

2015 AD SPRING HOUSE OF DELEGATES MEETING MINUTES
MAY 17, 2015
Duanesburg Area Community Center

Attendees:

JoAnn Faucett	Aidan Strayer	Kate Gawrys
Bill Faucett	Joey Homan	Matt Phillips
Jenn Nelson	Carolyn Manor	Jill Doyle
Debbie Erickson	John Fitzmaurice	Connor Doyle
Jenn Dixon	Denise Murphy McGraw	Sue Rokos
Jerry Adams	Sarah Webber	Kayleigh Dearstyne-Hulin
Steve Hall	Allison Busseno	Emily Zitzman
Sean Caron	Julianna Busseno	Patty Rowledge
Andre Paradis	Jill Hodge	Nate Hosking
Alison Vitullo	Jenna Gold-Wienk	
Ann Kurzon	Susan Gold	

Reviewed Fall 2014 HOD Meeting (Sep, 2014) minutes

- Minutes approved

Approval of Agenda

- Agenda approved

Reports

Treasurer – Alison Vitullo

- Taxes were filed on time.
- Registration variance due to more swimmers than budgeted. Revenue offset by equal expense.
- Zone team was large, so both revenue and expense above budget.
- Payables are up to date.
- 2014 audit done and submitted to USA swimming.
- Bank balances: moved \$50K to new strategic reserve.
- Adirondack had a positive net income versus an expected slight loss.
- Motion: “to approve report”. Motion Passed

Outreach Chair – Carolyn Manor

- 1 LC grant given and 1 pending.
- Sep 12 potential Outreach Clinic date.
- EZ outreach clinic: Steven Yu, Belen Marriage and coach Rossi Maldonado will attend.
- Motion: “to pass report”. Report approved.

Registration/Membership Chair – Ann Korzun

- 2015 YTD Statistics: 2176 year round athletes, 123 seasonal athletes, 312 non-athletes and 31 clubs.
- There are 7 new club registrars. There will be a training workshop in conjunction with the Fall HOD mtg.
- Swimmers can now register without proof of age but they are given a “restricted membership” and can only swim open/senior events until proof of age is provided.
- 24% of coaches are currently invalid; 55% will be invalid by 5/31/15

- Background check is now the same for everyone; \$36.50 for new and \$18 for renewal.
- APT now good for 2 years. It can be taken anytime during the year and the expiration date will be Dec 31, 2 years later.
- For coaches instead of lifeguard can now do STSC in-water skills tests.
- USA Swimming has increased their 2016 year-round membership fees by \$2. A motion was made and passed to keep AD registration fees the same as 2015. Therefore, USA-S year-round membership will be \$70 in 2016.
- Working on doing electronic payments for registration.
- Motion: "to accept report". Approved

Age Group Chair – Jenn Nelson

- 59 out of over 80 applicants to zones. Largest number of teams represented.
- Report approved

Safety Chair – Michele Boxley

- Sent in report to JoAnn Faucett
- 2 incidents; one involving a dislocated shoulder;
- USA Swimming is accepting nominations for the Adolph Kiefer Safety Award. Nominations are due July 22. Please contact Michele Boxley to get a copy of nomination form.
- Motion: "To accept report". Motion passed.

Senior Vice Chair – Steve Hall

- New Senior meets: Senior Zones champs and Futures Champion (slower than jr nationals and faster than Speedos).
- Eastern Senior Zones and Futures Champions meets have been added to list of meets for reimbursement. An athlete can only be reimbursed for one meet. Teams can also petition for reimbursement for other national type level meets.
- Motion: "To accept report". Motion passed.

Coaches Rep – Jenn Dixon

- Jeff Maxwell elected coach of the year. Will get \$300 for training.

Records Top 10 Chair – Jenn Dixon

- All records have been updated. Pls let Jenn know if anything is missing.
- Motion: "To accept report". Motion passed.

