

MEETING OF THE LAKE ERIE SWIMMING BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Monday, January 16, 2017 7:30 p.m.

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: 7:30 PM

Roll Call:

Present: Chuck Kunsman, Tom Stacy, Bill Bare, Matt Parrish, Diane Finnerty, Al Komineck, Vince Colwell, Lisa Downing, Brian Peresie, Cassandra Pasadyn, Colton Phelps, David Madej, Sarah Bennett, Amanda Palutis, Nancy Veto

Absent: Bob Martens, Rich Szczepinski, Carl Schallenberger, Branden Burns, Jodi Clute, Mimi Wallace, Shelly Ochoa, Pam Cook, Spencer Crawford

Conflict of Interest Declarations: None

Addition(s) to and Approval of Agenda: Approved

- Diversity Meet in Sandusky

Motion to approve Agenda: Approved

Approval of Consent Agenda: Approved

1. Minutes from 2016 November Board Meeting
2. Committee Reports

Announcements

1. Couple of deaths in the LE Family, CJ Flatley's husband and Dawn Boykin's husband: cards were sent to both widows
2. Jodi Clute has asked to be relieved of duties:
 - Chuck will ask Eric Peterson to look for a replacement.
 - Jodi will stay on until her replacement is chosen
3. Need to replace Shelly Ochoa due to health issues: Pam will talk to a prospective candidate

Strategic Plan

1. Athletic Performance

- A. Senior Swimming- None
 - a. Raise IMX Score – get a score
 - b. Increase National level participation.
 - c. Increase average ranking of Clubs in the Virtual Champs
 - d. Increase college involvement.
- B. Age Group Swimming
 - a. Increase Zone qualifiers.
 - b. Increase National Age Group % (B,BB,A,AA)
 - c. Athlete mentoring program

2. Volunteer Development

- A. Increase Officials: There are 48 officials. Some have health issues. There are 4 new officials
- B. Active Committees
- C. Permanent Office

Action Items: None

Discussion Items

1. Mid-States All Star Meet Jan. 7 & 8, 2017 All went well. Using Team Unify to sign up made everything easy.
 - There were 75-78 athletes who competed.
 - Swimmers swam well and coaches were engaged.
 - Some coaches have not turned in their expenses yet.
2. May Strategic planning session – May 7
 - A venue is needed. Chuck will ask Pam to send out a notice.
 - Board members are encouraged to attend.
 - Arlene McDonald will be coming.
3. **Black History Meet Feb 17-19**, Takoma Aquatic Center 300 Van Buren St NW, Washington, DC 20012
 - There is no meet information is posted.
 - There is money budgeted for the athletes' entry fees and 2 coaches' hotel and mileage
4. **Lake Erie Diversity Meet**
 - Caroline McDermot (Chair of the Diversity Committee) would like to hold a meet in Sandusky so that Michigan teams can attend the meet
 - Vacationland has offered their pool for free
 - She is asking for money to pay the meet director and entries chair
 - The Board would like more information before deciding whether they will fund any expenses.
5. 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.
 - Possible Locations
 - a) GLSS – still under discussion
 - b) Kracken Swimming – Hubbard Middle School
 - Schedule
 - a) 11:30-1:30 – STSC at pool
 - b) 1:45-2:45 – Officials, coaches and athlete meetings
 - c) 3:00 – HOD
6. LSC Awards for April Awards Banquet: The Board should think of possible recipients
 - a. Forkapa Award – Selected by Board
 - Awarded to a person who continues to volunteer within the swimming community even though that person's personal involvement through kids/spouse, etc. has ceased. Coaches and officials are generally assumed to have personal involvement through their paid status. This award was named in honor of Judy Norton Martin Forkapa who remained involved in swimming, running HS districts long after her children had left the program.
 - b. Lake Erie Swimming Board Award– Selected by Board
 - Awarded to a person, group, entity, etc. that the Board chooses to recognize for whatever special accomplishment, service, contribution, etc. that doesn't fit into normal recognition categories.
 - c. Conoco/Phillips Outstanding Service Award – Tina and Tom have decided the recipient
 - d. Club Community Service Award– Chuck will have Pam send out notice to clubs
 - awarded to a club with outstanding community service through self-nomination

- e. Julie Bare Governance Award– Selected by Board
 - for outstanding service within LE Swimming and either zone or USA-S national or committee service
- f. Athlete's Award – By Athletes committee
- g. Club Development Award
- h. Coach of the Year Senior – Cindy Dial (Virido)
- i. Coach of the Year Age Group – Deanna Milliken
- j. Disability Swimmer of the Year
- k. Lake Erie Open Water Swimmer of the Year
- l. Lake Erie Age Group Swimmer of the Year – Boys
- m. Lake Erie Age Group Swimmer of the Year – Girls
- n. Lake Erie Swimmer of the Year

Reports

1. Athlete Reps- Cassandra Pasadyn and Colton Phelps: none
2. Coach Reps- Matt Parrish and Carl Schellenberger: none
3. Admin Vice-Chair- Bob Martens: none
4. Senior- Tom Stacy: none
5. Age Group- Bill Bare: see Committee report
6. Technical Planning- Vince Colwell
 - There is discussion to change format of Scullion meet
7. Zone Chair- Mimi Wallace
 - Lisa Downing is co-chair for Zones Committee
 - Applications for Asst. Coaches are due to Kevin by February
 - There is a hotel booked that is close by
8. Treasurer- Diane Finnerty
 - Report is attached
 - The projected loss for the year was \$44k but is actually \$13k
 - The LSC may have broken even for the Quad
9. Finance- Rich Szczepinski: none
10. Legislation- Jodi Clute: none
11. Safety- Branden Burns: none
12. Officials- Al Kominek: see attached report
13. Secretary- Nancy Veto: see attached report
14. Membership/Registration- Pam Cook: see attached report
15. Safe Sport Coordinator- Shelly Ochoa: none
16. NCAA Liaison- Brian Peresie: none
17. YMCA Liaison- Mike Milliken: none

Old Business

- LC Senior Meet – Location and Host/Meet Director needed
 - Shaker is willing to co-host
 - Mike Davidson is going back to his Board to see if they are interested

New Business

Next Meeting: Solon Police Department Monday, Feb 20, 2017 6:30 pm

Adjourned at 8:17 PM

Respectfully submitted:

Nancy Veto

Secretary