

## CONFERENCE CALL MEETING OF THE LAKE ERIE SWIMMING BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Tuesday, February 27, 2018

**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.*

**Vision:** *Lake Erie Swimming inspiring the pursuit of excellence in swimming and in life.*

### Meeting

**Call to Order:** Meeting was called to order at 7:35 pm

#### Roll Call:

**Present:** Chuck Kunsman, Bob Martens, Erin Crabtree, Rich Szczepinski, Lisa Downing, Jodi Clute, Marianne Russell, Branden Burns, Nancy Veto, Al Kominek, Pam Cook, Jay Johnson, David Madej, Amanda Palutis, Amy, Hall

**Absent:** Tom Stacy, Bill Bare, Matt Parrish, Diane Finnerty, Vince Colwell, Mike Milliken, Brian Peresie, Colton Phelps, Sarah Bennett, Spencer Crawford

**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 2018 January Board Meeting  
Motion to approve 2017 January Minutes: **PASSED**
2. Committee Reports for February  
Motion to approve Committee Reports: **PASSED**

**Announcements: NONE**

#### Action Items:

Approval of sending 4 (Chuck Kunsman, Bob Martens, Marianne Russell, ?) to Zone workshop in Alexandria, VA April 13-15

- LESI will be going to the Eastern Zone Workshop instead of the Central Zone Workshop
- Chuck would like to send: Chuck, Bob, Pam and Marianne
- Motion to approve sending the above LSC members to the workshop: **PASSED**

#### Discussion Items

1. Proposals for Awards presented/approved by board due by February Meeting
  1. Forkapa Award: Awardee has been chosen
  2. Board Award: Awardee has been chosen
  3. Conoco Phillips Service Award: Awardee has been chosen
  4. Julie Bare Governance Award: No awardee for this year
  5. Club Community Service Award: GC has not received any self-nominations as of 2/14
2. Request (Julie Bare) to issue warning teams (coaches) regarding women's suits (indecent exposure)
  - Not only the girls but the boys are also in very skimpy suits
  - Officials and coaches should not be put in a situation of policing swimmers
  - Parents are in a better position to police the situation
  - We need to figure out a good way to address the situation-TABLED

3. Diversity Camp at Cleveland State June 21-24 hosted by Ohio Swimming/Mason Manta Rays (Can send 4 athletes(2 M/2 F), one coach and Diversity chair)
  - Chuck asked Caroline to send him criteria for selection of both swimmers and coaches
  - There is money set aside in the budget. There are no travel expenses because it will be held at CSU-only lodging.
4. Logo Partnership with Bus Company: Lisa Downing
  - Bids for transportation were taken.
  - Precious Cargo offered to donate \$500 in exchange for putting their logo in the Zone Website and passing out fliers during the Zone meeting.

## Reports:

1. Athlete Reps- Colton Phelps and Jay Johnson
2. Coach Reps- Matt Parrish and Erin Crabtree
3. Admin Vice-Chair- Bob Martens
4. Senior- Tom Stacy
5. Age Group- Bill Bare
  - We have been discussing the strategic plan. General consensus is that it is more of a goal than a plan. The group feels that a strategic plan would outline things to do (camps, clinics, coach education, etc) not unlike the workshop we did with Arlene McDonald last spring. Still working through the discussion about how to implement the ideas.
  - Open Water (Eileen?): Diane Finnerty stepped down as chair and suggested Eileen as replacement. AGVC has passed along the recommendation to GC.
  - Sanction (Julie): Totals for Sept. '17 - March '18:
    - Sanction: 27 scheduled meets + 16 other (dual, tri, etc.) = 43
    - Approved - 14 (11 YMCA + 3 PA)
    - Total meets = 57
6. Technical Planning- Vince Colwell
7. Zone Chair- Lisa Downing
8. Treasurer- Diane Finnerty
9. Finance- Rich Szczepinski
10. Legislation- Jodi Clute
11. Safety- Branden Burns
  - Branden said that Lindsay's Law which addresses Sudden Cardiac Arrest in youth athletes (ages 19 and younger) is applicable to both public and non-public sports (not just schools)
  - All involved in the sport should read and sign the form. This includes, athletes, parents, officials and coaches: Electronic signatures are fine
  - Coaches should go to training
12. Officials- Al Kominek
13. Secretary- Nancy Veto
14. Membership/Registration- Pam Cook
  - Registration Stats:

Athletes - 3505  
Non Athletes - 282  
Clubs - 34

15. Safe Sport Coordinator- Marianne Russell
16. NCAA Liaison- Brian Peresie
17. YMCA Liaison- Mike Milliken

**Old Business: None**

**New Business:**

- Pam will devise a check list for borrowing LESI's equipment.

**Next Meeting:** Solon Police Department 7:30 pm Monday March 19, 2018

Meeting was adjourned at 8:25