

## MEETING OF THE LAKE ERIE SWIMMING BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Monday, March 20, 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:** Meeting was called to order 7:44 PM

**Roll Call: Present:** Chuck Kunsman, Bob Martens, Tom Stacy, Matt Parrish, Al Kominek, Vince Colwell, Branden Burns, Lisa Downing, Jodi Clute, Marianne Russell, Nancy Veto, Cassandra Pasadyn, David Madej, Sarah Bennett

**Absent:** Bill Bare, Carl Schallenberger, Rich Szczepinski, Diane Finnerty, Mimi Wallace, Mike Milliken, Brian Peresie, Pam Cook, Colton Phelps, Spencer Crawford, Amanda Palutis

**Conflict of Interest Declarations:** None

**Addition(s) to and Approval of Agenda:**

- **No additions**
- **Motion to approve Agenda: PASSED**

**Approval of Consent Agenda**

1. Minutes from 2017 February Board Meeting
  2. Committee Reports
- **Motion to approve Consent Agenda, Minutes of 2017 February Board Meeting and Committee Reports: PASSED**

**Announcements:**

- Introduction of Marianne Russell as Safe Sport Chair

**Strategic Plan: No additions**

#### 1. Athletic Performance

- A. Senior Swimming
  - 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
- B. Active Committees
- C. Permanent Office

**Action Items:**

**Discussion Items**

1. Julie Bare need confirmation of your committee lists– only people that are contributing:  
**Please send her your report ASAP!**
2. Strategic Planning:
  - May 7 at Spring Hill Suites from 9AM to 4 PM
  - Nancy to send invite to all members of the HOD.
3. Hall of Fame:
  - What is the purpose of the HOF and how will this benefit the current members of the LSC

- Hall of Fame will be held every 4 years
- Not sure whether Milestone Achievers celebrated every year is needed
- HOF: First year will have 5 Inductees and 2 thereafter; numbers may change
- There is no money for it in the 2017 budget; recommendation to holding it in 2018 and include it in the 2018 budget; have more details of needed expenses by HOD
- Julie suggested some monetary expenses i.e travel, banquet, printing programs
- Julie suggested having a pre banquet Social for all the HOF Inductees
- Suggestion: Have clubs sponsor 1-2 tables and bring in their team to meet Inductees
- Recommendations regarding Criteria for Athletes:
  - a. remove Zone and Sectional qualifier since this is a low bar
  - b. remove State Record Holder since this has nothing to do with USA Swimming
- Recommendation regarding Contributors:
  - a. There should be a criterion for Significant Contribution even for a short time
- Form will be posted on LESI website by April 1
- Recommendation: Contact Info should be mandatory so inductees can be informed
- Recommendation: Hold banquet October 2018 instead of 2017
- Bob will send recommendations back to the committee
- 4. Convention:
  - a. Dallas- Sept 12-16
  - b. Airfare booked by June 30
  - c. Potential Attendees (commitment due to GC by May 15); General Chair (will attend), Administrative V Chair, Senior V Chair, Age Group V Chair, Sr Coach Rep, Senior Athlete Rep, Officials Chair, Permanent Office (commitment due to GC by May 15)
  - d. Additional if above cannot attend;
    - i. General Chair can appoint replacements
    - ii. Persons with At-Large vote to USA-S HOD or members of National/Zone committees (minimum of Registration) (additional funding if Available)
      - 1. Julie Bare (will attend)
      - 2. Tina McCauley(will attend)
    - iii. Registration funding to LESI coach members

- **Please let Chuck know if interested on going by May 15**

## Reports

1. Athlete Reps- Cassandra Pasadyn and Colton Phelps
  - Voting for Jr. Athlete Rep is on the way
  - Cassandra wanted to know what the criteria for Athlete Award
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: None
6. Technical Planning- Vince Colwell
  - SC Meet bids and Championship format out.
  - Bids are due April 8
7. Zone Chair- Mimi Wallace and Lisa Downing: None
8. Treasurer- Diane Finnerty: None
  - Open Water: There is a list of Open Water events posted on LESI website
9. Finance- Rich Szczepinski:

- Audit and 2016 990 (non profit tax return) in process; Accountant has all documents
- 10. Legislation- Jodi Clute:
  - Instructions for Spring legislation sent out
  - So far, there are no legislations for HOD
- 11. Safety- Branden Burns: None
- 12. Officials- Al Kominek:
  - There are some potential apprentices
- 13. Secretary- Nancy Veto: None
- 14. Membership/Registration- Pam Cook
  - Athletes: 3895
  - None Athletes: 272
  - Clubs: 35
- 15. Safe Sport Coordinator: None
- 16. NCAA Liaison- Brian Peresie: None
- 17. YMCA Liaison- Mike Milliken: None

### **Old Business**

- LC Senior Meet – LSC will host LC Senior Champs
  - Meet Director – Marianne Russell
  - Dates: July 28-30
  - Location: **Motion to hold LC Senior Champs at CSU: PASSED**
  - Vince said most of the key personnel are on board
  - Hospitality committee to determine food and have volunteers working it
- LSC Awards for April Awards Banquet
  - Forkapa Award: Selected by Board
  - Lake Erie Swimming Board Award: Selected by Board
  - Conoco/Phillips Outstanding Service Award: Selected by Board
  - Club Community Service Award– Selected by Board
  - Julie Bare Governance Award– Selected by Board
  - Athlete's Award – By Athletes committee
  - Coach of the Year Senior – Cindy Dial (Virdo)
  - Coach of the Year Age Group – Deanna Milliken
  - Awards, Age Group Disability or Senior Committee

**New Business: None**

**Next Meeting:** Solon Police Department Monday, April 17, 2017 7:30 pm

Respectfully submitted:

Nancy Veto  
Secretary