

# ASCA-MN Coaches Meeting Minutes

December 7, 2005

11am, U Garden Restaurant

*Coaches Present: Denise Carlson (President), Dennis Dale, Joe Hanes, Billy Howard, Jake Kramer, Lloyd Larson, Ryan L'Roy, Kate Lundsten, Paul Lundsten (Treasurer), Kim Olson, Eric Seversen (Recorder), Olga Splichalova, Steve Varney, Tina Welzien*

*Guests Present: Dave Braun*

## **Zone Coaches Update:**

- Eric Seversen and Olga Splichalova (Junior and Senior Coach Reps, respectively) reported on status of head zone coach position and discussed with ASCA the task of filling the assistant coaching staff ranks.
  - Pat Anderson will not be head coach due to conflict with Junior Championships unless his swimmer qualifies for Nationals
  - ASCA, Dave Braun endorses coach reps' responsibility of selecting both Head Coach and the roster of assistants

## **Meet Schedule (in 2 parts):**

### **Fall-Winter 2006-7:**

- Paul Lundsten handed out scheduling committee's proposed schedule for ASCA review
  - Dropped 1 ABC weekend over course of season
  - Blocked invites on weekend of Oct 21-22
  - Changed January thru February A meet...Made 1<sup>st</sup> weekend in January an Invite,
- Concern that Jan 27-28 meet weekend may conflict with boys H.S. true team sections...to be looked into
- Kim Olson made a motion to remove block on invite weekend—Rejected (1 Yes, 12 No, 1 Abstain)
- No other objections so ASCA supports proposed schedule with expectation that true team weekend will be investigated

### **Spring-Summer 2007:**

- Paul Lundsten handed out proposed schedule that contained 2 options:
  - Option 1 is our current summer championship format
  - Option 2 is a split State Champs—Separate 15 & Over State Champs and 14 & Under State Champs, combine 12 & Under C Finals into current AB/C Finals to create all-age groups ABC Finals
    - Initial proposal outlined 4 zone ABC Finals in SCY, motion to pursue 3 zone ABC Finals in LCM
  - Vote supported Option 2 (11 For, 2 Against, 1 Abstain) with 3 zones of LC ABC Finals
- Discussion of remainder of season:
  - University of MN Aquatic Center is not available June 16-17 so scheduled A meet was moved to June 2-3
  - All aspects of Spring-Summer season with exclusion of Championships segment approved
- Paul Lundsten will present Legislation at the January MSI BOD meeting per ASCA decisions

## **Rules Discussion—BC Open Relays:**

- Coaches who recall the Red Book in its glory days clarified the rule for the group:
  - A swimmer with an 'A' time or faster at any distance for a given stroke is not eligible to participate in a BC meet relay in that stroke
  - ASCA Recommends the following actions:
    - That this rule be announced during coaches meetings at BC meets
    - Coaches Reps to MSI report that future Meet Information include a copy of this rule
    - Coaches who know the rules should take initiative to discuss pertinent rules and interpretation with fellow coaches who are in violation in a non-confrontational manner
    - The Red Book be made available in its current form so that MSI as a whole can work to improve upon it to current rules & standards

## **Discussions:**

- Brief discussion of current level of Swim Fees acceptance and rationale of new fees structure
- Brief discussion of "swimming up" kids into higher age groups

Next meeting Wednesday, January 4, 2006, 11am @ Campus Pizza, Back Room

*Respectfully Submitted,  
Eric Seversen*