

MEETING OF THE LAKE ERIE SWIMMING BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Monday, October 17, 2016

Solon Police Department

Our Mission: To enrich the lives of our athletes through the sport of swimming by providing safe and inclusive programming in a culture that encourages competitive excellence and personal growth.

Minutes

Call to Order: Meeting was called to order at 7:30

Roll Call:

Present: Chuck Kunsman, Bob Martens, Tom Stacy, Bill Bare, Matt Parrish, Rich Szczepinski, Diane Finnerty, Al Kominek, Vince Colwell, Mike Milliken, Brian Peresie, Branden Burns, Jodi Clute, Colton Phelps, David Madej, Amanda Palutis, Spencer Crawford, Sarah Bennett, Nancy Veto

Absent: Carl Schallenberger, Mimi Wallace, Shelly Ochoa, Cassandra Pasadyn, Pam Cook

Conflict of Interest Declarations:

- Tom Stacy and David Madej: Funding for National Select Camp

Addition to and Approval of Agenda

- Action Item: Increase Elaine Miller funding for this year
- Old Business: LC Schedule and Champs
- New Business: Fees for Y meets and Ronald McDonald Meet

Approval of Consent Agenda: **PASSED**

1. Minutes from 2016 September Board Meeting (Conference Call): **PASSED**
2. Committee Reports: **PASSED**

Announcements

1. Club Leadership Business Management School: Notify Pam or Chuck if interested
 - Tuesday November 15, Cleveland Sport Institute
 - part of 2nd requirement for clubs
2. Thanks to CCS for hosting the HOD on Sunday October 2: Nancy will send out TY card

Strategic Plan

1. Athletic Performance

A. Senior Swimming:

- Tom reported LESI standing on Virtual Club Championship for LC and SC and Club Excellence Program
 - He said that these 2 programs should be used to formulate the strategic plan for the next Quadrennium
- a. Raise IMX Score – get a score
 - b. Increase National level participation
 - Club Excellence Program identifies and recognizes USA Swimming clubs for their commitment to performance excellence for 18 & under athletes
 - LESI currently has 4 teams achieving Bronze level (FAST, HEAT, LESD and SWIM)
 - c. Increase average ranking of Clubs in the Virtual Champs:
 - Virtual Champs Champs automatically ranks all USA Swimming member clubs based on swimmer performance.
 - There has been a steady improvement in LESI standing for both LC and SC
 - d. Increase college involvement.

B. Age Group Swimming: Bill working on revising analysis for the next meeting

- a. Increase Zone qualifiers.
- b. Increase National Age Group % (B,BB,A,AA)
- c. Athlete mentoring program

2. Volunteer Development

A. Increase Officials

- We may have lost 2 officials who have not volunteered all year
- We picked up another apprentice and Shaker may have someone interested

B. Active Committees

C. Permanent Office

Action Items:

1. 2017 Safe Sport Leadership Conference!

The Conference will be held at the Denver Gateway Marriott, Sunday and Monday January 22-23, 2017.

Motion: Approve funding for Shelly Ochoa to go to Safe Sport Leadership Conference:

PASSED

Discussion: There is money in the budget allotted for this

2. Reimbursement for National Select Camp

Motion: LESI will match USA funding up to \$200 per athlete or coach to go to National Select Camp. **PASSED**

Discussion:

- Teams are benefitting from their athletes and coaches going to this camp. Therefore, the teams should also shoulder some of the cost.
- Money is not in the budget: should write legislation to include this funding

3. Elaine Miller Funding: Motion: Increase Elaine Miller funding for this year by \$1000 to cover applications: PASSED

Discussion:

- Will not be an issue next year because the budget is increased
- Let Pam know that at this point, the funds have been exhausted in case anyone else applies

Discussion Items

1. Hall of Fame Committee

- BOD decided to limit the committee to 10 people :(Julie Knurek, Tom Stacy, Mike Davidson, Josh Forsythe, Wally Lutkus, Sarah Tobin, Tina McCulley, Tim Hable, Ben Brooks – Athlete, Shauna Jones – Athlete)

2. 2016 Aquatic Sports Convention: Thanks to those who gave reports during HOD

3. Safety Committee Discussion: Committee recommendations are posted on line

4. HOD location and Date for Fall 2017 – Prefer access to pool- minimum three meeting rooms/locations (30/50/50) and one large meeting room (125). Host provides a lunch and coffee, drinks, and snacks. LSC donates \$750 for costs incurred.

