

**2014 AD HOD Fall Meeting
September 28, 2014
Duanesburg Community Center**

House of Delegates Meeting Minutes

HOUSE OF DELEGATES mtg Start 11:10am

Attendees:

Sean Caron		
Alison Caron	Connor Doyle	Olivia Hilt
JoAnn Faucett	Andre Paradis	Chuck Dunham
Bill Faucett	Jennifer Dixon	Tristan Dixon
Jerry Adams	Jesse Haraden	Ann Korzun
Steve Hall	Pat Rowledge	Debbie Erickson
Kara Haraden	Andrew Hill	Andre Paradis
Rob Macleod	Victoria Hill	Julia Samson
Matt Phillips	Allison Busseno	Michelle Boxley
Lindsey Bailey	Sue Rokos	Denise McGraw
Kate Jeffords	Walt Dixon	Jill Doyle

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Minutes from Spring HOD meeting were reviewed. Minutes were approved.
Agenda was approved

Reports

General Chair – JoAnn Faucett

- New USA swimming president is Jim Sheehan from NJ.
- Attended volunteer incentive mtg at conference. Current AD incentive programs: Coach of the year; USA life award; Maxwell award (for officiating only).
- LSC Board of review will be non-existing as of Dec 31; it is going to Zone board of review. AD representatives are: Sean Caron, Jenn Dixon and Tara O'Donnell (athlete rep).
- USA Swimming Foundation; donated \$500k to national team. Make a splash, gave out 12,000 scholarships this summer and 35,000 with local partners.

Treasurer - JoAnn for Peter Kalish.

- Finances are looking good.
 - A few timing variances with registrations.
 - Big zone team so expenses and revenue higher than expected.
 - Will investigate travel fund-meet fees variance.
 - Other fees has a variance due to the purchase of new headsets (\$5330).
 - Outreach grants running low. Very few applications.
- All payables current. Taxes were filed on time. Balances leveling out.
- Moving \$50K from cash reserve to strategic reserve. Approved.
- Registrar and Sanctions chair can both also make deposits now.

Registrar - Ann Korzun

- 2014 Final statistics: 2865 members; 2523 athletes and 342 non-athletes. 33 clubs.
- 2015 YTD statistics: 684 athletes, 60 non-athletes, 4 clubs
- APT now good for 2 years. You can take APT anytime during the year and the expiration date will be Dec 31 two years later.
- 30% of coaches have certificates that have expired or will expire soon 9/30.
- Athlete membership cards will be sent straight to swimmers. One card/year no team name on them.
- Non-athlete cards are printed by AD registrar.

Administrative Vice Chair – Sean Caron

- Attended USA Swimming convention Sep 20-21. Chang USA rule to follow FINA rule on wedges for backstroke starts; USA swimming will now also allow them.
- New series of meets for Senior swimmers; Legends meet will have 3 regions, faster than Speedos. Our meet will be in Greensboro, NC.
- Deck changing is now prohibited.
- If you report a safe sport incident, you are protected for 6 months.
- LEAP – Must do Leap 1 every 4 years; on track for doing it in 2015. Goal is to get to Leap 2. Michelle Boxley and Ann Korzun will help.

Sanctions/Times - Bill Faucett

- AD meet fee revenue down about \$5200 due to loss of a few meets and smaller meets added.
- Make sure to use new template for meet announcement; not your own announcement from two years ago.

Age Group Chair – JoAnn for Jenn Nelson

- Record number going to summer zones; 44 kids and 3 relays of senior boys. Chase starts saved 45 min per session.
- Zone applications need to get in earlier. Deadline to be a week earlier; postmark is deadline. Will look into setting application up electronically.

Outreach Chair - Jenn Dixon for Carolyn Manor

- Grant applications 2nd round to be received by Oct 24th. All money has not been used. Total budget for \$7,000.
- From convention; Adirondack on right track with clinics and grants.
- Add Swim America logo and link on AD website. Celebrate heritages; ie on MLK day “I am free” (only IM and free sets).
- AD outreach committee will try to get a community member involved.
- 16 kids at outreach camp. Each swimmer left with a goodie bag.
- Select camp for AD swimmers.
- Outreach committee mtg this fall.

Technical Planning Chair – Jerry Adams

- New high level meets; Legends meets.
- New Gold cuts.
- Committee to discuss championship meets going forward.

Official's Chair – JoAnn Faucett

- Clinic Saturday Sep 27; only 12 came. Will try to do another date.
- Admin official – each team running a meet needs to have one.
- Meet Marshals – need to be watching area and are not on their phones.

Records Chair - Jenn Dixon

- Records updated through Sep 22nd.
- If you are swimming out of district, let Bill know for times to show up on reports.

Coaches Chair - Jenn Dixon

- Nothing to report

Athlete Rep - Alison Caron and Julia Samson

- Went to convention
- Deck changing; not really defined. Is removing straps considered “deck changing”. Deck changing is no longer allowed.
- Will do coin drive again at Silvers and Golds

Senior Swimming Chair – Steve Hall

- Reimbursement forms needs to be submitted within 30 days.
- 2 Spring Speedo meets.
- Olympic trials times are out.

Safety Chair – Michelle Boxley

- Nothing to report
- Trying to get clarification on first aid kit.

Safe Sport Liaison – Andre Paradis

- Each team needs to have a travel and electronic communication policy. If teams don't have own, they will default to the USA swimming policy.
- No cameras or cellphones behind blocks or in locker rooms.
- Teams can become a “Safe Sport certified team” if parents do APT.
- Photographers on deck have to be paid photographer; not just a parent.

New Business

- Andre Paradis: Motion “To add a non-scoring c-final heat to Golds and LC Champs for seniors”. Passed
- Andre Paradis: Motion “ Increase meet entry fees \$1.00 for all events for SC starting Dec 1”. Passed
- Andre Paradis: Motion: “ LC meet entry meets will increase by \$1.50”. Passed
- Date for LC champs: July 24-26. Depending on pool availability
- Rob McCloud: Can we promote swimming on bigger stage? At baseball fields; at ValleyCats games? Will bring up at Outreach mtg.

Adjourn at 12:21