HOD Agenda May 1, 2022

Marriott Courtyard, Bridgeport, WV

The meeting called by Sarah Beckett, General Chair.

The following teams were present: Parkersburg, Storm, Rays, CM. A quorum was not present.

Reports of Officers:

* General Chair (Sarah Nisewarner)
  + Have checks from SC States been cashed?
  + Parkersburg needs to check with Robin.
* Senior Chair (Vic Riggs)
  + Couldn’t work out camp in April
  + SZ stuff up; working with USAS online entries
  + Fully slotted – ref; admin, director
  + Officials can get credit for national work
  + Make this an lsc champ meet for senior WV swimmers
  + Sponsors??? Vic getting rates
* Age Group Chair (Rick Johnson)
  + Southern Zones now at Tupelo, MS. Info needs to be sent out by coaches as many do not follow website. Cost per swimmer is $525.00. All age groups are full except 13-14 boys.
  + 1st payment due 6/1 – half total
  + By end of week will have hotels booked.
  + Need to line up bus. Arnold from Morgantown?
  + Chaperones have been selected: Dana Morr, Josh Watkins, Kate Paulsen, Crystal Bennington
  + Coaches: David Adams, Heather Priddy, Sonia McGrady (?)
  + Swimmer-based design for shirts
  + Team camp at Mylan June 11 (?)
* Finance Chair (Vacant)
  + No report
* Treasurer (Scott Wilson)
  + Handed out
  + Feels we should increase per-swimmer amount – 1997 cost equals $800+ today
  + Maybe not go that high but increase
* Secretary (Jodi Fisher)
  + Not present

Reports of Committees:

* Athlete Representative (Caroline Riggs/Daniel Priddy/Frank McCutchan)
  + Daniel Priddy present
  + No report
* Coach Representative (Ryan Zundell)
  + Not present
* Club Development (Tom Phillips)
  + Proposal given.
* Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (Vacant)
  + No report
* Disability (Heather Priddy)
  + No report
  + Nothing from USAS; who should be sending us stuff from Colorado Springs
* Marketing (Ryan Zundell)
  + Not present
  + Merchandise sales went well at SC meet
* Meet Sanctions (Eric Anger)
  + 10 meets sanctioned so far and does not include LC champs
  + New policies coming and will be added to template
* Officials (Rob Clevenger)
  + Not present
* Records (Sarah Nisewarner)
  + Trying to update
* Registration/Registrar (Lora Snodgrass)
  + Not Present
* Safe Sport (Eric Anger)
  + Five teams started; four teams wrapping it up
  + No replies from USAS!
  + New programs coming out; look at USAS Safe Sport website
* Safety (Vacant)
  + No report
* Southern Zones (Rick Johnson)
  + See above
* SWIMS (Melissa McGlothen)
  + Not present
* Operational Risk Committee Chair (Ryan Zundell)
  + Not present

Old Business:

* Long Course State Meet review and planning.
  + Allow 19-over to swim finals?
  + Add another heat? Combine with none LSC swimmers?
  + $5,700 + $175 supplies for SC champs.
  + Classrooms $500/day; $17,000 for 3 ½ day LC meet with diving well.
  + LSC needs to re-negotiate cost!
  + Allow outside LSC’s
* Bids for vendors
  + Forms for vendors needed
  + Swim&Tri and Shirt Tales give 10% back
  + Need contract if more than one vendor (probably need also for just one)
* Meet director needs to be at all sessions for both SC & LC champ meets

New Business:

* Policy Manual & By-Laws Review
  + Add financial language to policy manual on reporting of meet finances.
  + Add By-Law language on the election of the Finance Chair.
  + Review meet fee policy
    - Allow meet host to set entry fees up to $10
    - Keep facility fees same
    - CM won’t host meets if can’t charge more
    - Vic wants to lock Mylan in; says lsc has made ~$42,000 in last 2 meets
  + Review and set the LSC policy around Championship finals rules and penalties.
    - USAS rule book vs Policy Manual & Bylaws
* Elections (based on election years in by-laws/policies)
  + Coach Representative (elected 2-year term even years)
  + Athlete Representatives (elected a 2-year term in athlete meeting)
  + Governance Chair (vacant - elected annually by Governance Committee)
  + Finance Chair (vacant - elected in odd years)
  + Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Chair (vacant)
  + Administrative - Vice Chair (elected in even years)
  + Age-Group Chair (elected in even years)
  + Treasurer (elected in even years)
  + Safe Sport Chair (elected in even years)
  + Set dates for fall meets
    - Club Mountaineer: 9/24-25; 10/21-23; 12/8-11; 1/21-22
    - YMCA of Kanawha Valley: 10/15-16??
    - Mountain State Storm: 10/9; 12/4; 2/18-19
    - Parkersburg: 1/28-29 (Futures 2/26); (Starcher 10/1)
    - Short Course State Meet: March 10-13
  + Set date for fall bi-annual meetings (must be October)
    - Tentatively October /2
  + Set date for quarterly BOD meeting (July)
  + Tentatively July
* SZ Senior Champs:
  + several non-LSC teams have committed
  + Timers needed
  + Cost already high
* SC Champs:
  + 15-18 walk out music
  + Liked awards system
  + Pre-meet social media, interviews, etc.
  + Recognize former swimmers, e.g.,
  + Who is responsible for crowd control: referee or meet director? Both
  + Alert swimmers with top 3 finishes
* 102.10.4
  + Standardize meet marshal policy; min. two
* 202.4.1
  + Language for sanctions
  + Medical support at meet from USOC
* 202.4.11
  + Quality controls systems – from Safe Sport
  + Not allowing non-certified people on deck
  + All volunteers need to be vetted – how????
* 203.3
  + Eliminate 120-day rule – proposals pending
  + Some options – mileage based; champ effect; lsc’s move
  + Majority favor reduced time
  + Added work for registrars
* 207.6.2
  + Establish a senior development committee to establish time standards 10 mos out
* 501.4(5)
  + Permitting SDC to appoint to ex oficio to Nat Team Steering
* Article 4
  + Removing 401- 408 & 410 from rulebook into policy handbook
* Required bylaws template
  + All voting members must be USAS members
* Swim 3.0
  + All-encompassing for 2023 – online everything; new id system alpha-numeric;
  + Merge a lot of stuff; multi-id entry
  + Records; time standards for lsc can be entered
* Increase SZ lsc fee - $0.25/swimmer (for WV $50 to ~$150)
* iCloud & LiveBarn platforms