

Southeastern Swimming House of Delegates

April 25, 2004

Members Present:

ACAC, AU, AUB, BSC, BSL, BXST, CLUB, CMSA, CTA, DAC, DDST, GCAC, GPAC, GST, HBT, HSA, MTAC, MTS, NAC, PACK, PLAY, PNY, RCA, SCAC, SOS, THS, TSC, XCEL

Minutes taken by Betsy Jones. Meeting called to order at 8:00.

Introductions

Minutes approved.

Old Business

Martha Woodworth Honor was already passed. See last times minutes.

Report of Officers:

Administrative Vice Chair (Brian Wrighton)– No Report

Registration/Membership (Tom Healy) – Gave report of numbers. See packet. We are a little smaller than last year. SES has 70 clubs registered.

Please make sure athletes are registered before they enter the meet. Fines for unregistered athletes currently apply.

Please fix “UN-Club name” in meet Manager. This label is not being accepted in the swim database. Swimmers will only be recognized as unattached (UN). No club name can be attached.

Treasurer (Clark Hammond) – See official treasurers report for financial statements.

Travel reimbursement was amended by the Executive Board to change the reimbursement for swimmers to the following:

\$750 for US Nationals, US Spring Championships, USA Disability Championships and Junior Nationals.

\$600 for US Open and Grand Prix meets.

\$500 for American Short Course and NCSA

There will be a limit of \$1500 per athlete/per year and does include the Disability Championships. This will be retroactive as of January 1. Athlete must have a National Cut prior to the meet to be eligible for reimbursement.

Age Group Chair (Jackie Bertucci) – Zones in Ft. Lauderdale again this year

Senior Vice-Chair (James Barber) – Nationals report given. See official report for dates.

Technical Chair (Rick Bishop)– Added 4th district. Discussion about a fourth district and financial implications. Motion made to approve. Approved by board.

Added a 15-16 age group for Southeasterns this summer. It would take consols away from 13-14 and seniors. The swimmers will swim together in prelims, but separate in finals.

Motion made to finance extra awards. Passed.

**Aquatic guide changes. See handout
Age Group Coach of the Year – Allison Bebe, CMSA**

Meet Dates:

March 10-13, 2005 Sectionals

March 12-13, 2005 Districts

March 17-20, 2005 Southeasterns

President (Ben Davis) – No report

Committee Reports:

Athletes (Toni Kroll, Mitchell Johnson) – Web page for athletes under consideration. Athletes will have control over what is on the page.

Officials (Stephanie Nadeau)- Officials database online is being established. See official report.

Laws & Legislation (Mark Walker) – No report

Safety (Cindy Smith) – 799 accidents reported nationally. Up slightly from last year. See written report.

Adapted Swimming (Rayleen Soderstrom) - Absent, but sent written report. Zone meet will be added next year for disabled swimmers. Our LSC has the largest number of record holders for disabled swimming.

NTV/Top 16 (Trish Mitchell) – Absent. Went over use of swims database. Trish needs a CL2 file immediately following the meet.. Also submitted written report.

Top 5/Records (Lisa Napier) –

Proposals:

1. Leadoff relay splits should be eligible for SES Top 5/10.
2. SES Top 5/10 will follow the same calendar year (9/1-831) as US Swimming.

Open Water (Brooke Pate) – Gave dates for upcoming open water swims.

Finance (Terri Rice) – Showed survey of LSC's. We are 9th largest LSC. Within those, we charge the least in LSC fees.

Dues discussion from Executive Board.

Swim-a-thon (Ronnelle Jones) - No report

Outreach (Vicki Balog) – Outreach grants available. Outreach Manual is available.

Camps (Jeff Dellinger) - No report

Club Development (John Morse) – Club Recognition program helps move clubs towards Club Excellence program. See handout.

New Business

Proposals:

District Realignment – Need for 4th District in Central Alabama would possibly increase participation in the district meets in the central area. Discussion held. Motion made to accept 4th district. Approved.

Anti-recruiting Policy – Need to develop a policy that deals with recruiting. Need to review the policies of US Swimming with the delegates. US Swimming will address the advertising issue in their Board of Directors meeting. Board recommends to not support this recommendation. Motion **FAILED** unanimously in House of Delegates.

Disabled Swimmers – Nationwide zone meets for disabled swimmers will start in the next year. Have withdrawn proposal and tabled to next year.

Team Warm-up Procedures – Original version failed at technical planning. Executive Board supports amended version. Revised and amended to read as follows:

- F. Warm-up Procedures When Teams are Assigned to Specific Lanes
- a. Participating teams shall be assigned to specific lanes for the warm-up period based on number of participants.
 - b. The coaches of the teams assigned to each lane shall determine the warm-up procedure for that lane.
 - c. Except during supervised racing starts, swimmers must enter the pool feet first in a cautious manner.
 - d. The timing of warm-ups may be gender, by age group, or any mixture in order to keep the number of swimmers warming up as equal as possible.
 - e. The host may choose to divide the team and have an entire team's athletes warm up together. In this case, teams should be assigned "early" and "late" warm-up sessions on different days so that no team is advantaged over another.

Motion to approve amended version. **APPROVED.**

Fee Changes – Bump LSC total fee charged to 50.00 with US Swimming raising theirs by \$1 each of the next four years. Next year the increase will be \$4, reducing to \$1 in 2009. Total collected by LSC each year will be \$50.

APPROVED

Transfers from outside the LSC will be charged the full current LSC fee. Athletes transferring within the LSC will continue to pay a \$1.00 transfer fee. This is in effect for the 2005 season. **APPROVED.**

Aquatic Guide Changes –

Outreach athletes are \$5.00. Athletes must provide certification of enrollment in free or reduced lunch program.

Meet Open Water Membership – At the option of the LSC, membership may be offered for the specific date(s) if an Open water competition(s). The athlete must compete unattached. Single meet membership is not valid for competition at or above the Zone Championship meet. USA Swimming charge is \$10.00.

Individual seasonal membership – At the option of the LSC, membership may be offered for one or two periods of not more than 150 days per period within a registration year. SEASONAL MEMBERSHIP MAY ALSO BE OFFERED FOR AN UNSPECIFIED BUT CONTINUOUS PERIOD OF NOT MORE THAN 150 DAYS COMMENCING ON THE DATE OF REGISTRATION. Seasonal membership is not valid for competition at or above the Zone Championship level. Fee will be calculated by adding an LSC fee (\$5.00) to the current US Swimming fee (\$20.00). Next year (2005) it will be \$21.00 + \$5.00 = \$26.00

Meet Registration – Host team meet director will submit the Meet Manager SD3 file to the registration chairperson one week prior to the scheduled meet and will send an updated SD3 file upon completion of the meet to verify athletes current registration.

Proposals by Top 5/Records (Lisa Napier) –

Board recommends approving relay splits as qualification for top 10.

Board recommends to do top 10 on annual basis in conjunction with US Swimming
PASSED

Nominating Committee for 2005 Board

Toni Kroll, Joe Goeken, Joe Randall, Lisa Napier, Kristie Smalley

Southeasterns (March 17-20, 2005) - Nashville Aquatic Club

Districts (March 12-13, 2005):

East – Scenic City

Central – Crimson Tide Aquatics

West – Memphis Tiger Swimming

South – Greater Pensacola

Fall Meeting to be held in Germantown with Hall of Fame. October 2-3, 2004.

Spring Meeting in Pensacola on April 23-24, 2005.

Meet Bids after break.

Meeting adjourned at 10:20.