

MARYLAND SWIMMING
HOUSE OF DELEGATES MEETING
June 17, 2006
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I. General Items

1. Roll Call:

Teams present: ASC, BAAC, CAA, CBAC, EST, GBSA, GTAC, HARY, LBA, MAC, MPSC, MSC, NAAC, NBAC, RAC, RAID.

Directors present: John Ferrari, Jamie Cahn, Debbie Sakell, John Burke, Rachael Fishbain, Tom Yetter, Linda Sue Lottes, Chuck Jacobs, Gerry Lindner, Liz Brabson, Larry Harkleroad, Pete LaGow, Lori James, Kay Williamson, Ellen Frketic, Don Smith and Danny Gray.

2. Adoption of Minutes:

Motion: To accept minutes from June 2005 House of Delegates Meeting.
(PASSED)

II. Officer Reports:

General Chairman:

1. John reported on the Eastern Zone Meeting
2. John deferred to Tom Yetter to review the 2006-2007 MSI Meet schedule.
Tom reviewed the schedule with two potential changes as follows:
 - The April 15 ASC meet will be a 1 day mini meet
 - The June NAAC meet will be long course

Motion: To approve the 2006-2007 Meet schedule with the 2 changes as stated.

(PASSED)

3. John proposed a slate of people for a nominating committee as there will be many open positions for next years Board.

Motion: To accept the following slate of people to comprise the nominating committee: Don Smith-BOD member, Gerry Lindner-BOD member, Annette Stang-RAC, Tom Slear-Coach NAAC and Raymond Brown-NBAC.

(PASSED)

Administrative Vice-chairman:

1. Per John, Sheryl has completed the Committee Position descriptions.

Senior Vice-chairman: No report

Age Group Vice-chairman:

1. John Burke reported on the approved changes to the Eastern Zone Short Course Zone meet. There are now qualifying times for this meet and each

LSC may send any and all swimmers who achieve the qualifying times (TBD) in the absence of any qualifiers each LSC may send 2 swimmers for each event. There was open discussion regarding MSI's participation in this meet in 2007.

Motion: That MSI will field a team for the 2007 EZ Short Course meet
(PASSED)

2. There was open discussion regarding how large the team would be, how & when the team would be selected and how much funding will be provided to support the team. The following motions resulted from this discussion.

Motion: MSI's team selection will be based solely on the meet qualifying times, if you make the cut you go. However, if there are events where MSI has no qualifiers we will not send anyone.

(PASSED)

Motion: Swimmers who have achieved a meet qualifying time(s) and who want to attend the 2007 EZ Short Course meet must apply to attend the meet by the end of the MD State Championship meet.

(PASSED)

Motion: The MSI BOD will decide how much funding is to be allocated for the SC Zone Team. It is expected to be handled in essentially the same manner as the summer LC zone team.

(PASSED)

Treasurer:

1. Jamie presented the cash balance sheet to the HOD as well as the income and expense statements for the current FY. Jamie let the HOD know that to date we have been pretty conservative to increase our cash flow and that our position is quite good.
2. Jamie presented the FY 07 budget with two different options. Option 1 was presented showing a decrease in income from meet fees. Currently, MSI collects 20% of all meet fees from meet hosts. A reduction to 15% is proposed to allow us to return some of the funding back to the clubs. Option 2 was presented with no reduction in revenue but an increase in the National meet stipend(s) available to teams who have swimmers qualifying and swimming at Nationals. There was much discussion about these two options and a combination of the two. Jamie felt that both Options could be done but may cause us to operate at a moderated loss for the year.

Motion: To pass the budget leaving meet fees at 20% but increase the National meet reimbursements.

(FAILED)

Motion: To accept the budget with a reduction in meet fees that MSI collects to 15% AND to increase the national meet reimbursement to \$425/swimmer for Jr. Nationals and \$650/swimmer for US Open and Sr. Nationals.

(PASSED)

Some additional discussion took place regarding how to offset the possible budget deficit and one area that was discussed was the new Grant Program. A motion was made and seconded to drop the Grant Program but it was withdrawn after some additional discussion.

Secretary: No report

III. Committee Reports:

Technical Planning/Sanctions:

1. Tom reports that he and Chris have been working on several projects this year including revising the swim meet bid form, sanction form and designing a meet notice template for all to use. They also have been working on reviewing and revising the MSI Meet procedures. Since the revision of the meet procedures was just recently posted online, all discussion regarding this issue will be tabled until the October BOD meeting to give the Board adequate time to review them.
2. Several proposals were presented and discussed regarding our meet entry procedures.

Motion: A meet host team may choose which method by which they will accept entries and note the requirements in the meet notice

(PASSED)

Motion: All teams hosting a meet will email results or post results of their meet on their website within 24 hours of meet completion.

(PASSED)

Motion: All teams hosting a meet shall provide all participating teams (who provide a contact e-mail address) with a timeline of all sessions and warm-up assignments at least 72 hours before the start of the meet.

(PASSED)

Motion: A meet host team will provide a confirmation e-mail within 24 hours to any participating teams who provide a contact e-mail address. In addition the host team will provide a hy-tek entry report of their entries at least 72 hours prior to the entry deadline.

(FAILED)

Membership/Registration/Club Development:

1. Pat Kaplan was unable to attend but she provided a written report to the house. It is attached.

Coaches Rep: No Report

Athletes Rep: No report

Officials:

1. Don Smith presented a written report prepared by himself and Chris Pulley, it is attached

Top 16/MD Top 5/Records:

1. As of May 2006 there are 27 new NAG records in both SC & LC that are held by MD swimmers.
2. There have been 54 new Resident records and 50 new Area records
3. There will be a Seasonal progression of records broken posted in addition to the records listing.

Safety: No Report

Open Water/Distance Camps: No report

Adaptive: No report

Equipment:

1. 2 new sets of radios were purchased this year
2. All the timing equipment was upgraded and new cabling purchased
3. We have been able to save some money by refurbishing the timing pads instead of buying new ones and they are working well.

Outreach: No report

Zone Team Coach/Manager:

1. Donna reports there was a problem with the vendor for the jackets from the Championship meet. They were just ordered in May, we will be changing vendors.

Awards: No report

Webmaster: No report

Hall of Fame: No report

IV. Old Business: None

V. New Business:

1. John brought up a need to have a fall meeting of the HOD for the specific purpose of developing a Mission Statement and to set some short and long term goals for the LSC.

Motion: To hold a House of Delegates meeting for the purpose of Strategic planning for the LSC on the open meet weekend in October.

(PASSED)

Motion to adjourn at 3:45PM