coaches’ Rep: (Lee) No Report

Sr. Athlete Rep: N/A

Jr. Athlete Rep: N/A

Safety Chair: (given by W. Heggie) report as distributed. Wade reviewed safety reminders for coaches for their teams.

Technical Planning: N/A

Finance Chair: (Branson) working with accounting firm for Leap 2 certification requirements

Officials’ Chair: (W. Kojima) attended officials’ chair convention in May. Wade will be distributing flash drives to referees with the videos on them for training use. Reminded coaches that deck changing is not allowed and coaches need to emphasize that to their swimmers. There is no stated consequence from USA Swimming for on-deck changing. Request to set up a committee to make MS policy. M/S/P Branson/Orr. Sherra Shearer (Safe Sport Chair) to send email to get committee members. Had several MS officials work at Zone Meet in Tupelo. Currently have 89 officials (11 in training). 17 Referees (10 of which have no children currently swimming). National certifications as follows: 8 N2 Stroke and Turn, 4 N3 Stroke and Turn, 5 N2 Chief Judges, 1 N2 Started, 4 N2 Referees, 1 N2 Admin.

Registration Chair: (Loper) 1557 athletes currently registered. Please send in Registration Chair name for your club.

Awards: (N. McDade) No Report

Board of Review: N/A

Club Development: (Coon-Cassily) No Report

Disability: N/A

Inclusion and Diversity: (Carter) Jocelyn Carter, Chandler Carter and Khameron Glass attended clinic. Spoke about Water Safety Programs for under priviledged youth, inviting minority community to meets, hosting diversity meets. Requested line item in budget for Water Safety/Make a Splash.

Marketing: (Chain) Team Photos to David to post on the MS Swimming website. Looking for LSC sponsors.

Open Water: Gator Bait Open Water Swim August 22, 2015

Records/Times (E. Heggie) Committee met and recommends the following: M/S/P Branson/Carter

* Collegiate times will count if it is attained in Championship Meet (or above)
* Foreign swimmer's times will count if selected to represent USA in an international competition or representing a MS club in an international competition
* ‘6 and Under’ and ‘8 and Under’ times will be expanded to include all events not just 25 yard events.
* The USA Swimming Rule book will be used as the guideline of appropriate events by age.

Safe Sport: (Shearer) Will be forming committee for Safe Sport. Will be sending out link on information about bullying.

Sanctions: (A. Kojima) No Report

Website: (Orr) Send in team picture for website

Technical Planning: Effective for 2016 SC State Meet M/S/P Mixon/Lee

* 400 Free/400 IM - Top 8 swim once in finals in event order, remainder swim in AM as timed final.
* 17/19 changed to 17 and Over

Zone Report: (Chain) $29.0 income; expenses to date ~$24.0. Next year in Cary, NC. Would like to use the surplus from this year (~$5.0) to use for bus for next year. Would recommend keeping AA format. Chaperones need to be “trained” on responsibilities. Chris will begin looking into hotels and cost for bus. Chet Oguz interested in coaching zone team next year.

Postal Meet: proceeds go for Pediatric Cancer Research. Event is open all of September 2015. $30 cost to swim all events. Additional information posted on MS Swimming website.

Convention: must let Candace know asap if you will be attending.

Motion to Adjourn: M/S/P Mixon/E.Ware

Respectfully Submitted by Alissa Kojima