

Minutes: Ozark Swimming, Inc. – House of Delegates Meeting
January 30, 2010 – Saturday – Meeting called to order: 12:00 PM
Location: Parkway Instructional Services Center

Attendees: Ernie Paskoff, Nick Rudich, Karen Smiley, Mike Grammar, Dave McCrary, George Lenard, Bill Hillmer, Karen Baker, Brian Perkins, Pat Orf, Brooke Carr, Stvee Franklin, Marcio Vierira, Ashleigh Grammar, Alex Vavra, Alicia Scott, Mike Scott, Debbie Catani, Nathan Weiss, Kim Weiss, Mary Liston, Todd Gabel, Stefan Yarbrough, Bruce Dreyer, Colin Kennedy, Jason Cravens, Bob Rettle, Tom May, Karl Larson, Jay Newton, Tania Hillmer, Gussie Crawford, Eric Strom`

- ❖ Minutes of Sept 26, 2009 meeting accepted with housekeeping corrections
- ❖ General Chair Report: Ernie distributed copies of HOUSE OF DELEGATES ARTICLE 604. He also noted that by laws obligate the HOD to meet 1 time a year (In May) He suggests that committees meet more frequently to discuss needs to be presented to the Board of Directors rather than the entire HOD.
- ❖ Nick Rudich has agreed to serve as Admin Vice Chair until the May elections and Dave McCrary has agreed to serve as Senior Chair. Both positions are to be on the May ballot.
- ❖ New Meet Schedule was presented by Technical Planning. (attached) new schedule is hoped to better address the needs of all athletes, novice to senior. There will be a Sr Championship in November to better coincide with National Short Course in December. Weekends before Champs meets will be closed. Long Course meet bids open today and close 2/17. Technical Planning will meet 2/21 to review bids. Several persons voice concerns about meet staffing, more officials are needed. Bill Hillmer made motion to table discussion of meet hosting issues but was informed that discussion is not necessary Tech Planning has full jurisdiction of the meet schedule. Bill suggests amending the bylaws to obligate vote of meet schedule.
- ❖ Discussion was held and per recommendation by the Finance Committee effective May 1, 2010 splash fees have been increased to \$.25. This increase is needed to cover the budget deficit.
- ❖ The approved Suit list is now posted on the USA swimming webiste
- ❖ We will participate in the LEAP level 1 program. Nick has been working on the document and we may schedule a retreat to complete the process. Ernie met with Randy Julian and Arlene McDonald. Arlene will be invited to the retreat.
- ❖ Safety / Disability Chair – Mike Scott urges coaches to encourage participation by swimmers who have disabilities. The Gateway Games for

disability swimmers will again be held at St Peters Rec Plex Aril 24, 2010.
Para-olympic official certification will again be offered.

- ❖ Registration / Membership – Gussie Crawford Current registration: 2591 Athletes, 289 Non athletes. Clubs registered: Parkway, Genesis, Poplar Bluff Bridgeton, Boys and Girls Club, St Charles County YMCA, Flyers (FAST), Hannibal, Rend Lake, U City, Saluki, Spirit, Rolla, TCAY, YOSI, Rockwood, CSP, Edwardsville, SEAL, LOVE, HEAT and Gators – all teams were voted to be accepted. Clubs are reminded to register their Safety Chair
- ❖ A presentation was made by Brian Perkins to encourage bringing a OQM meet to Ozark. This has been referred to the Officials committee for recommendation.
- ❖ Karen Smiley, Jason Cravens and Ron Marion have been working on an LSC form for approved and observed meets. The form will be made available on the Ozark website after finalized. We will waive the sanction fee for approved meets as we do not charge for approved meets.
- ❖ Officials Chair – Karen Smiley teams should consider balancing the number of swimmers with the number of officials we need to recruit parents of younger swimmers and encourage involvement to promote advancement to upper levels to facilitate meet operations
- ❖ Motion was made by Mary Liston to add the 400 relays into the 2010 Champs meet if agreed to by the Host teams. Motion was passed.
- ❖ Diversity – no report since the Oates were not present. Ernie is to schedule a conference call w/ Alice Oates and the BOD to discuss the revised USA definition of diversity.
- ❖ George Lenard, President of UC Swim Club asked for support to keep the UCity pool open. Those interested may send support emails to info@universitycityswimclub.com. All who have had positive experiences with the club are encouraged to send email support.
- ❖ Old Business ; Teams should clarify their process of accepting meet entries on their meet invitation. Per Jason Cravens, the previous policy of first come first served was rescinded in 2003 which allows host teams to accept entries they feel are in the best interest of the meet.
- ❖ Adjournment 3:40PM