

Adirondack Swimming House of Delegates Spring 2011 Meeting Minutes

Date: Sunday, May 1, 2011

Time: 10:10 AM – 11:40 AM

Location: Woodlin Club, Scotia, New York

Attendees:

*Paul Bennice	Ballston Spa	*Andrew Jesaitis	Clifton Park
*Dave Burns	AD Board	* Chris Joyce	Hawks
*RaeAnn Burns	Ravena	* Ann Korzun	AD Board
*David Cardone	Fulton County	* Rosemary Lanzi	AD Board
*Jenna Cardone	Fulton County	*Rob MacLeod	Uncle Sam
*Lisa Chiarello	Amsterdam	*Carolyn Manor	AD Board
**David Connor	AD Board	*Jeff Maxwell	Adirondack Bluefins
**Meghan Cortright	Canajoharie	**Rebecca Nelson	Duanesburg
* Sue Cortright	Canajoharie	*Paula O'Donnell	AD Board
*Kim Crouse	AD Board	*Matt Phillips	Clark Sports Center
*Jen Dixon	AD Board	*Scott Risucci	Clinton Cudas
Tristan Dixon	Duanesburg	*Victor Romanov	Schenectady-Saratoga
Debbie Erickson	Delmar	** Bobby Rowledge	Schenectady-Saratoga
*Bill Faucett	AD Board	Patty Rowledge	Schenectady-Saratoga
*JoAnn Faucett	AD Board	**Olivia Samson	AD Board
*Lucky Foreman	Albany Starfish	*Jenna Tocco	Kingston
*Kathy Furman	AD Board	Lori Tocco	Kingston
*Tom Geary	Clifton Park	**Mary Kate Weaver	Uncle Sam
*Colleen Goodspeed	Duanesburg	**Emily Whittaker	AD Board
*Amelia Gritman	Kingston	*Art Young	AD Board
Jordan Hammons	Canajoharie	*Amy Zemerling	Delmar

* - Voting Non-athlete

** - Voting Athlete

Fall 2010 Meeting: The minutes from the fall 2010 House of Delegates meeting were accepted.

Treasurer's Report [Ms. Carolyn Manor for Mr. Peter Kalish]: The accounts have now been fully characterized following the loss of records as a result of flooding. Nine months through the fiscal year, the income is \$224,745.70, expenses are \$177,256.50, which leaves a current year balance of \$47,489.20. Finances are healthy.

The report was accepted.

Registration [Ms. Kathy Furman]: The 2011 AD LSC registrations include 2106 athlete and 2436 total members at this time. Additional Season 1 athletes will be coming. AD anticipates having more 2011 members than were registered in 2010.

A reminder to all teams to please include the name and address of the registrar on your Club home page.

The report was accepted.

Club Development Liaison [Ms. Ann Korzun]: Ann will be pulling together training for teams as we work through turnover of new meet directors and team registrars. This will help with knowledge level and continuity, thus streamlining the efforts for administration of memberships and the running of Adirondack meets.

The report was accepted.

Administrative Vice Chair [Mr. William Faucett]: Sanctions went well throughout the 2010-2011 short course season. One outstanding meet financial report remains to be submitted. A reminder was passed along to all Clubs who host meets to use the meet announcement template to make sure you get all of the USAS and Adirondack Swimming requirements in the meet announcement. A reminder to host Clubs that it is a requirement of USAS to file the financial report with AD swimming within 45 days of the completion of the meet.

The website is up to date with registrations as of May 1, 2011. USAS has updated reports to make it easier to understand who does not have a currently active registration, and what is missing if you have been deactivated. A reminder to clubs that coaches are not insured if their registration has expired.

Red Cross has changed their CPR certifications to be good for two years. Please be aware that New York State does not recognize a CPR certification beyond one year for lifeguarding.

Adirondack Swimming will be reviewing and revising, if warranted, their travel policy for presentation at the Fall 2011 House of Delegates meeting.

The report was accepted.

Board of Review [Mr. Art Young]: There has been no need to convene the Board of Review since the Fall 2010 meeting.

The report was accepted.

Officials Chair [Ms. JoAnn Faucett]: The next officials clinic will be held on June 4th at Canajoharie. This is open to all who may want to become an official. A reminder was passed along that Clubs who want to host a meet must have two certified officials from the host Club, otherwise the sanction request will not be approved.

All Adirondack officials have complied with the new background check requirement.

Five Adirondack officials recertified as N2 level during the past year.

The report was accepted.

Safety Chair [Mr. Paula O'Donnell]: A was passed along to all Clubs that host meets that it is the responsibility of the host team to fill out and file the paperwork if an injury occurs at a meet. It is the team's responsibility to follow-up on injury reports. Make sure the proper copies are submitted when an injury occurs.

The report was accepted.

Records Chair [Ms. Jen Dixon]: Records are up to date on the website. Jen Dixon is now the new chair and will be meeting within the next two weeks for turnover from the previous chair.

The report was accepted.

Athlete Representatives [Ms. Emily Whitaker & Ms. Olivia Samson]: Niko Brosnihan, a member of the Uncle Sam Swim Club was elected at Gold Championships as the new Junior Athlete representative.

The athlete representatives have continued the recycling project and raised a total of \$110 that will be donated to Make-A-Splash. These funds will be targeted to local partners. The athlete representatives have ideas to raise awareness of this worthwhile effort.

