

MEETING OF THE LAKE ERIE SWIMMING BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Monday,

June 19, 2017 7:30 p.m.

Minutes

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.

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

Roll Call:

Present: Chuck Kunsman, Bob Martens, Tom Stacy, Bill Bare, Matt Parrish, Erin Crabtree, Vince Colwell, Al Kominek, Jodi Clute, Brian Peresie, Nancy Veto, David Madej, Colton Phelps, Amy Hall, Spencer Crawford, Sarah Bennett, Jay Johnson

Absent: Rich Szczepinski, Diane Finnerty, Mimi Wallace, Lisa Downing, Branden Burns, Pam Cook, Mike Milliken, Marianne Russell

Conflict of Interest Declarations: None

Addition(s) to and Approval of Agenda: No additions

Motion to approve agenda: PASSED

Approval of Consent Agenda

- **Motion to approve Consent Agenda:** PASSED

1. Minutes from 2017 May Board Meeting :
 - a. Motion to accept May 2017 Minutes: PASSED
2. Committee Reports
 - a. Motion to accept Committee Reports: PASSED

Announcements

1. New CEO of USA Swimming, Tim Hinchey
 - Used to be swimmer and has a marketing background
2. Bob Martens cannot go to Convention due to new work requirements

Strategic Plan

1. **Athletic Performance**
 - A. Senior Swimming-
 - a. Raise IMX Score – get a score
 - b. Increase National level participation.
- Increase average ranking of Clubs in the Virtual Champs
 - c. 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 –
 - B. Active Committees
 - C. Permanent Office

Action Items:

1. Request from Caroline McDermott
 - Motion: Approve full funding for Caroline to go to Convention: FAILED

- Discussion: We were over budget and should try to be on budget

Discussion Items

1. From Strategic Planning: everyone was sent an update by Arlene
 - a. Review calendar and update
 - There are some tasks that need to be done by a certain time: Example: Budget
 - Committees need to be streamlined
 - b. Crisis management – Manual is under Governance in web
 - Crisis Communication Team:
 - First Team: General Chair, Permanent Office, Legal Counsel, USA Swimming
 - Back ups: Administrative ViceChair, Senior & Age Group Chairs
2. Swimposium – Task Force needed
 - a. Dates needed and dependent on speakers
 - b. Bob will put together a task force
3. Technical planning
 - a. 10 & under meets:
 - need to be more enticing to younger swimmers and their families
 - Have more meets that will last for shorter periods and only for younger swimmers

Reports

1. Athlete Reps- Colton Phelps and Jay Johnson
 - Colton went to USA workshop
 - will have Opinion Surveys, Athlete Mission Statement changes
 - Amy will be Social Media Chair
2. Coach Reps- Matt Parrish and Erin Crabtree
3. Admin Vice-Chair- Bob Martens
 - Awards need a new Chair
4. Senior- Tom Stacy
5. Age Group- Bill Bare
 - Got meet information completed and submitted for sanction with help of Kat (meet director) and Julie.
 - Sanction Report: All meets on the summer schedule except Senior Champs have been either sanctioned or approved. Additionally, three other meets (dual, intrasquad) have been sanctioned. Senior Champs has not yet been submitted for review.
 - Club Service: The point schedule has been posted on the website. Points are being tallied as different events take place. It would be helpful if someone would notify me of any of our coaches/managers involved in representing LESI teams at meets such as Black History, Central Zone Multicultural, CZ Open Water, Central Zones, and any other meets to which LESI sends a team/athletes.
 - Volunteer Recognition: A few thank you's were returned because of insufficient addresses on file. Those gift cards will be saved for next year.
 - Open Water - Diane
 - LESI had one athlete participate in Zone Open Water meet. Alex Podrez won the 13/14 3k event.
6. Technical Planning- Vince Colwell
 - working on LC Schedule
7. Zone Chair- Mimi Wallace and Lisa Dowling

- 36 signed up so far, but expect an influx after this weekend since current qualifiers are supposed to register by the 19th.
- 8. Treasurer- Diane Finnerty
- 9. Finance- Rich Szczepinski
- 10. Legislation- Jodi Clute
- 11. Safety- Branden Burns
- 12. Officials- Al Kominek
- 13. Secretary- Nancy Veto
- Conflict of Interest form will need to be filled out by Board
- 14. Membership/Registration- Pam Cook
Registration
 - Athletes - 4368
 - Non Athletes - 296
 - Clubs - 36
- 15. Safe Sport Coordinator- Marianne Russell
- 16. NCAA Liaison- Brian Peresie
 - Swimming Programs are disappearing
 - please support local college swim teams by attending their meets
- 17. YMCA Liaison- Mike Milliken

Old Business

IMX AWARDS:

- Bob received an email from a concerned parent that 2nd and 3rd placers of 16-18 year old age groups were not given awards
- Initial discussion of this topic showed that it was the athletes who said only the first placers should be recognized
- Only 43 athletes participated. Giving 2nd and 3rd places will award 18 of these athletes

New Business: None

Next Meeting: Solon Police Department

Monday, July 17, 2017 No Meeting Planned

7:30 pm Monday August 21, 2017 (Need to finalize Budget and HOD Meeting)

Meeting was adjourned 8:38 PM

Respectfully submitted:

Nancy Veto
Secretary