

Adirondack House of Delegates Meeting

Oct 11, 2015

Duanesburg Area Community Center

Attendees:

Julia Samson	Steve Johnson	Matt Phillips
Joey Homan	Jan Herrick	Lindsey Bailey
Michele Boxley	Rob MacLeod	Greg Paradis
Bill Faucett	Carl Hart	Chuck Dunham
JoAnn Faucett	John Fitzmaurice	Jill Doyle
Alison Vitullo	Denise Murphy McGraw	Connor Doyle
Debbie Erickson	Hannah Dougherty	Jarrett O'Donnell
Jenn Nelson	Allison Busseno	Allie Dixon
Jenn Dixon	Julianna Busseno	Walt Dixon
Natalie Morse	Kate Gawrys	Paul Crandell
Jodi Bedson	Steve Trembley	Chris Lupi
Keara Bedson	Jenna Trembley	

Minutes from spring BOD mtg were reviewed and approved.
Agenda was approved.

Treasurer's report: Alison Vitullo

- Variances are mainly due to timing of deposits and withdrawals.
- Lower than usual travel expenses, due to fewer USA mtgs/workshops and lower attendance.
- Checking account high, but USA swimming has yet to make withdrawal of \$42K for registrations and still need to reimburse 20 swimmers for high level meets (\$7600).
- Taxes were filed on time in May.
- Financial report for next meeting will be based on fiscal year instead of rolling 12 months.
- Report was approved.

Outreach: Carolyn Manor (presented by JoAnn Faucett)

- For the 2014-15 SC season AD awarded grants to 26 applicants from 19 families from 8 different clubs. 3 athletes from 3 teams were awarded LC grants.
- Applications for the 2015-2016 short course season are being processed and will be reviewed at the October 24th deadline.

- A reminder to club registrars and head coaches that Head Coach Reports, found on the Outreach page of the AD website, are required to be submitted at the end of each season in order for grant applicants to be considered for subsequent seasons.
- AD currently has 21 outreach members.
- One Coach and two athletes were selected from AD to attend the 2015 Diversity Summit and Camp at The University of Maryland in June. They were Coach Rossi Maldonado and athletes Steven Yu and Belen Marriaga. Participants reported that it was a great experience.
- AD outreach clinic delayed until spring due to delay in acquiring pool time.
- Report was approved.

Registrar's Report: Ann Korzun

- 2015 final statistics for AD: 2822 members (2485 athletes) and 32 clubs.
- 2016 YTD registrations: 1026 athletes, 54 non-athletes and 8 clubs.
- Swim Strong Aquatics Club changed name to Raging Mountain Rapids.
- New online registration software for clubs is coming in the fall of 2016.
- New online payment from clubs to AD will be available soon.
- Athletes can be registered without birth certificate but have a "restricted membership" until birth certificate is received.
- Non-athlete: APT can be renewed anytime during the calendar year and expiration date will be 12/31 two years later. There is a new APT renewal course that only takes 30 minutes.
- There is just one level for Background checks now. New is \$36.50 and renewal is \$18. The BGC's are taking longer so don't wait until the end of the month to renew.
- Clubs should make sure all their coaches' and non-athletes certifications are up to date.
- Report was approved

Age Group Chair's Report: Jenn Nelson

- 29 athletes from AD traveled to Richmond, VA for LC Zones.
- Jen Dixon did a fabulous job as head coach. There was also 4 new coaches on deck: Maggie Callesano(Sharks), Dan Tanski (Starfish), Josh Jock (Tribes), Jody Fronheiser (Dolphins).
- SC Zones will be held March 24-26, 2016 in Webster. 2016 Summer Zones will be held in East Meadow, NY Aug 3-6.
- At USA Swimming convention talk about banning tech suits for 12-unders.
- Swim Today; program to promote and grow swimming. Clubs can sign up for kits online for recruiting and retention.
- New rule passed at convention: Swimmers can only wear 2 caps. Armbands and legbands are not allowed.

- SwimJitsu; inflatable obstacle course. www.Swimjitsu.com. They have teamed up with USA Swimming to help with recruiting and retention of swimmers.
- Guidelines for progressions for athlete development will soon be available from USA Swimming. They will tell coaches what they should be looking for at different levels.
- Report was approved

Safety Chair: Michele Boxley

- One incident in a warm-up pool.
- When a report is submitted, those involved will be contacted by USA Swimming directly.
- Report was passed.

