

House of Delegates Meeting
September 9, 2009
Teleconference Meeting

The meeting was called to order at 8:10 pm. The following delegates and officers were in attendance:

John Kinney	Luanne Aakhus	Jim Patterson	John Julien
John McGough	Rick Klatt	Shauna Rhea	Ray Hoffman
Susan Miller	Duane Wright		

The Treasurer's report was submitted (Re: submitted report). A clarification was made regarding the item listed for caps which go into the All Star items for \$840.77. Items for Zone revenue and expenses are higher on Treasurer's report due to items not reported.

The budget for Officials' clinic not included.

An approval for the Treasurer's report was not made due to the yearend statement which will be submitted at the next HOD meeting.

Officers Reports

President

John Kinney reported that CCS would be sending a full delegation to the USA Swimming Convention in Chicago, September 15-19, 2009. The delegates will concentrate on the interests of CCS

Riptide has turned back a scheduled meet, scheduled for October 10, 2009. John Mc Gough requested the meet be hosted by Clovis Swim Club. The IMX format will be kept. A rough draft for the meet will be submitted by 9/15. Rick Klatt motioned to give Clovis the meet. It was seconded and carried.

John Kinney thanked past chairs for their leadership in the CCS HOD.

Vice Chair

No report

Sr. Vice Chair

John stated they expect a lot of discussion regarding the Western Zone Senior Championships. This year in Hawaii, there was only 30 participants. Many senior level coaches indicated an inability to support this meet and USA Swimming was aware of the number of coaches not planning to attend.

Age Group Vice Chair

2009 Zone Meet: The meet went well. Southern Cal (CA), Sierra Nevada (SN), and Pacific (PC) did not participate. CCS tied for 9th with only 17 athletes. There was a total of 139 swims, with 136 demonstrating improved times. The CCS athletes participated in the open water competition. Total expenditures are listed in the Treasurer's report. The total was under budget, spending only about \$1000 more than last year.

Next year's meet is TBA. San Jose cannot host the meet as scheduled. Pacific has requested the meet but there are issues with the PC Bid. Possible sites have been mentioned at Redding and in CCS. No bids have been placed for 2011.

The Western Zone IMX Championship meet will be held at Brophy East in Arizona. This is an individual team and family meet for 11 and over athletes. John Kinney asked where this meet originated. Duane reported that USA Swimming originated this meet. The meet will be held in 4 zones and results pooled to name National Champions. A concern was stated regarding the IMX meet and naming National Champions for age group participants. The psychological impact of naming an age group participant would be brought forward to the Age Group Development Chair.

It was requested that the Convention Delegates submit reports to be placed on the website.

Coaches Report

No Report

Membership

Membership in CCS is very good, citing an Olympic year boost. Jim made two proposals regarding membership fees coming in December. (1) Increase transfer fees from \$1.00 to \$5.00; (2) to have a tiered structure for clubs submitting memberships before December 31 and for those submitting after December. Jim suggested a fee of \$100 be assessed to clubs submitting memberships prior to December and \$150 assessed to clubs submitting after December. Rick Klatt motioned to change the transfer fees as stated by Jim. It was seconded and carried. Shauna Rhea motioned to have a tiered structure fee for team membership fees based on dates submitted. It was seconded and carried.

Athlete's Representative Report

Shauna Rhea read the report submitted by Sam Hansen (Re: Athletes' Rep report). Sam reported the inconsistent enforcement of the 3 point entry at sectionals and should be relaxed at senior level meets. He noted a lack of supervision at the warm up pool at Clovis North during sectionals. Luanne Aakhus noted the level of compliance was equal to or better than the compliance to the feet first entry rule enforcement. He also mentioned the concerns of CCS athletes regarding the one day meet format, giving athletes less opportunity to obtain qualifying times and limited participation. Sue Miller commented on the problem of athletes who age up and the limited opportunity to participate in distance events prior to JO's. John Kinney suggested that Technical support look at this stated concern to give opportunity to athletes to participate in distance events. Jim Patterson noted the 4 hour rule may affect decisions made regarding one day formats.

John Kinney noted the exceptional qualities demonstrated by Sam as a participant in the HOD, particularly the responsible manner in which he has carried out his duties as Athlete's rep. He will be attending the Convention in Chicago.

Sactions Chair

No Report. Hanford created a template for meet invitations.

Officials Chair

The clinic was well attended. The presentations were very good and informative. Presenters were Mary Flatman, Sue and Jerry Renna, Rene and Jim Patterson, and Christy Rocca. 15 were no shows after confirmations were made. The certification rules for CCS officials are in place and will be enforced. Officials must work 4 meets in CCS per year, attend at least 1 clinic per year and be current with USA Swimming testing certification. Officials have web access to their current status. Club Official reps have access to their team's official's current status.

Travel Report

Report submitted (RE: Travel Report). Year to date expenditures are \$14,800 of a \$20,000 budget. Discrepancies noted between Treasurers report and travel report at a listing of \$17,200, which may be due to reporting date differences.

JK suggested that a discussion be held regarding the amounts of travel funds allocated for meets in relationship to the costs of attending meets, citing the expense of attending Jr. and Open in Federal Way, WA.

Duane noted the negative funding report for August 31.

Records /Top Ten

Shauna Rhea reported records and top 10 are updated through Junior Nationals, Western Zones, Open and JO's. Top swimmer awards will be awarded at SCJO's and will be awarded to single age groups. It was suggested that nominations be submitted by September 30. Shauna suggested that certificates and pins be sent in mail to coaches/clubs instead of being handed out at SCJO's.

Coach of the year was not awarded. It was not organized and submitted. Shauna suggested the coaches get nominations and make award.

New records were achieved at Junior Nationals and at Zones.

Scheduling Chair

A new chair is needed for this position.

Safety

A motion was made to require all hosts of meets to provide evacuation plans to meet officials, coaches and be posted. A discussion on the issue was held. A motion to move forward on the agenda was made and carried.

New Business

Nomination Committee has brought forward a slate of candidates. Shauna Rhea was added to the committee.

General Chair: John Kinney

Treasurer: John Julien

Secretary: Luanne Aakhus

Officials Chair: Jim Patterson

A new nomination committee will be named at the November meeting.

Jim Patterson requested guidance on the issue of late fee charges. He noted arbitrary assessments by clubs. Website charges are assessed according to rules set up in meet invitation. A discussion was held regarding the issue. No changes were made.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:27 pm. The next meeting will be held in Tulare on November 11, 2009 at 8:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted

Luanne Z. Aakhus
Secretary.