

UTAH SWIMMING, INC.
Board Meeting Minutes
8 March 2005
Cottonwood Heights Recreation Center

The meeting was called to order at 7:10 p.m.

Members present: Brent Bunnell, Randy Christensen, Todd Etherington, Norin Felton, Debby Fleisch, Barry Hayden, Lela Hiatt, Emily Reimschuessel, Martha Siggard, and Grant Skabelund.

Excused members: Ana Agy, David Chandler, Brian Christiansen, Josh Dukes, Jennifer Fredsall, Maryalice Marx, Cathy Philpot, and Mike Werner.

Guests: Jim Jones, Janice Madsen, and Betty Picac.

Officer Reports:

General Chair: We have received the Zone contract. Carolyn's husband will be preparing the lunches for the Zone meeting. Harmon's will partner with USI, providing food in exchange for publicity. Debby has met the DJ and USI will go with the basic package for the Zone Social. The question was raised as to where Zone attendees would be able to park their RVs. Debby will check on this.

A quorum was established at 7:20 p.m. February's USI Board minutes were reviewed and approved as amended.

Administrative Vice-Chair: Janice Harvey has resigned; position remains vacant.

Secretary: Grant had nothing to report.

Treasurer: Brent reported that USI had worked out an arrangement whereby Todd Etherington would change his status from USI employee to a contract employee. A motion was made to move the 2005 budgeted funds for Payroll Expenses to Professional Fees. The motion was seconded and approved. A motion was made to move most of the 2005 budgeted funds for Internet Server Fees to Professional Fees. The motion was seconded and approved. It was noted that these changes to the 2005 USI Budget need to be ratified by the House of Delegates on March 19, 2005, at the University of Utah.

Brent provided the Year-to-date Financial Report. For a copy, please contact USI's secretary, Grant Skabelund, at skabelund@byu.edu. A motion to accept the report was made, seconded, and approved.

Senior Chair: Debby reported that Cathy had informed her there would be a new form for reimbursement; the form will be given to Todd to be posted on the USI website.

Debby also reported that Cathy had determined that the 2006 Senior Championships would once again be overseen by USI and would be at the University of Utah. Bonus events will be made available. And the meet would be held the weekend after the last high school state championship meet. Grant suggested that if we are moving in the direction of having senior championships within one week of the last high school state meet, that we should encourage the UHSAA to rotate its meets every two years so different swimmers will benefit from having the USI senior championships closer to their high school championship meet. Lela will check with the coaches and UHSAA about the options per this suggestion.

Age-Group Chair: Although not present, Mike sent a report to Debby. B-C Finale: Things are coming well. About 265 swimmers from 20 teams will participate. Last year's meet had about 220 athletes, so the meet is growing and becoming a good opportunity for developing swimmers.

JOs: Over half of the entries are in. Mike has secured a classroom for House of Delegates. We have HPR N 238 reserved from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. He will be following up on things this week. Hopefully all teams were notified

that the 13-14 relays on Friday will be 200 medleys, not 400 medleys. Parking will be at the Huntsman Lot. If anyone has questions about JOs, contact Mike Werner at 801.955.4031 or mwerner@ci.west-valley.ut.us.

Zones: Mike has received the Zone info and is getting it ready with the help of Larry Johnson of the Western Zone so it can be sent out the end of April or early May.

Athlete Representative: None present.

Technical Planning Chair: As planned, the Mandatory Scratch-Down Procedure was reviewed. After being read by Martha, a motion to approve was made, seconded, and passed.

Randy also wondered when would be the best time to hold a planning meeting at JOs. The meeting will be held right after House of Delegates. The agenda will be to refine the next six months and look at the twelve months beyond that per the USI calendar.

Coaches Representative: Lela had nothing to report.

Officials & Sanctions Chair: Emily said the home study process for officials training is going great. She also mentioned that Corynne Armstrong is now a Level 1 Referee and Ron Peterson is a Level 2 Starter.

Emily provided a sanctions report. There are currently no major concerns per sanctions.

Safety Chair: Josh was not present.

Club Liaison: Maryalice was not present.

Membership Chair: Martha reported that USI now has 2,117 athletes, 186 non-athletes, and 30 clubs.

Registration and Website Coordinator: Todd reported there are now 31 clubs, inasmuch as there is a new Wasatch County Aquatic Team swimming in Heber City. He added that the team in Vernal is progressing toward USA Swimming approval.

Time Verifications Chair: Norin mentioned she needed the results from some meets for the on-line database.

Publicity Chair: Position not filled.

Adaptive Chair: Barry will provide information on USI proposed adaptive policy for House of Delegates.

New Business: No new business.

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting; it was seconded and approved at 8:10 p.m.

Next meeting scheduled for **7:00 p.m., Tuesday, 12 April 2005**, at the **Cottonwood Heights Recreation Center**. All interested parties are welcome.

Respectfully submitted, Grant Skabelund, USI Secretary