To better serve the community, the athlete representatives are considering beginning a food drive for the Thanksgiving timeframe and/or a toy drive at Christmas time.

A reminder to all athletes that an athlete representative email was established earlier in the year. Athletes should feel free to use this to communicate with their Board of Directors representatives.

The report was accepted.

Coaches Representative [Mr. Dave Burns]: A reminder was passed along to all Clubs that coaches need to maintain their certifications up to date.

A reminder was provided to each Club to follow the travel policy.

A heads up to all Clubs that host meets that a file with Championship meet cut times is available and Clubs are requested to include these in the meet programs.

Another reminder to all Clubs to ensure that you should pre-arrange for a coach for your athlete(s) if the team coach is unable to attend a meet in which swimmers from your team will be competing.

The report was accepted.

Age Group Chair [Ms. Rosemary Lanzi]: Rosemary is resigning effective May 1st. Consistent with the Adirondack Swimming By-Laws, the General Chair will appoint an individual to fill this position until the elections at the Fall 2011 meeting.

The 2011 Short Course Zone meet was held in Rochester March 31- April 2, 2011. The efforts taken by Ms. Lanzi to raise awareness of the opportunity to try out for and compete at the Zone meet, representing Adirondack Swimming were successful. A total of 52 of the 67 athletes who registered for the Zone team, qualified and participated in Rochester. This is the largest team ever sent to a Zone meet by Adirondack. The Zone team consisted of swimmers from 11 clubs and one unattached swimmer. Each of the age groups had enough swimmers to enable Adirondack to field relay teams. The summer Long Course Zone meet will be held at Penn State in August.

The report was accepted.

Senior Vice Chair [Ms. Carolyn Manor for Mr. Jerry Adams]: This summer's Eastern Zone Speedo Super Sectional meet will be held at Pittsburgh University on August 4-7, 2011. Qualifying times are available on the Eastern Zone website. The meet announcement will be available shortly on this same website.

Stanford University will host the USA National Championships August 2-6, and Junior Nationals August 8-12, 2011.

The 2011 Short Course National Championships will be held at Georgia Tech on December 1-3, 2011 and Junior Nationals at the University of Texas December 8-10, 2011.

Two Adirondack athletes competed at the 2010 Short Course National Championships in Columbus, Ohio. Two Adirondack athletes competed in the 2010 Short Course Junior Nationals at Georgia Tech. A total of 26 Adirondack athletes competed in the Eastern Zone Speedo Short Course North Division Sectional Championships in Buffalo, NY.

The report was accepted.

Technical Planning Committee [Mr. Jerry Adams]: The 2011 Adirondack Long Course Championships will be hosted by the Clinton Cudas at Colgate University. The 2012 Adirondack Short Course Silver Championships will be hosted by the Schenectady-Saratoga Swim Club and the 2012 Adirondack Short Course Gold Championships by the Delmar Dolphins.

The changes adopted for the 2011 Adirondack Short Course Gold Championship meet resulted in a much more manageable timeline. The technical planning committee will look at changes to the Gold SC championship meet announcement to clarify the total number of events allowed for each swimmer.

The Silver Championship meet is still very long. The technical planning committee will evaluate potential changes to improve this meet and present them at the Fall 2011 Board of Director's meeting. If anyone has suggestions, please send them to the Technical Planning Committee.

Jerry will review the reimbursement form on the web if warranted for clarity to ensure it is clear that you only need to attend one Adirondack Championship meet in that year to qualify.

The report was accepted.

New Business:

Background Checks: The Board provided a motion: Adirondack will reimburse Board members that request the basic Level 1 and Level 2 background screens cost if it has not been reimbursed by another party.

Discussion: This does not include any additional costs, but is limited to the basic cost.

The motion was carried.

Diversity Camp – Camp coming up in June. Clubs polled for input of nominees – no response. As a result, AD will not be sending a group.

AD Scholarship – AD Swimming had approached Stewarts for a grant to support diversity and outreach programs. They declined. To move forward the Board moved: Form an active committee to develop an AD scholarship program to commit up to \$5000 from the 2011-2012 budget. The committee will also be charged with trying to obtain outside funding. The committee recommendation will be brought to the Fall 2011 Board of Directors and House of Delegates meetings.

Discussion: The focus should be to enable a greater participation. The committee shall send their program proposal to the Board prior to the fall meeting to enable review prior to the meeting. Carolyn Manor will chair this committee. Members will include: Rob MacLeod, Dave Burns, Peter Kalish, Vic Romanov, Colleen Goodspeed & Jenn Dixon.

The motion was passed.

On-Deck Photographers – To provide a tool for Meet Directors to use to register photographers, the Board provides a motion: Photographers at meets shall be registered prior to commencing picture taking at any AD sanctioned meet.

Discussion: There will be an Adirondack Swimming photographer registration form. This should be used if the host team has provided a photographer as part of the meet. This is intended to be used by anyone taking pictures on deck or from the stands taking pictures other than photographing their child(ren). The intent is to promote accountability and enable the Meet Director to respond to parent inquiries. There will be a notice published in meet announcements and on the web. Teams should consider priding a lanyard with a placard indicating they are registered as a photographer.

The motion was passed.

Nominating committee for the Fall 2011 slate of officers Raeann Burns, Ann Korzun, Vic Romanov, Jenn Dixon, and Colleen Goodspeed.

The date of the next meeting will be published in May 2011.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:21 AM.