

MINNESOTA SWIMMING, INC.
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
Minutes 18 April 2006

Approved as Amended 06/20/06

Executive Board: Paul Lundsten, Age Group Vice Chair
Present: Olga Espinoza, Sr Coach Representative
Absent: David Braun, General Chair
Neil Mahoney, Senior Athlete Rep.

David Goble, Admin. Vice Chair
Al Ness, Finance Vice Chair
Dennis Dale, Sr Vice Chair

Directors: Eric Seversen, Jr Coach Representative
Present: Rick Biggs, Officials Chair
Kathy Czuprynski, Safety Coordinator
Absent: Junior Athlete Rep - Open

Rocky O'Neill, Technical Planning Chair
Gail Andersen, Secretary
Bob Pearson, Ex-Officio

Standing Cmte

Chairs: Cassy Shapley, Registration/Membership
Present: Rocky O'Neill, Time Standards Cmte Chair
Natalie Kuramoto, Nominating Cmte Chair
Absent: Sarah Stallkamp, Equipment Chair
Liz Cutter, Legislative Chair
Marlene Goblisch, Adaptive Swimming Chair
Sarah Solfelt, Outreach Committee Chair

Sheryl McGuire, Sanction Coordinator
Michael Bougie, NTV Chair
Paul Windrath, webmaster
Susan McNeely, State Records Chair
John Witzel, Board of Review Chair
Pat Anderson, Central Zone Cmte

Present: Billy Howard, MCA; Karen Stewart, ROC; Bob Peterson, HOP;
Kate Lundsten, AQJT; Rick Dunham, M3F; Ellen Youngers

1. Call to Order: 7:35 pm by Goble
Additions to Agenda none

2. Review of Minutes 2006-02-21

Andersen noted that the Safety Officer's printed report provided for distribution at the last meeting was not included in the minutes.

Action: Motion to Approve as Amended to include Safety Officer's Report: Goble; Second: Lundsten
Motion carried

3. NEW BUSINESS

3a. Proposed Legislation "Distribution of Board of Directors Meeting Information" (Goble)

Action: Motion to Adopt Legislation: Ness; Second: Biggs

Discussion:

Pearson: question about how to determine actual receipt of the email notices.

Shapley: noted that current practice is no receipt for fax or US mail notices. Information is posted on the website and mailed to every club contact.

Goble as author, deletes from proposed legislation: "It is requested that all people notified by e-mail confirm receipt by return e-mail."

Goble: noted that the ByLaws therefore need to be changed with a "housekeeping item" at the HoD next month. (See 616.1.5-B)

Action: Motion to Table Legislation Items 3a., 3b and 3c: Ness
Motion carried

3b. Proposed Legislation "Distribution of House of Delegates Meeting Information" (Goble)

3c. Proposed Legislation "Distribution Meet Information" (Goble)

Action: Motion to Endorse Legislation Items 3a, 3b and 3c via "housekeeping" at HoD: Pearson; second: Ness
Motion carried

3d. Proposed Legislation “No Registration Fines without Meet Recon” (Seversen)

Action: Motion to Adopt Legislation: Seversen; Second: Pearson

Discussion:

Seversen: Current procedure requires that the Meet Director ensure that a Recon Report of Membership status of entered swimmers has been performed and that it is available early enough for Coaches to register any un-registered entrants.

Seversen, as author: accepted friendly amendments and suggestions to split Legislation line items into separate motions as follows:

Part #1a) “Waive all ~~fees~~ fines assessed to clubs this past January meets due to un-registered swimmers.”

Part #1b) “Waive MSI’s right to fine clubs in the future if a Recon is not performed ~~for~~ before a meet.”

Discussion:

Biggs: noted that especially at Pre-C and dual meets, it would be the Host Club’s responsibility to do the Recon and if no Recon is done, then MSI would be unable to fine clubs for unregistered swimmers.

Action: to Adopt Legislation parts #1a and #1b as amended.

Motion carried

Seversen, as author: accepted friendly amendments and suggestions to split Legislation line items into separate motions as follows:

Part #2) “Institute a deck-registration surcharge of \$5 per swimmer as incentive to clubs to register their swimmers early. Surcharge to be designated to the MSI Outreach Fund.”

