

**Minutes**  
**SD LSC House of Delegates**  
**October 6, 2013**  
**Chamberlain, South Dakota**

**Call to Order:** General Chair, Jon Sommervold, called the meeting to order at 12:05 p.m.

**1. Roll Call and Seating of Delegates:**

The following Voting members were present:

Board of Directors: (15)      Jon Sommervold (SFX), General Chair  
Russ Miller (SFX), Admin Vice Chair  
Kyle Margheim (MAC), Age Group Chair  
Blake Waddell (MAC), Finance Vice Chair  
Carolyn Theobald (PST), Secretary  
Sarah Hogg (ASC), Treasurer  
Paula Gordon (SEAL), Safety Coordinator  
Deb Finnesand (ASC), Technical Planning Chair  
Rita Baszlar (HPRW), Seasonal Teams Representative  
Kelly Schott (YST), Membership/Registration Coordinator  
Clyde Smith (SFX), Coaches Representative  
Kayla Sproles (SEAL), Sr. Athlete Representative  
Chris Rumrill (PST), Sr. Athlete Representative  
Shayle Finnesand (ASC), Athlete Representative  
Tevyn Waddell (MAC), Athlete Representative

Club Delegates: (16)      Elyce Kastigar (ASC)  
Michele Nielson (BSC)  
Kay Friebe (BST)  
Angela Mutziger (CST)  
Bonnie Biel (HPRW)  
Sonya Fossum (MAC)  
Kent Huckins (PST)  
Bill Stoddard (SEAL)  
Kelly Rose McCullough (SFX)  
Donna Biersbach (WASC)  
Rose Vogl (WST)  
Brian McGinnis (YST)  
Tricia Biersbach (WASC), Athlete Delegate  
Emmy Nelson (ASC), Athlete Delegate  
Tucker Iwerks (ASC), Athlete Delegate  
Alex Boerema (SFX), Athlete Delegate

*Total Voting Delegates Present = 31*

The following Non-Voters were also present: (5)

Joel Mann (ASC), Records/Top Times Chair

Andrew Uttecht (HPRW)  
Ashley Theobald (PST)  
Rusty Bernstein (BSC)  
Edie Mueller

*Total Attendance = 36*

**2. Reading, Correction and Adoption of Minutes of Previous Meeting:**

Minutes are to be corrected for the spelling of Sproyles to Sproles.

**Gordon moved to approve April 21, 2012 Minutes with correction, seconded by Margheim. Motion approved.**

**Note: Kent Huckins, PST, arrived at 12:11 p.m.**

**3. Approval of Agenda:**

Changes to Agenda:

- Addition: Excuse Clubs unable to attend HOD Meeting to be added under New Business
- Deletion: Elections – nominating committee
- Addition: Reports from attendees to USA Swimming Convention to be added under Unfinished (old) business – covered in previous agenda items
- Deletion: Treasurer's Report – Sarah Hogg

**B. Waddell moved to approve agenda with above changes, seconded by Miller. Motion approved.**

**4. Reports of Officers:**

**a. General Chair – Jon Sommervold**

- Reported on Strategic Planning with Arlene McDonald, USA Swimming LSC Consultant.
- Thanks to everyone for support and attendance.

**b. Administrative Vice Chair – Russ Miller**

- Reported on Strategic Planning with Arlene McDonald, USA Swimming LSC Consultant.
- Summary of Strategic Planning will be forwarded to delegation.

**c. Senior Vice Chair – Guy Gniotczynski (No Report)**

**d. Age Group Vice Chair – Kyle Margheim (No Report)**

**e. Finance Vice Chair – Blake Waddell**

- All financial audits are complete
- 990 has been submitted to IRS and USA Swimming

**f. Secretary – Carolyn Theobald (No Report)**

**g. Treasurer's Report – Sarah Hogg**

- Reviewed August 31, 2013 Financial Report (Attachment 4.g.). Discussion took place.  
**Gordon moved to approve August 31, 2013 Financial Report, seconded by Stoddard. Motion approved.**
- Presented SD Swimming, Inc.'s Proposed Budget for September 1, 2013 through August 31, 2014 (Attachment 4.g (2)). Additions to budget include \$350 for Education Committee and \$1,000 for the Spring Athlete Clinic. Discussion took place.  
**Sproles moved to approve SD Swimming's Proposed Budget with above additions, seconded by Gordon. Motion approved.**

**h. Coaches Representative – Clyde Smith**

- Reported on coaches' Safety Training.
- Reported on SD Swimmers Spotlight tab to be added to SD Swimming website.

