

Snake River Spring HOD
Agenda
April 18th, 2015
Nampa, ID

Meeting called to order by Vicki Marsh

Members present: Peggy Hawkins (Ontario), Michelle Davis (CSC), Emma Campbell (CSC), Jacqueline Lafferty (CSC), Vivienne Wright (CSC), Phillip Wright (CSC), Todd Bartolome (BY), Joan Wong (BY), Vanessa Wong (BY), Steve Witcher (HEAT), Jim Moffitt (HEAT), Patty Fisk (EST), Theresa Parini (EST), Michelle Smith (EST), Lucy McLaughlin (SA), Jennifer McAfee (MVM), Doug Nicholson (NST), Mark Eyolfson (BY), Jeff Erwin (BY), Patty Stratton (BY), Brian Gallagher (SV5B), Deb Marra (BSC), Linda Conger (BY), Mike Lewellyn (BY), Todd Marsh (BY), Vicki Marsh (BY)

Old Business-Minutes approved from Fall HOD

Chair Reports:

- Sr Chair-nothing
- Age Group Chair-Mike to send out application for Age Group Zone Coach to be returned and voted on within 30 days (Chao interested). Number of coaches dependent on swimmers.
- Coaches Chair-nothing
- Timing Trailer (Todd Bartolome)- **Motion to provide mileage reimbursement at 30% of Federal rate for person who moves the trailer from one team to the next when needed (currently in Elko and will need to move to Idaho)-Approved.** Mic and 2 pads approved for purchase last fall.
- Disability Chair-Linda Conger appointed. Increased number of swimmers and some are attending para-olympic meets.
- Safe Sport training attended by Vicki this spring and Peggy will follow up in June.
- Finance-recap YTD presented by Jeff (no hard copy to me). Looks like registrations are down for year by about 20 swimmers. Recommend adding more money to CD for better interest rates: this generated discussion about possibility of dropping fees if we have surplus funds or creating scholarships or funding for low income swimmers....decided to revisit in the fall at HOD.
- Awards-Deb Marra recommended moving to smaller medal (4 inch to 2 inch) and considering swimmer designed custom medal for future champs meets. **Motion made to decrease size to 2 inch and use current design for summer champs with Lucy to develop Survey Monkey for swimmers to post designs for a SRS medal to roll out winter champs 2016. Medals will be given places 1-8th. (this should be budget neutral with decrease in size). Approved.**

- Athlete Rep-Emma Campbell presented two ideas for team building amongst athletes.
 - Age group zone swimmers will work with Hawaii wildlife team to help the turtles while in Maui
 - Open water swimming event at Lucky Peak to raise money for Team Cancer America....date to be determined
- Officials Report-Mark presented LSC down 4 key official positions this year, Mark will be traveling to MN for an officials training, still working on shirts for officials, emphasized importance of volunteers following through with tests after taking officials training, deck changing rule-no swimmer penalty but verbally address and try to change culture. Aside: jewelry will be allowed at high school meets and remember to “appreciate high school swim staff”.
 - Requirement of 5 officials to hold a meet: starter, admin, 2 stroke and turns, ref
 - Continuing education for officials in SRS not required but encouraged if available....officials are supposed to retest q 4 years.
 - Will need officials for SRS Summer Champs this year since BY officials will be at Sr Sectionals (?will they all be in Gresham?)

Other Items

- Zone Select Camp (swimmers chosen by USA swimming under age 14 at top of their age group). **Todd March proposed 6 shares be put into travel budget to give swimmers \$300 towards travel expenses. Approved.**
- Age Group and Senior Zones-
 - Age group-Maui, no chaperones, coaches based on numbers, coach application process in the works, Joan Wong offered to be an unpaid zones manager and coordinate travel, forms etc (approved by group)
 - Sr Zones-nothing was discussed
- Meet Schedule (please refer to approved 2016 calendar for supplemental information)
 - **Group feeling that championship meets should be held at “optimal” pools for best swims. Motion by Age Group Chair-from 2016 on BY/NST alternate winter champs and Twin Falls always host Summer Champs. Approved**
 - **Officials chairs to secure officials staffing for all champs meets. Approved.**
 - *Concern was noted for the east side being left out of championship meets but overwhelming sentiment was for swimmers and best times.*
 - **Vicki presented motion to eliminate Standing Rule that prevents meets within 2 weeks. Approved (see Standing Rule Changes document)**

- **2016 Calendar as attached was approved (after much deliberation)**

New Business for Fall HOD

- Tech Planning looking at 8 and unders for champs meets and special recognition
- Team Unify v Team Manager-up to individual clubs
- Officials for meets-address swimmers coming to meet with no club officials....consider Standing Rule for this
- Fall HOD-teams bring meet formats to meeting so tech planning can review and address any gaps in event availability
- SRS Board meeting retreat to be held in Twin Falls Aug 29th

Fall Meeting set for Oct 10th in Twin Falls.

Meeting adjourned.

Minutes submitted by Lisa Johnson (from taped recording)