- Pam will put out a notice for clubs to apply for Fall 2017

Reports

1. Athlete Reps- Cassandra Pasadyn and Colton Phelps

- Jr. Athlete needs to be chosen by Spring

2. Coach Reps- Matt Parrish and Carl Schellenberger

- Jr. Coach of the year has several nominated names
- Sr. Coach of the Year has been named

3. Admin Vice-Chair- Bob Martens

4. Senior- Tom Stacy (see report under Strategic Planning/Athletic Performance/Senior Swimming)

5. Age Group- Bill Bare

- Began discussions about changes to the strategic objective.
- Pam Cook will include an announcement in the newsletter about the open chair position
- Diane reported that she has reached out to Erica Rose Dancik to be a part of the committee, since Erica recently moved back to town

- Concluded the task force review of the various issues that arose last year. I need to incorporate the language into what is posted for this meet with Ohio Swimming and Lake Erie. Then a chair person needs to be named.
 - Mimi has a committee meeting planned for Nov 2 to get assignments laid out for the committee. Zones will be held in Pleasant Prairie, Wisconsin August 3-6.
 - 14 of the scheduled meets and 4 dual meets have been sanctioned; 2 YMCA meet was approved
 - Athlete Kaylee Judy has been assigned to the committee, but we have not yet had occasion to meet as a committee and train Kaylee. Technical Planning- Vince Colwell (Old Business)
6. Zone Chair- Committee meeting planned for Nov 2 to get assignments laid out for the committee. Zones will be held in Pleasant Prairie, Wisconsin August 3-6
 7. Treasurer- Diane Finnerty (none)
 8. Finance- Rich (none)
 9. Legislation- Jodi Clute (none)
 10. Safety- Branden Burns (see report under Discussion Items)
 11. Officials- Al Kominek (see Officials' report under Strategic Planning/Volunteer Development)
 12. Secretary- Nancy Veto (none)
 13. Membership/Registration- Pam Cook
 - Athletes: Year Round – 2464/Seasonal -22 Total:2486
 - Non-Athletes – 91
 - Clubs - 14
 14. Safe Sport Coordinator- Shelly Ochoa (none)
 15. NCAA Liaison- Brian Peresie
 16. YMCA Liaison- Mike Milliken

Old Business: LC Schedule and Senior Champs

1. LC Schedule: 2 more meets bids were added to the schedule:
 - Avon Classic: July 8-9
 - Midsummer Dash: July 14-16
 Motion: Approve amended schedule: **PASSED**
2. LC Senior Champs: 2 bids
 - CSU: \$9200
 - Spire: \$8000
 - Tabled: put it out to teams who want to host it.

New Business: Fees for Y meets

Motion:

1. Waive the approval fee for YMCA approved meets for 2016-2017: **PASSED**

Discussion:

- Historically, this was to encourage the Y clubs to also be USA clubs
 - Policy and Procedure says that approved meets are subject to 20% sanction fee
 - There is no cost to the LSC to put Y swimmers' times in database
 - There should be legislation in place as to how to deal with Y approved meets and the fee they should pay
2. Waive all fees for the Ronald McDonald Meet: **PASSED**

Discussion:

- Legislation should be in place to address meets that raise money for charity.

Next Meeting: Solon Police Department Monday, November 28, 2016 7:30 pm
No December Meeting

Respectfully submitted:
Nancy Veto, Secretary