**i. Athlete's Division – Kayla Sproles (No Report)**

**j. Seasonal Member's Representative – Rita Baszlar**

- Reported on summer season.
- Seasonal Clubs are working on amending order of events of championship meet, along with locations.
- The 2014 Seasonal Championships will be in Aberdeen.

**k. Technical Planning Chair – Deb Finnesand**

See attached report (Attachment 4.k).

**l. Safety Coordinator – Paula Gordon**

See attached report (Attachment 4.l). Discussion took place.

**Safety Coordinator is to provide a Pre-Meet Checklist to Webmaster for posting on SD Swimming website.**

**5. Reports of Committees and Coordinators**

**a. Membership/Registration Coordinator – Kelly Schott**

- 1,192 year round and 436 seasonal athletes registered in 2013.
- USA Swimming is promoting Deck Pass in replacement of the USA Swimming Cards.

**b. Officials Committee – Bob Sieve**

See attached report (Attachment 5.b).

**c. Board of Review – No Chair**

**d. Records/Top 16 Coordinator – Joel Mann**

- Reported on importance of reconciling the pre-meet exceptions report. Please correct for accuracy of reporting of athlete's times.

**e. Sanctions Coordinator – Mike Moran**

Miller reported on Moran's behalf. Importance of submitting sanctions in a timely manner, fines will be enforced for late submissions.

**f. Nominating Committee – Kelly Rose McCullough**

- Nominations will take place in the spring. Please submit nomination forms.

**6. Unfinished (old) Business – Covered in previous agenda items.**

USA Swimming Convention Reports:

- Mueller announced she is the Central Zones Officials Chair. Reported on rules changes for breaststroke and butterfly, and changes in Board of Review eliminating National Board and creating LSC Board with two representatives from each LSC. Dates to be noted:
  - Sectionals, Pleasant Prairie, WI – March 13-16, 2014
  - Officials Training Clinic, Iowa City, IA – April 12, 2014
  - Zones Open Water, Pleasant Prairie, WI – June 12-13, 2014
  - Zones 14 & Under and 15 & Over – August 1-3, 2014
- B. Waddell reported on breakout sessions. Will forward report to be distributed. Discussion took place on importance of attending Convention.

**7. Appointments to Open Positions**

Chairman Sommervold asked for advice and consent to appoint Guy Gniotczynski (RCR), Rusty Bernstein (BSC), Bonnie Biel (HPRW) and Alex Boerema (SFX) to Technical Planning Committee, noting that Duncan Olney (GREA) resigned.

**B. Waddell moved to consent to the additions to the Technical Planning Committee as listed, seconded by Schott. Motion approved.**

**8. New Business**

- a.** Reviewed 2013-2014 Short Course Meet Schedule, 2013 Long Course Meet Schedule and the 2014-2015 Short Course Meet Schedule (Attachment 8.a.).

Deadwood/Lead and Seals are to be added to the 2013-2014 Short Course Meet Schedule for January 4-5, 2014, Sioux Falls Snowfox will change from December 6-8 to December 20-22, 2013, and Watertown will change from January 18-20 to January 11-12, 2014.

**McGinnis moved to approve the 2013-2014 Short Course Meet Schedule, seconded by B. Waddell. Motion approved.**

Seasonal Championships are to be added to the 2014 Long Course Meet Schedule for August 1-3, 2014 in Aberdeen, Central Zones Open Water is to be added June 12-13, 2014 in Wisconsin, the 15 & Over Central Zones Championship is to be changed to August 1-3, 2014, Snowfox is to be changes to July 10-13, 2014 and Brookings is to be changed to July 11-13, 2014.

**S. Finnesand moved to approve the 2014 Long Course Meet Schedule, seconded by Rumrill. Motion approved.**

Sioux Falls Seals are to be added to the 2014-2015 Short Course Meet Schedule for January 3-4, 2015, the Yankton Tri-State meet will change from February 14-15, 2015 to November 8, 2015 and the B Championship Meet will be held in Pierre.

