

MINUTES
HOUSE OF DELEGATES
SOUTHEASTERN SWIMMING, INC.

A regular meeting of the House of Delegates of Southeastern Swimming, Inc. was called to order at 9:00 am. on April 18, 2010. John Wood was in the chair and the secretary was present. The secretary called the roll. The following clubs were present: ACAC, AUB, BAY, BSC, BSL, BWB, BASA, CMSA, CTA, DDST, DOVA, ECS, XCEL, GST, GPAC, HBT, HSA, MCAL, MTS, MYB, NAC, PCST, PNY, PACK, SSA, SAST, SWAT and VOLS

The minutes of the last meeting of the HOD were approved as written.

Report of Officers:

General Chair: John Wood. The chair expressed his appreciation and thanks to everyone on the board and those who worked on a committee or task force. He also mentioned the recent news regarding the issues of abuse of swimmers as reported by 20/20 and ESPN's Outside the Lines. He stated that vigilance is critical to making sure our swimmers are safe.

Administrative Vice-Chair: John Morse - No report.

Registration/Membership: Tom Healey. Tom Healey report is on file with these minutes. He reminded everyone that a swimmer is not officially registered until the fees are paid. He also mentioned that the US Aquatics Convention will be in Dallas, Texas, September 14-19, 2010.

Treasurers Report: Jackie Bussard-Bertucci. The report is on file with these minutes. There is \$6,000 in bad debt due primarily due to one team. There are still some outstanding reimbursements and surcharges. Jackie advised of her plan to hire an accountant, payroll service and to purchase a check scanner. Jackie presented the proposed 2010 budget. A Motion made and seconded to approve the budget was adopted.

Age Group Vice Chair: Matt Weber. The report is on file with the minutes. Matt gave a summary report on the zone meet. He also mentioned IMX dates of October 30-31, 2010.

Senior Vice Chair: John Boxmeyer: The report is on file with these minutes. John mentioned that Short Course Nationals was not well attended by SES teams due to distance, but that Short Course Juniors did have better participation since it was held in Ohio.

Technical Chair: Mark Walker. Mark mentioned a problem with parents at the East District meet. He also mentioned that the air-quality problems that occurred at SES Championships. John Morse indicated that the issues are being investigated and addressed by the Aquatic staff in Nashville and that the facility had been over-taxed by four major meets back to back. A report was given on the decisions made during the Technical Committee. SES Champs – 2/24/11 to 2/27/11; Districts 2/19/11 to 2/20/11; SES Champs – 1,000 swimmers – too many. Technically created a District Realignment committee to investigate realignment of the districts to ensure the sizes are comparable. The coaches encouraged that the administrative

referee during championship meets seek to contact coaches when a swimmer is scratched into finals.

The Technical Committee also made the following recommendations or action on the pending legislation:

R-8 - Recommend Adopt

R-9 – Recommend Defeat

R-10 - Recommend Adopt

R-11 - Recommend Defeat

R-12 – Recommend Adopt with amended wording to be presented to HOD

Amy Caulkins selected as the Cory Horton Age Group Coach of the Year.

President: Chris Coraggio - No report.

Committee Reports:

Athletes: Aimee Middleton – No report.

Officials: Stephanie Nadeau - The report is on file with these minutes. John Wood expressed his appreciation for the hard work and active involvement of the members of the committee.

Laws and Regulations: Brian Wrighton – Report under new business.

Safety: Dave Smith - The report is on file with these minutes. Dave reported there were 19 incidents and most occurred during practice and meets. He encouraged everyone to be proactive when it comes to safety.

Adaptive Swimming: Walter Smalley – The report is on file with these minutes. New information form is on website.

NTV/Top 16: Trish Mitchell. The report is on file with these minutes.

TOP 5/Records: Tom Healey - The report is on file with these minutes. Tom reminded everyone to let him know if the information in the swims database is not correct.

Open Water: Kate Chronic – LSC open water meets. PNY – 1 K pool event. PNY/Bluewater – Navy base 1 or 5 K event – June 4 or 5. Scenic City 1.2 mile downstream swim. There will be open water events at National Champs, Pan Pacs and Jr. Pan Pacs.

Finance: Robbie Dellinger - No report.

Swim-A-Thon. Scott Robinson – No report

Outreach: Vicki Balog. Vicki reported on substance of November meeting. Goal is to have LSC and clubs to embrace outreach and the LSCs have a budgetary item to fund this work.

Camps: Jeff Dellinger. No report.

Club Development: John Morse. No report.

Old Business:

Website Changes: Tyler Kerns and Tom Healey are working on transition of website to Team Unify.

New Business:

The Chair announced as new business certain proposed legislation.

A motion was made by Walter Smalley and seconded by Chris Coraggio to postpone consideration of Blocks B, C, D & G of the legislation until the Fall meeting. Significant debate occurred concerning the motion. A motion was made and seconded to amend the main motion to include postponement of Section A as well related to the By-laws. The motion to amend was approved. The main motion, as amended, to postpone consideration of Blocks A, B, C, D & G was submitted to the house for vote. The vote was 20 ayes and 10 nays. The motion passed.

The Board considered the following remaining legislative items from Blocks E and F:

R-8 – A motion made and seconded to approve the proposal was passed.

R-9 – Defeated for lack of a motion.

R-10 - A motion made and seconded to approve the proposal was passed.

R-11 – Defeated for lack of a motion.

R-12 - A motion was made and seconded to approve the proposal. A motion was made and seconded to amend the language of the section by adding “male and female” between “achieved by a” and “swimmer” on line 253 and to delete after the word “swimmer” on line 253 the remainder of the sentence, to wit: “in their respective age group”. The motion, as amended, passed.

R-13 – Pulled

R-14 - Defeated for lacks of a motion.

R-15 - Defeated for lacks of a motion.

R-16 - A motion was made and seconded to approve the proposal. A motion was made and seconded to amend the language of the proposal on line 323 so that it reads in its entirety as follows: "top eight swimmers who do not state or indicate a preference to swim at preliminaries shall be seeded and swim in the". The motion, as amended, passed.

R-17 - A motion made and seconded to approve the proposal was passed.

R-18 – A motion made and seconded to postpone the proposal was passed. Technical planning formed a committee comprised of Cal Elder Phil Kraus, Laura Pittman, John Boxmeyer and Marcy Dolan to investigate the issue.

R-19 - A motion was made and seconded to approve the proposal. A motion was made and seconded to amend the language of the proposal on line 379 to delete the word "same" and add between the words "the" and "amount" the phrase "up to the" and to add between the words "that" and "as", the phrase "is reimbursed". The motion, as amended, passed.

R-20 - A motion was made and seconded to approve the proposal. A debate occurred over the meaning of various words in the proposal. It was recommended that the wording of the proposal be changed to substitute the word "outreach" for the word "diversity" on line 396. The proposal with the changed language was presented to the House for approval. The proposal as amended passed.

The chair announced as new business the need to form a nominating committee. A motion made and seconded to elect Greg Davis, Jackie Bussard, Walter Smalley, Phil Kraus, John Molchan and Aimee Middleton was passed.

The House took a short break.

The House next addressed the meet bids. There was only one conflict for which a vote was required. Both CTA and HSA sought the right to conduct the Central District championship meet. After a vote, CTA was selected as the site for the District meet. A motion made and seconded to destroy the ballots was passed.

After reviewing the Short Course schedule and confirming the various meets proposed, added and deleted, a motion made and seconded to approve the schedule was passed. The approved schedule will be posted on the SES website.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:45 AM.

Dated: 4/25/10

/S/ Clark R. Hammond
Clark R. Hammond, Secretary