

Ohio Swimming, Inc. Board of Directors Meeting

Sunday, December 18, 2022 @ 8:00 pm

Via Zoom Conference – UNAPPROVED MINUTES

In Attendance:

Voting BOD Members:		Committee/Coordinators (Non-voting)	
General Chair – Todd Billhimer	X	Disability – Susan Mechler	X
Admin Vice Chair – Steve Connock	X	Asst. Coach Chair – Amy Saribalas	X
Senior Co-Chair – Chris McKinney	X	Operational Risk – John Pristash	X
Senior Co-Chair – Teresa Fightmaster	X	Camps – Craig Schoenlein	
Age Group Chair – Kevin Rachal		Open Water – Chip Carrigan	
Technical Planning – Kyle Goodrich	X	Zone Team – Brent Peaden	
Finance Vice Chair – Joe Waller		Office – Erin Schwab	
Treasurer – David Lloyd	X	Office – Kristi Princell	X
Officials – Anissa Kanzari		Gov Committee – Mark Koors	X
Safe Sport – Lew Timberman	X	Gov Committee – tbd	
DEI Chair – Terry Anchrum		Gov Committee – Edgar Caraballo	
Coach Chair – Rich Morris	X	Gov Committee – Carolyn Strunk	
Secretary – Christi Holmes	X	Gov Committee – Dan Cherok	
Ath Rep (Senior) – Julia Bohl	X	Admin Review Board – John MacKay	
Ath Rep (Senior) – Ian Sander		Sanctioning – Mark Johnson	
Ath Rep At-Large – Max Christensen		Ex-Officio Athlete – Alyssa Uhlman	X
Ath Rep At-Large – Laura Zipes		Ex-Officio Athlete – Claire Kemmere	
Ath Rep At-Large – Tristan Prizler	X	Ex-Officio Athlete – Addison Linard	
Ath Rep At-Large – Jake Karulf		Ex-Officio Athlete – Ethan Fang	

Todd B. called the meeting to order at 8pm.

1. Approve Agenda – **Motion was made and unanimously carried to Approve Agenda**
2. Consent Agenda
 - a. Adoption October 2022 BOD Minutes – **Motion was made and unanimously carried to Approve October 2022 BOD Minutes.**
 - b. Adoption November 2022 BOD Minutes – **Motion was made and unanimously carried to Approve November 2022 BOD Minutes.**
 - c. December 2022 Treasurer’s Report – David L. gave a short review of his report.
3. Committee Reports / Discussions
 - a. Disability Committee Update – Susan M. reported that the disability committee is up and running. She announced the committee member names – Amy (parent), Evan (coach) and Gabby (athlete). The committee has submitted a survey to OSI for distribution to help collect names of USA-S members with disabilities and anyone interested in the committee.
 - b. Safe Sport Committee Update – Lew T. reported that WTRC hosted a meet and distributed Safe Sport educational materials using the format that former athlete rep Caroline H. had developed. Todd B. asked how many kids participated. Lew T. replied that he did not have those details. He hopes to encourage Chloe to be on the next call to provide an update. Bobcat Swim Club’s Safe Sport Pentathlon meet is on January 15th.
4. Old Business
 - a. Support and Education for Coach/Team Support and Education for Gender Diverse Minor Athletes – Lew T. reported that there is no update.
 - b. Two Outstanding Policy Book Items – Steve C. proposed the following changes for BOD approval:
 - Meet Scheduling – the language in 4.1.3. and Appendix 4 has been made more specific per John MacKay’s recommendations to ensure clarity. The intent of the policy language is to ensure there are no conflicts during OSI championship meet weekends. There was much discussion among the BOD regarding this policy due to concerns that the proposed language could potentially prohibit

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swimmers from participating in another meet simply because they are ineligible to participate in an OSI championship meet. The BOD does not want to preclude, for example, Jr. Championship qualified swimmers from competing in other meets during the 14U Regional Championships weekend just because they are ineligible to compete in the regional meet. Steve C. will further clarify the intent of the policy with Kevin R. This item is tabled until next month.

- Meet Marshals – the recommendation is to adopt the USA-S standard for the meet marshal requirement in 4.6.1. A (2), which is 4 meet marshals for prelim/final meets and 2 meet marshals for timed final meets, 1 of each gender. This change reduces the OSI requirement of 4 meet marshals for every meet to the USA-S standard as stated above. Lew T. suggested changing the word “less” to “fewer”. Appendix 3 will also reflect this USA-S standard. Lew T. suggested changing the word “pool” to “venue”. Steve C. reminded the BOD that there is a \$300 fine if meet hosts are not in compliance with the meet marshal policy. Meet hosts are struggling to meet the requirement. There were concerns that this policy change is not in line with Meet 360. Steve C. explained that we are not repeating the Meet 360 document and is not the Meet 360 protocol. Motion to accept Meet Marshal policy change which adopts the USA-S meet marshal standard model with the word changes as stated above. **Motion was made and unanimously carried to update the language in 4.6.1. A (2) and Appendix 3 with the two word changes suggested above.**

5. Announcements

- a. Mark K. announced that there are several positions up for election this spring. The Governance Committee will put out a notification to see if there is interest. The process is beginning.
- b. Teresa F. said that the Senior Committee is working on ideas and will have a report next month
- c. Todd B. announced that the USA-S workshop is set for April 20-23, 2023, in Denver. Committee chairs or reps need to go to this meeting – Officials (Anissa K.), Coaches (Kyle G./Rich M.), Safe Sport (Lew T.) and Athletes. Erin will reach out shortly. He will forward an email to committee chairs.
- d. Todd B. also announced that the tentative date for the Spring HOD is April 30. Rich M. asked if there would be an online option. Todd said yes. Teresa F. asked about the location of the HOD. Todd B. said that he will try to have that information sent out before the next meeting.

6. Next BOD Meeting –Tuesday, January 17, 2022 @ 8:00PM

7. Adjournment – Motion was made and unanimously carried to adjourn the meeting @ 8:42pm.