**Sproles moved to approve the 2014-2015 Short Course Meet Schedule, seconded by T. Waddell. Motion approved.**

**b. Proposals**

- i. Proposal: Long Course State Meet Championship Friday Split Session (Attachment 8.b.i)**

Discussion took place.

**B. Waddell moved to table Proposed Long Course State Meet Championship Friday Split Session, seconded by Rumrill. Motion approved.**

- ii. Proposal: Short Course State Meet Championship Friday Split Session to be included in SD Swimming, Inc.'s Policies & Procedures Exhibit #14 (Attachment 8.b.ii)**

**D. Finnesand moved to consider proposed Short Course State Meet Championship Friday Split Session, seconded by T. Waddell. Discussion took place.**

**Vogl moved to call the question, seconded by Biel. Motion Failed.**

- iii. Proposal: Long Course State Meet Championship Option for a Split Meet Format (Attachment 8.b.iii.).**

Discussion took place.

**Gordon moved to table Proposed Long Course State Meet Championship Option for a Split Meet Format, seconded by Rumrill. Motion approved.**

- iv. Proposal: Long Course State Meet Championship Split Meet Format (Attachment 8.b.iv).**

**Withdrawn.**

- v. Proposal: Change of Scoring to the USA Swimming Standard for Championship Meets 102.25. (Attachment 8.b.v)**

- vi. Proposal: Championship Meet Scoring for Percentage Award (Attachment 8.b.vi).**

**B. Waddell moved to table Proposed Change of Scoring to the USA Swimming Standard for Championship Meets 102.25 and Proposed Championship Meet Scoring for Percentage Award, seconded by Stoddard. Motion approved.**

- vii. Proposal: Changes to Rule 9.10 Age Group's Scoring (Attachment 8.b.vii).**

**D. Finnesand moved to consider changes to Rule 9.10 Age Group's proposal, seconded by S. Finnesand. Discussion took place.**

**D. Finnesand moved to call the question, seconded by McGinnis. Motion failed.**

- viii. Proposal: Changes to Rule 9.14 Relays (Attachment 8.b.viii).**

**Stoddard moved to table, no second.**

**McGinnis moved to consider changes to Rule 9.14 Relays, seconded by Nielson. Discussion took place.**

**D. Finnesand moved to call the question, seconded by McGinnis. Motion failed.**

- ix.** Proposal: Changes to Rule 4.1 Training, Certification and Duties of Officials (Attachment 8.b.ix).

**B. Waddell moved to approve Changes to Rule 4.1 Training, Certification and Duties of Officials, seconded by Rumrill. Motion approved.**

- x.** Proposal: Move the Spring SD Swimming LSC HOD Meeting to Early April (Attachment 8.b.x)

**No motions made. Proposal failed.**

- xi.** Proposal: Rule 9.22 State Meet Rotation Clarifications (Attachment 8.b.xi)  
Discussion took place.

**D. Finnesand moved to change Rule 9.22 State Meet Rotation to “Any city that builds a new pool will, starting the first season after the pool has been established, host the State B Championship Meet, then host the State Championship Meet the year after, with a new rotation being established.”, seconded by Margheim. Motion approved.**

- xii.** Proposal: Rule 9.7(2)(a) Swimmers Receiving a Pass (Attachment 8.b.xii)  
**Stoddard moved to consider proposed Rule 9.7(2)(a) Swimmers Receiving a Pass, seconded by D. Finnesand. Discussion took place.**

**Motion approved.**

- xiii.** Proposal: Rule 9.2 SD LSC Responsibilities (Attachment 8.b.xiii)  
Discussion took place.

**D. Finnesand moved to call question, seconded by Rumrill. Motion approved.**

## **9. Resolutions and Orders:**

- a.** The House of Delegates Spring Meeting will be held Sunday, April 27, 2014.

**Sproles moved to adjourn, seconded by S. Finnesand. Meeting adjourned at 4:03 p.m.**

Respectfully Submitted,  
Carolyn Theobald, Secretary

For the purpose of continuity, the minutes may not be in chronological order.