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Adirondack LSC 2006 Fall Meeting
House of Delegates
October 1, 2006

Members Present: See Attached

The meeting was called to order by the General Chairman at 11:00am.

The 2006 Spring Minutes were accepted with the following change: for the Board of Review report the minutes will be changed to read "No action pending"

Reports

Treasurers Report: (See attached P&L) Report accepted as written. The report included the period 9/1/05-8/31/06. Total income was \$179,558.18 and total expenses were \$172,638.80.

Registration: (See attached 2005-2006 report) Report accepted. 1,931 athletes, 1,773 for the total year, 85 registered as "other", 120 coaches, 85 officials. There were 36 teams registered. We have 6 teams registered to date for 2007, with 529 athletes, 7 "other", 13 coaches and 8 officials.

Administrative Vice Chairman: The tentative AD 2006-2007 Short Course schedule was distributed. Some changes noted were: Hawks meet December 9-10 will be held at Ravena High School, the Starfish Trophy Meet will be held at RPI, the Chris Goody Meet may have a second day added. The week of January 14th still remains open for a meet. The report was accepted.

Board of Review: No matters pending as reported.

Officials Chair: AD currently has 85 officials, 60 are estimated to be active. There will be a clinic on October 8th at Ravena High School. JoAnn is following up with the new recertification procedures for N2

and N3 officials. This certification is important if officials would like to work national meets. The report was accepted.

Safety Chair: No matters pending as reported. The Safety Chair reminded team to send a copy of occurrence reports to both USA Swimming and AD Swimming. He also reminded teams hosting meets that they must comply with the host facility's safety standards.

Top 16/Records: 7 AD records were broken during the 2006 Long Course Season. We had 1 swimmer place in the top 16 in 2 events. Report was accepted.

Athlete Representative: FINA is now forcing swimmers who participate in FINA sponsored meets to wear bibs and caps with advertisements on them. There will not be any 4x50 relays at Nationals this will be consistent with the format of international meets. The two AD Swimmer representatives will volunteer for Special Olympics. They would also like suggestions as they search for other possible volunteer opportunities. The report was accepted.

Coaches Representative: The report was accepted. Teams will be asked to notify AD when a coach is no longer affiliated with their team. The coach's status will then be changed to "unattached". More opportunities will be offered for CPR recertification. Rob is looking into possibly offering the classes at meets. All coaches must wear their credentials while on deck at meets. JoAnn Faucett will get lanyards and Kathy Furman will laminate cards for each coach. Rob is looking into the possibility of having a Swimposium next fall. Jerry suggested he look into the possibility of United States Swimming sponsoring the event. Rob would like to have some local coaches participate in the event. There will be an AD Coaches meeting as well as a Technical Planning Committee meeting to discuss this matter. Rob is also looking into the possibility of having a swim clinic during the short course season. The week of January 14th remains open on the AD calendar.

Age Group Chair: AD sent 22 swimmers to summer zones. The Eastern zone will not use cut-off time for short course zones this year. Report was accepted.

Senior Swimming Chair: All 2007 times are posted under the Eastern Zone Link from the AD site.

Stipends were reviewed for athletes and coaches sending athletes to national meets. Currently AD reimburses the following: Speedo Championships: \$200/athlete, \$0/coach; JRS and US Open: \$400/individual athlete, \$0/coach and relay only swimmers; Senior Nationals and Olympic Trials: \$400/athlete, \$0/coach and individual swimmer. AD proposed the following reimbursement policy:

Speedo Championships

Reimbursement for swimmers who compete in **individual events**

Swimmer who competes 1 day \$100

Swimmer who competes 2 days \$200

Coach \$100

Junior National and US Open

Swimmers competing in individual events may be reimbursed up to \$600 for documented travel expenses

Relay only swimmers may be reimbursed up to \$150

Coaches \$200

US Nationals and Olympic Trials

Swimmers competing in individual events may be reimbursed up to \$800 for documented travel expenses

Relay only swimmers may be reimbursed up to \$250

Coaches \$250

USA and Eastern Zone Select Camps

Swimmers selected for these camps may be reimbursed for up to \$200 for travel expenses not covered by USA Swimming

This change in reimbursement will emphasize the LSC's commitment to Senior Swimming.

The reimbursement policy was approved by unanimous vote.

Technical Planning:

The district's Short Course Championship Meet Regulation/ Procedure Policy were distributed. Changes to current practice were bolded on the policy. Some of these changes included:

- 3 Lanes available during warm-up for circle swimming
- Gold Championships must be held in deep water if available with dual lane lines
- Results should be posted each evening on either the host website and/or the AD website
- There should be a coach/official hospitality area, in lieu of this, credentialed coaches should be provided lunch daily
- 11-12 200's of fly, back and breast and all 400IM, 500 FR and 1650 Frees will be swum as timed finals. All heats of the 1650's and 11-12 500s will be swum during prelim sessions. The fastest heat of 11-12 200's stroke, 13-14 and Senior 400 IM and 500 frees will be swum at finals.
- A swimmer may ENTER more than 3 events/day but they may only SWIM only 3 individual events. The additional events must be scratched prior to the start of the session

A proposal was made that "AA" times or faster achieved at Silver Championships would not be included in the high point calculation. This proposal was approved.

News from the National Convention:

- There will no longer be 200 relays in National Meets
- USA Swimming adopted a new calendar which designates September – December the Short Course season. Our LSC will not follow this calendar.

Old Business:

The Eastern Zone has adopted their new bylaws so our local committee can start working on updating our AD bylaws. Susan Kopp will be collecting policies for inclusion in the AD Policy Manual. The policies will also be posted on the AD website.

Unregistered swimmers who swam in a meet during the short course season paid the \$200 fine levied on them by AD Swimming.

New Business:

Two new teams have petitioned for inclusion in AD Swimming. The teams for consideration are the Sea Monkey Aquatic Club from Southern Ulster County and the SUNY Institute of Technology Wildcat Aquatic Club from the Utica area. Both teams were approved.

There will be an Open Water event June 30th and July 1st at Lake George. This is a professional and amateur event with races ranging in distance from 1/2K to 5K for the amateurs and 40k for the professionals.

Long Course Championships were opened for bid. The Clinton Cudas were the only team to bid for the meet. The Clinton Cudas will be hosting the 2007 Long Course Championships.

A motion was made to allow any USA recognized relay take-off or time trial to qualify a swimmer for winter zones. This motion was approved.

The AD registrar reported that at the USA Swimming national convention it was voted that teams will have to start doing background checks on their coaching staff. This program will begin this year with 5-8 teams initially and then continue with 5-8 teams being added every 4-6 weeks. Coaches can carryout this process through the USA Swimming website where they will be asked to answer questions and submit the form. This program will include all coaches, non-athletes and board members. There will be a \$20/person fee for this program and it must be done every two years.

Unregistered Swimmers – A policy was proposed to address the great number of unprocessed athletes who register for meets in the fall. It was proposed that AD levy a \$25/swimmer fee for athletes who reject in a pre-meet recon because he/she is unregistered. The athlete will remain unregistered until the fine, registration fee, transfer

fee (if applicable), and paperwork are submitted to the AD registrar.
The policy was approved.

Rob MacLeod has been named a Fellow in ASCA for this region.

The meeting was adjourned at 1pm. The spring meeting will be held
on May 19th at 10am.