

**Executive Board:** Paul Lundsten, Age Group Vice Chair  
Present: Olga Espinoza, Sr Coach Rep  
Absent: Katie Wind, Senior Athlete Rep.  
David Braun, General Chair

Dennis Dale, Sr Vice Chair  
Vacant, Finance Vice Chair  
David Goble, Admin. Vice Chair

**Directors:** Bob Pearson, Ex-Officio  
Present: Rick Biggs, Officials Chair  
Absent: none Matt Chida, Junior Athlete Rep - Vacant  
Kathy Czuprynski, Safety Coordinator

Gail Andersen, Secretary  
Rocky O'Neill, Technical Planning Chair  
Eric Seversen, Jr Coach Representative

**Standing Cmte Chairs** Cassy Shapley, Registration/Membership  
Present: John Witzel, Board of Review Chair  
Rocky O'Neill, Time Standards Cmte Chair  
Absent: Sarah Stallkamp, Equipment Chair  
Marlene Fure, Adaptive Swimming Chair  
Sarah Solfelt, Outreach Committee Chair  
Liz Cutter, Legislative Chair

Sheryl McGuire, Sanction Coordinator  
Natalie Kuramoto, Nominating Cmte Chair

Paul Windrath, Webmaster  
Pat Anderson, Central Zone Cmte  
Susan McNeely, State Records Chair  
Michael Bougie, NTV Chair

**Others Present:** Ryan L'Roy, TWIN; Billy Howard, MCA;

**1. Call to Order:** 7:30 pm by AG Vice Chair Lundsten (quorum not present)  
Additions to Agenda: none

## 2. EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS

a. Age Group Vice Chair (Lundsten)

- i.) 2007-08 Meet Schedule for Bidding Proposed Draft for discussion only. Meet Schedule will be formally presented at the January BoD for approval at the February BoD.
- ii.) Note that non-zoned bid weekends are all available for invitationals.
- iii.) Summer 2008 Speedo Sectionals will not be in Mpls. Nationals and Jr. Nationals will be in Mpls, precluding the U of Mn pool for LC State Meet. Also, MegaZone Meet at IUPUI will begin on the following Thursday but it is undetermined if Open water will precede the meet on Wednesday or follow the meet on Monday.

b. Finance Report (Lundsten)

- i.) Balance Sheet through 31 October 2006 was distributed.

c. General Chair no report

d. Administrative Vice Chair no report

e. Senior Coach Representative no report

f. Senior Athlete Representative no report

g. Senior Vice Chair no report

h. Junior Coach Representative no report

i. Junior Athlete Representative no report

## 3. DIRECTOR REPORTS

a. Officials Chair (Biggs)

- i.) Referee and Starter clinic held on 4 November had about 30 attendees.
- ii.) FOXJ Meet in January is approved for National Certification Observations and Evaluations.
- iii.) Forty officials remain not having completed the online tests due 1 October. Officials Committee will meet 5 December to review status of these officials.
- iv.) Five Minnesota Officials will be on deck for the US Open at Purdue. Michael Bougie and Janet Brainard are assigned as Chief Judges.

b. Ex Officio no report

c. Technical Planning Chair no report

d. Safety Coordinator no report

## 4. STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

a. Registration/Membership Cmte (Shapley)

- i.) Background Check period for Minnesota Swimming is still not known. Coaches may file for background checks only during the open dates prior to and during the designated period. New cards will be issued for those coaches completing the background check applications.

b. National Times Verification (Bougie - written report submitted)

i.) All meets from this fall have been loaded. Not all of the swims have been cleared from the holding tank, because I am waiting for on-deck registrations. Plus, observed meets have been loaded that failed to have USA Swimming IDs, which makes the processing of the holding tank very tedious.

c. Board of Review (Witzel)

i.) One matter has been decided in a written opinion.

d. Central Zone Meet Committee (Lundsten)

i.) Team Manager has been selected.

e. Nominating Committee (Kuramoto)

i.) Positions up for Election in April include: General Chair, Sr. Vice Chair, Finance Vice Chair, Secretary, Jr. Athlete Rep., Safety Officer, Technical Planning Chair, Officials Chair and Jr. Coach Rep. The Nominating Committee is seeking potential candidates for re-election and from individuals seeking nomination for the above positions by 1 March 2007.

ii.) Inquiry regarding nominations for Convention Delegate Alternates. Staff will review legislation and By-Laws.

f. Webmaster no report

k. April 2007 Swimposium no report

g. Equipment Committee no report

l. Outreach Committee no report

h. Adapted Swimming Committee no report

m. State Records Committee no report

i. Time Standards Committee no report

n. Sanction Coordinator no report

j. Public Relations Committee no report

o. Legislative Committee no report

## Quorum Present 7:50 pm

### 5. NEW BUSINESS

#### A. Proposed 2007 Calendar

i.) Proposed amendment: No April meeting. Business may be conducted at HoD on 28 April.

ii.) Proposed amendment: Move November meeting to 27 Nov.

iii.) Board of Review Chair selection now required by ByLaws to be before 1 September, not following the HoD meeting.

Action: Motion to Approve the Calendar as Amended: by Pearson; Second: Czyprynski

Motion carried none opposed

#### B. Proposed Legislation "Champ is a Champ" (Lundsten)

Action: Motion to Adopt Legislation: "For all Finals Meets, (State, A/B Finals and C Finals) a swimmer must swim at the highest level they have achieved in an event, no matter what the Course." Lundsten; Second: Pearson

Discussion: Concern about swimmers at A/B Finals Meets entering events for which they have a higher level time standard in meters or yards (non-conforming) course.

Should these swimmers be barred from participation or be entered as "exhibition" in order to achieve entry times but not be allowed to place in the meets?

Swimmers entering non-conforming times at State Meet are automatically placed in the first (slowest) heats by rule. (USA-S 207.12.11B). Some coaches feel this seeding does not give swimmers the best competition at State Meet and therefore seek to achieve conforming times at prior qualifying Finals Meets.

Could "converted times" be allowed for entry at State Meet if a common conversion system could be developed?

Action: Motion to Postpone to January Meeting: by Andersen; Second: Pearson

Motion carried none opposed

### 6. Review of Minutes Draft for Approval 2006-11-28

i.) 6. Directors' Reports a.) Officials Chair iii)

should read "...deadline. About 70% ~~have~~ have not completed on-line tests...."

ii.) 7. Standing Committee Reports c.) National Times Verification i.) should read "Name of Meet in MM should conform to "2006 MN xxx" Meet name. The meet name in MM should be of the form yyyy MN xxx Meet name where yyyy is the 4 digit year and xxx is the club abbreviation. For example, 2006 MN HASA A/B/C HASA Harvest Open."

Action: Motion to Approve Minutes as Amended: by Andersen; Second: Pearson

Motion carried none opposed

### 7. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

a.) Policy Manual

(Witzel)

i.) Various sections are under review by Board Members.

### 8. Adjournment

Action: Motion to Adjourn 8:20 pm: Pearson; Second: Seversen

Motion Carried none opposed

Respectfully submitted,

Gail S. Andersen, Secretary

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BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

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