

NDLSC – Status Check Zoom

06/06/2021 – 7pm



(.5) Welcome and Introductions of new members

In attendance: Dan Heckaman, Stacy Olson, Ben Richards, Kelli Sears, Anne McDonagh, Bret Haglund, Liv Olson, Angie Heckaman, Megan Schill, Lisa Montplaisir

- Status of transition(s)
 - Dan Heckaman – still catching up on learning what he “needs to know”
 - Minimal dialogue with Shane for transition – he is available for questions
 - Ben Richards – transition has been smooth and he is still learning
 - Consistent communication both verbal and email with Dan
 - Communication established with USASwimming
 - Kelli Sears – “don’t know what you don’t know”
 - Have been in communication with Janna
 - Need to get a resource for her at USA Swimming for filing process
 - MAAPP 2.0 launching this week

Stacy recommended to both new members, to utilize the site for communications to their groups instead of personal email communications.

- Monthly Call – do we continue the call going forward, or do we go back to quarterly?

(1) Informational items (5 mins or less per topic - could be informed via email):

- SALT - Final Review
- Coaches Certification Extension
 - For those that expired March 2021 – extended through 9/1/2021
 - We currently have 40 coaches with expired credentials with at least one from each of the 13 teams. While some are new still working on things, they are still deck ineligible until completed.
- USAS Recruitment Policy
 - Reminder that the policy exists both at ND and USA Swimming levels
 - USA Swimming Rules and Regulations Code of Conduct violation
 - *Because it is USA Swimming level, we can remove it from ND Swimming*
- Safe Sport Branded Pop-Up Changing Tents
 - Arriving in the field already
- Safe Sport Club Recognition
 - We currently need additional teams to certify to receive additional funding
 - <https://www.usaswimming.org/safe-sport/safe-sport-recognition-program>
- Action Items:

(2) Discussion Items (topics that a Board member would like input or feedback (10 mins or less of discussion)):

- Board Agenda Format Plan – Dan
 - Support from all members commenting to work with the format
 - We will move forward with this format and adjust as needed
- Admin Vice Chair Report
 - Special meeting of the USA Swimming House of Delegates



- USA-S will be making numerous bylaws, rule, policy, and operational changes over the course of the next few months to remain in compliance with the updated USOPC Bylaws and the updated Ted Stevens Olympic and Amateur Sports Act.
 - This will be held virtually in a special meeting of the National HoD on June 30, 2021 (3pm, MST).
 - Additional information (and the requisite Board resolution) to follow.
 - <https://www.usaswimming.org/about-usas/governance/special-hod-meeting>
- Empowering Olympic, Paralympic, and Amateur Athletes Act
 - Federally requiring 33.33% athlete representation to the USA Swimming HoD
 - USOPC Bylaws:
 - specifies at least 20% must be 10 Year Athletes
 - specifies at least 13.33% must be 10 Year+ Athletes
 - Legislation does not dictate the ratio
 - multiple scenarios being discussed
 - Ratio composition
 - Weighted voting
 - Urgency for the special meeting on 6/30/2021 is to seat an Athletes Advisory Council (AAC) to elect and seat the athlete representation, as well as establish their definition and vote composition prior to the Annual Meeting in September.
 - The USOPC is poised to find USA-Swimming in violation of NGB requirements and assume control of our NGB if requirements are not met by the deadline of 12/31/2021, without guarantee of recertification.
 - USOPC priorities:
 - 10 Year and 10 Year+ athletes
 - Independents
 - Possible USOPC consequences of violation:
 - Resignation of current USA-S BoD, and replacement with a board of at least 50% completely independent membership
 - HoD permanent disbanding
 - <https://www.usaswimming.org/docs/default-source/governance/governance-rule-changes.pdf>
- Annual USA Swimming National Convention
 - Virtual meeting held September 23-25, 2021.
 - Registration and additional information to follow.
 - <https://www.usaswimming.org/about-usas/governance/annual-meeting#registration>
- USA Swimming Meet Sanctioning (May 1, 2021- July 31, 2021)
 - Pursuant to Article 4.7 of the USA Swimming Corporate Bylaws, and in the interest of member safety due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, the USA Swimming Board of Directors has taken the following actions related to meet sanctioning, with the advice and consent of the Operational Risk Committee, Rules & Regulation Committee, and legal counsel:
 - Amendment of Articles 202.4 and 202.6 of the USA Swimming Rules to require certain COVID-related precautions in order to issue meet sanctions and approvals, including a safety plan, assumption of risk, and release of liability, which will remain in place through July 31, 2021.
 - As always, USA Swimming, Local Swimming Committees (LSC) and club activities must follow state and local guidelines

- Action Items:

- We will have our voting seats participate in the June meeting
 - Waiting for confirmation of exact eligibility for those to vote



- Cannot find any information regarding delegation of National vote. So Dan, denise.thomas@usaswimming.org (USAS Membership manager) would be a good starting point for current designations as well as assigning designation prior to special meeting or convention.

(3) Decision Items (proposals that require action by the Board - Proposals provided in advance - 20 mins or less of discussion - then vote to approve, deny, or table the proposal):

- Zones Budget Proposal - #Requires a motion for approval

Zones proposal for 30 age group swimmers

3 coaches 1 Team Manager

(This could change if we have more athletes attend but no more than 4 coaches)

4 flights x \$500 = \$2,000

3 hotel rooms x 5 nights x \$150 = \$2,250

Rental car 6 days = \$610

Per Diem \$100 per day HC/ \$80 per day AC/ \$30 food/ 6 days = \$2,100

Total = \$6960

Entry \$60 per athlete average from last Zones WF = 30 x \$60 = \$1800 for meet entry

\$125 per athlete for gear 30 kids = \$3,750

Total = \$12,510

(MINUS) Entry per athlete \$75 = \$2,250 from athletes to LSC

(Hope to have at least 30 athletes commit)

Cost to LSC = \$10,260

Rental Car option for 3 coaches and 1 team manager = Full size rental car \$800/plus gas roughly \$250/\$300 = \$1,100

Mileage roughly 836 miles each way x .56 per mile. Roughly \$950/\$1000 for mileage

Things to remember:

Even though it looks and feels different than what ND is used to, it's still a LSC competition. Not individual teams converging on one place. There are coach limits based upon number of swimmers. At this time there are no spectators, all will be watching streams from local establishments and such. We have to have a Team ND Head Coach, at least 2 assistant coaches, and 1 Team Manager. The biweekly calls that will be starting soon will require the Manager and ND Head Coach to be on. Susan will get the entry file and need to get the Team Manager file to the Head Coach. I have the ND LSC Computer and will not see Susan until state but with 2 weeks it can happen at state. She should run a AAA times list from SC and get posted to Team ND. The coaching staff should be reaching out to those AAA to get confirmations on attendance or not.

Consensus supports the format of the expense overview.

- Anne can move forward to book rooms
- Flight will be determined once coaches are selected

- Action Items:

- Coaches need to be committed sooner than later, so we can confirm flight costs vs. driving option
 - Dan will follow up with Pat to confirm

Next meeting: July 11, 7pm

Meeting adjourned – 8:40pm