Coaches Rep: Jenn Dixon

- No report
- Report was passed

Records Chair: Jenn Dixon

- Records were updated at end of LC season. A few additional updates were just sent in.
- Report was passed

Senior Vice Chair: Steve Hall

- In the spring will have both SC and LC Speedo meet. There will be a LC North and South meet but just one SC meet; all the same weekend; March 31- Apr 2, 2016. North LC meet will be in Buffalo and SC meet in Ithaca.
- Swimmers attending high level meets need to get their athlete reimbursements in on time.
- Report was passed.

Sanctions and Times: Bill Faucett

- Most bids came in during the summer. Meet schedule was up early.
- No new meets; one name change.
- Meet announcement; make sure you use new template.
- Swims now accepting times for mixed gender relays but has to be 2 males/2 females.
- Report passed.

Administrative Vice Chair: Sean Caron (presented by JoAnn Faucett)

- Leap 1 was successfully submitted and AD is recertified. It is valid for 4 years.
- Trying to get Leap 2 status. USA swimming will donate money to LSC if we get it. Completing LEAP 2 requires a program session with USA-S governance consultant and LEAP program administrator Jane Grosser
- There are a few changes to our by-laws as a result of the USA swimming convention.
- Report passed.

General Chair: JoAnn Faucett

- New rule passed at convention: An LSC paid employee can now be on a national committee.
- USA Swimming is concerned about water quality for Open water events at Olympics.
- NCAA now goes into Swims. Done by the colleges
- Olympic trials. 1400 athletes have already made it. 275 from EZ. Tickets are almost sold out.
- Weekend of April 23, 2016; USA Swimming workshops in Denver for Safe Sport Coordinator, Times Person, LSC Registrar and General Chair.
- USA website in process of getting updated. If you use search tool you might get old info.
- LSC can make patches for Deck pass.
- For swimmers switching teams, the 120 day rule starts the day following the last competition.
- Report passed.

Officials chair: JoAnn Faucett

- Held officials clinic Oct 10th; 17 attended.
- Teams have to recruit officials. Teams have to have 2 officials to host meets.
- Another clinic in Potsdam Oct 24th.
- Steve Johnson going to officials clinic in Denver.
- Report passed.

Safe Sport: Andre Paradis (presented by JoAnn Faucett)

- If having issues/concerns; it should be reported to LSC first before going to USA swimming.

Tech Planning: Jerry Adams (presented by Jenn Dixon)

- Changes to championship meet structure:

2016 Championship Meet Rotation:

- CPP – Yellow Qualifier
- ALBS – Blue Qualifier
- SCHE – AD Short Course Championships – RPI
- DELM – off year (to host Yellow Qualifier in 2017)

New Championship Meet Set-up:

In place of Silvers – 2 meets: **Yellow Qualifier and Blue Qualifier**

- To be held on the same weekend at 2 separate pools with 2 hosts.
- AD teams to be split based on number of participants in previous season's Silver Champs
 - o Teams may be re-assigned (voluntarily) after meet entry date to even out meets
- Friday Night 500 Free at one site at the Yellow Qualifier
 - o Later start – proposed 5:00 w/up, 5:45 start
- 3 sessions (11-12, 8-U/9-10/13-14/15-over) on Saturday and Sunday
- No team or individual point scoring

- This will be final 8-Under meet
- Medals 1-3 place individual and relay, Ribbons for 4-8 in individual events
- \$5.50 per individual event/\$9.00 relay
- Swimmer must have competed in 1 AD-sanctioned meet in 2015-2016 SC season before entry deadline
- 500 freestyle qualifying times: Girls – 13-14 – 6:15.89, Sr – 6:12.89, 13-14 Boys – 6:02.99, Sr – 5:49.99
- 400 IM qualifying times: Girls 13-14– 5:49.99, /Sr– 5:41.99.39, Boys 13-14 – 5:36.99, Sr - 5:24.99