Discussion:

Shapley: proposed to increase the surcharge to act as more of a penalty.

O’Neill: indicated he believes the surcharge as proposed is adequate.

Action: to Adopt Legislation parts #2 as amended.

Motion carried

4. EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS

a. Administrative Vice Chair

(Goble)

- i.) GC Braun and Sr. Vice President Dale not present due to family emergencies.
- ii.) John Witzel will be working with Goble to complete the Policy (Red) Book.
- iii.) Goble will bring forward at HoD the housekeeping legislation noted earlier.

b. Age Group Vice Chair

(Lundsten)

- i.) Finals Meets Entry Deadline suggestions put forward.

Noted to apply to “Season-culminating championship meets.

- a. email entries due Wednesday of the week prior to the meet. (10 days out)
- b. payment and hardcopy proofs of time due Friday of the week prior to meet. (7 days out)
- c. updates and changes through Monday 2:00 pm the week of meet. Complete new file for the team.
- d. hardcopy of changed file with changes highlighted before meet begins.
- e. all money owed must be paid in full before the meet begins, including money for changes.

General Consensus of the Board to approve this suggested timeline.

c. Finance Vice Chair

(Ness)

- i.) Balance Sheet as of 31 March 2006. Noted that revenues are running about \$27K behind. Ness is expecting further splash fees revenue to be coming in.
- ii.) Proposed Budget for FY 06/07 will be submitted at HoD next month. Preliminary draft indicates committee line items to remain roughly the same. Overhead expenses expected to increase.

d. Senior Coach Representative

(Espinoza)

- i.) Expressed her thanks to Seversen for covering coaching Board position during her leave.

e. Junior Coach Representative

(Seversen)

- i.) Central Zone Meet Coaching Roster has been filled. Seversen and Espinoza will work on the assignments.

<u>e. Senior Athlete Representative</u>	no report	<u>h. General Chair</u>	no report
<u>h. Senior Vice Chair</u>	no report	<u>g. Junior Athlete Representative</u>	no report

5. DIRECTOR REPORTS

a. Technical Planning Chair no report

b. Officials Chair (Biggs)

- i.) Current Minnesota certified officials: 39 Referees; 23 Starters; 106 Stroke/Turn Judges; 31 trainees.
- ii.) Training for current Stroke/Turn officials is planned for 29 April. Over 60 participants are expected.

c. Ex Officio no report

(It was pointed out by others that Macalester Swimming Men’s and Women’s teams both received top academic honors in the MIAC and that Pearson was selected as Coach of the Year of MIAC)

d. Safety Coordinator (Czuprynski)

Safety Training for Swim Coaches classes are offered every two months. Next class will be 4 June.

6. STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

a. National Times Verification (Bougie)

- i.) YMCA swimming organization has adopted technical rules of USA Swimming beginning September 2006.
- ii.) SWIMS data base is now “live” as of 12 April with up to date results.

b. Registration/Membership Cmte (Shapley)

- i.) Athlete membership of 5549 is up 180 over YTD 2005.
- i.) Non-Athlete membership of 547 is down 9 from YTD 2005.
- iii.) Club Charters of 62 is down 4 from YTD 2005.

m. Central Zone Committee (Ness)

Budget has not been established.

<u>c. Sanction Coordinator</u>	no report	<u>d. Board of Review</u>	no report
<u>e. Equipment Committee</u>	no report	<u>j. Webmaster</u>	no report
<u>f. Adaptive Swimming Committee</u>	no report	<u>k. Outreach Committee</u>	no report
<u>g. Time Standards Committee</u>	no report	<u>l. State Records Committee</u>	no report
<u>h. Nominating Committee</u>	no report	<u>i. Legislative Committee</u>	no report
<u>n. Public Relations Committee</u>	no report		

7. Unfinished Business none

8. New Business:

- i.) Pearson opened discussion on Safety training classes, inquiring whether a policy could be developed to allow clubs to have private courses on their own schedule. also brought up was whether a system of fixed price or negotiated fees should be instituted with such a policy.
- ii.) AVC Goble noted the application information for the Vacant Junior Athlete Rep position.

9. Adjournment

Action: Motion to Adjourn 9:03 pm: Severson; second: Lundsten

Motion Carried

Respectfully submitted,
Gail S. Andersen, Secretary