

**MARYLAND SWIMMING
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
November 6, 2003**

Meeting was called to order at 7pm.

Directors Present: John Ferrari, Sheryl Lepisto, Pat Kaplan, Debbie Sakell, Peter LaGow, Chad Cradock, Tom Himes, Chris Kaplan, Chris Gibeau, Chris Pulley, Don Smith, Roger Weinberg, Brendan McElroy, Kim Easterday, Karen Cooper-Coleman, Joe Richardson, Michael Brooks, David Collier and Donna Considine

Others Present: Grace Ratliff and Jeff Scrivener

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Administrative Vice Chairman- Sheryl Lepisto –

- Requested required bylaw provisions from national
- Initial review of MSI bylaws underway
- Task force being set up

Treasurer- Jamie Cahn –

- Submitted financial statements

Age Group Chairman- Michael Brooks –

- Suggested putting together a “Best Practices” for coaches. This would be mailed, emailed and/or placed on the website. The idea was warmly embraced.

Senor Chairman – Chad Cradock

- Poll coaches re arranging for sectional “team hotel” for MSI clubs

Registration- Pat Kaplan –

- Update on pre and post meet reporting, number of problems
- Registration statistics

Officials- Chris Pulley & Don Smith –

- Report from LSC Chair meeting
- Proposed change to MD Swim scratch rules re declared false starts

Technical Planning- Tom Himes & Chris Kaplan

- LSC Championship meet: 3/18 – 3/21, the week before Sectionals
- NBAC Mini-meet will be pushed back one week
- Meet format suggestions
- Time standards are almost done. They are fairly close to prior years.

Webmaster- No report

Awards and Swim-a-Thon – No report

Open Water/Distance/Camps - No report

NTV- No report

Records - Debbie Sakell -

- Creating new award pins and certificates for state record breakers
- Include 2001- Current records in program
- There were 2 new area records

Safety- Kim Easterday – No report

Adaptive Swimming - No report

Coaches Rep – No report

Hall of Fame –

- Event scheduled for December 11
- Considering changing process: Set up criteria for eligibility, accept nominations to set up ballot list, committee to vote on nominees, nominees to remain on list for 3 years

Athlete Reps – David Collier

- Lightly attended Athlete's meeting.
- Presented Tom with some ideas for the LSC Championship meet

Outreach – Brendon McElroy

- Working with City of Baltimore to host a city meet, clinic and other ways to gain exposure
- Possibility of MD Swim hosting Outreach meet
- Looking at outreach opportunities in coming years (i.e.: S. Africa)
- Some discussion of MD Swim helping to host either entirely or as a dual site the Martin Luther King Swim Meet

Club Development – No report

Equipment- Peter LaGow

- Requested a copy of the budget to plan for equipment purchases.
- Repair kit is now supplied with the equipment containing a tester, pump, and assorted repair items for pads and harnesses.

Old Business - none

New Business

Motion to adjourn made and approved at 8:45 PM.