In place of Golds – 1 meet: **Adirondack Short Course Championships**

- To be held in same place on calendar as Golds
- No 8-U age group. 8-under swimmers may swim qualified 10-Under events
- Generally faster cuts than previous Golds to lessen numbers and alleviate congestion and time restraints.
- Limit of 3 relays per team per event
- Medals 1-3 place individual and relay; ribbons for 4-16 in 12-Under individual events, 4-8 in 13-14 and Sr individual events
- A team with less than 4, but 2 or more qualified swimmers may compete in relays with relay-only swimmers. Relay-only swimmers in Sr Relays must be 13-over.
- Entry fees – \$6.50/5.50 per individual event, \$9.00 per relay

2016 AD SC Championship Q-times (Yellow/Blue Qualifying no faster than):

Sr Boy	13-14 Boy	11-12 Boy	10-U Boy	Event	10-U Girl	11-12 Girl	13-14 Girl	Sr Girl
24.89	26.31	30.79	34.99	50 Free	35.39	31.29	28.23	27.59
54.29	57.99	1:06.99	1:18.49	100 Free	1:18.49	1:07.19	1:01.19	59.99
1:55.99	2:05.99	2:19.99	2:45.99	200 Free	2:45.99	2:26.09	2:11.99	2:05.49
5:21.19	5:33.89	6:44.99	7:49.99	500 Free	7:49.99	6:44.99	5:49.99	5:43.99
18:37.99 11:00.00	19:15.69 11:30.19			Mile 1000 cut			19:59.99 12:00.00	19:48.19 11:52.49
		35.29	41.29	50 Back	41.29	36.89		
1:01.29	1:06.29	1:16.59	1:29.99	100 Back	1:29.99	1:18.69	1:10.19	1:07.09
2:12.99	2:22.99	2:38.59		200 Back		2:38.99	2:29.99	2:24.29
		34.49	42.99	50 Fly	42.99	35.59		
59.99	1:05.39	1:15.99	1:31.79	100 Fly	1:31.79	1:16.29	1:09.09	1:06.29
2:16.99	2:22.99	2:35.99		200 Fly		2:37.99	2:30.99	2:25.99
		40.59	47.79	50 Breast	47.79	40.89		
1:08.89	1:16.89	1:27.49	1:41.99	100 Breast	1:41.99	1:27.99	1:19.59	1:15.59
2:27.99	2:41.99	2:57.99		200 Breast		2:58.99	2:53.99	2:45.99
		1:15.99	1:28.69	100 IM	1:28.69	1:17.79		
2:10.99	2:22.99	2:40.99	3:06.29	200 IM	3:06.29	2:41.59	2:29.99	2:23.59
4:43.99	4:55.69			400 IM			5:15.09	5:07.29

- Accept proposal to move to HOD vote.

Athletes Report:

- Report from convention: USA Swimming is putting a lot of focus on Safe Sport. There is a video on www.usaswimming.org for both swimmers and parents. USA swimming suggests providing parents with an incentive to watch the video like a free meet program.
- LGBTQ initiative. USA Swimming wants all swimmers to feel safe and included.
- Want fundraising to involve more athletes and want to get more athlete participation.
- Athlete reps will try to visit teams to encourage more participation.
- Will look into setting up Instagram and/or Facebook for athletes.
- Report was approved.

Nominating committee: Jenn Dixon

Officers proposed for election at HOD

- General Chair: JoAnn Faucett
- Administrative Vice Chair: Steve Johnson
- Treasurer: Alison Vitullo
- Secretary: Debbie Erickson
- Senior Vice Chair: Jerry Adams
- Tech planning: Steve Hall
- Age Group Chair: Jarrett O'Donnell
- Coaches Rep: Molly Chamberlain
- Outreach Chair: Rossi Maldonado
- Safety Chair: Michele Boxley

All candidates were elected.

New Business: Jenn Dixon

Proposed new procedure for how to elect athlete rep. The athlete reps tend to come from large teams as those teams have more swimmers that can vote. A change is needed to make it fairer for more teams. Proposal: "Interested athletes must submit their bios one week before qualifier meets. Candidate bios will be displayed at yellow and blue qualifier meets. At SC Championships each team gets 3 votes. Unattached athletes votes will be counted separately and they will then be given 3 votes for the candidates. Results will be announced before finals on Sunday of championships." Proposal was accepted.