Sanction/Times Chair – Bill Faucett

- 1 new SC meet (Dolphins Fall Challenge), lost 1 meet (Foothills meet)
- \$441 higher in meet fees for SC than last year.
- Important for teams to remember to use new meet template.....certain statements are mandated by USA Swimming and/or Adirondack!!!
- Report passed

Administrative Vice Chair – Sean Caron

- Leap 1 certification renewal in process. Everything submitted on time before May 1.
- Some changes to by-laws had to be made as a result of USA Swimming annual mtg
 - No longer board of review at LSC level
 - An LSC employee cannot be a voting member
 - Must state who is liaison in charge of interacting with athlete members (senior vice chair)
 - All board members have to sign Conflict of Interest statement.
- LEAP 2 is next step. Have all information but have to wait 6 months to submit.
- Motion: "To accept report". Motion passed.

General Chair – JoAnn Faucett get email report.

- LSC athlete membership dues are due Aug 15. At \$0.25/athlete, AD's fee is \$587.75
- USA Swimming calendar: <http://www.usaswimming.org/Rainbow/Documents/449a4053-beeb-459d-9de0-fea38f9d0e8d/Events%20Calendar.pdf>
- EZ membership as of April 15: 75,000 athletes
- USA-S year round athletes as of March 15 was 313,117.
- New movie "The lost gold". About East German female swimmers at Olympics.
- Swim-a-thons: Since 2012 teams have raised over \$17M and \$904K has been collected by USA-S foundation.
- USA swimming webpage being redone for over \$1M!!!
- 2 new links on Adirondack website: Zone board of review link and USA-S foundation webpage.
- Build a Pool Conference: June 13-14 in West Hartford, CT.
- Eastern Zone championship bids.
 - SC Zone at Webster; March 24-25-26
 - North Sectionals at Ithaca March 24-27
- Adirondack Championship meets:
 - Gold Qualifying meets Feb 26-28
 - Distance Golds March 6th
 - Golds March 11-13
- Zone board of review; 3 people – athlete, coach and non-coach; Tara O'Donnell, Sean Caron and Jenn Dixon. They will participate in conference call to review procedure.
- National committee wants to ban technical suits for 12-under because of cost and to make sure all athletes are on the same playing field.
- Top 16 list for Zone level on Eastern Zone website:
<http://www.easternzoneswimming.org/records.html>
- Eastern zone Hall of Fame being considered and each LSC is being asked to nominate someone from their LSC.
- AD 2015 Scholarship Award winners; Eric Burdge and Gabrielle Celia.

Officials Chair – JoAnn Faucett

- Officials mtg in Minneapolis coming up
- Helped officiate at Special Olympics meet.
- Need new officials; especially for younger kids.
- Motion: "To accept reports". Motion passed.

Safe Sport Coordinator – Andre Paradis

- Safe Sport convention in Denver in June. JoAnn will attend.
- Deck changing not permitted. If officials see anything they should approach the coach.
- USA Swimming wants more athletes to do the online safe sport training.
- Cannot take picture behind blocks.
- Motion: "To accept report". Motion passed

Tech Planning Chair – Jerry Adams

- Silvers and Golds: Changes to make meets more manageable. Too dependent on RPI. Expensive and limited availability. Bleachers too crowded.
- Split Silvers in two, held at separate pools same weekend. Change to blue and yellow qualifier meet. No team scoring.
- Gold cuts tighten
- Motion" to change championship meet format to above". All in favor. Passed.
- LC Championship meet fear; we can't run a good meet that is over-subscribed.
 - Need controls to limit numbers.

- Motion: “swim 11-12 200 timed finals during afternoon.” Approved
- Motion: “Limit relays to 3 per team per event. If oversubscribed meet director and meet referee will limit relays even further.” Motion approved.
- Motion: “To accept report”. Motion passed.

Senior Athlete Rep – Julia Samson from Steve

- Still working on Senior Training trip for April 2016.
- Motion: “To accept report”. Motion passed.

Junior Athlete Rep – Joey Homan

- Presented check from coin drive. \$179 to USA Swimming foundation.

Nominating Committee – Jenn Dixon, Chair

- Voting year. Several positions open; Admin Vice chair; Senior Vice Chair, Age Group Chair and Coaches Rep.
- Need 2 board members and 3 non-board members for nominating committee.

New Business

- Question: For smaller teams that don't have enough boys/girls for a relay can they have mixed relays at championships. No. Not recognized by USA Swimming
- Fall Meeting Oct 10th or 11th (Columbus Day weekend). Or weekend after.

Meeting adjourned at 16:15