Ozark HOD Meeting Feb.27, 2016

Call to order: 12:45

Roll Call: Sally Stevens, Dave Stevens, Gussie Crawford, Diana Rosen, Thomas Higgins, Bill Woelbelins, RJ McCosley, Andy Ripp, Erik Strom, Jason Cravens, Lindsay Craves, Louth Bell, Morgan Dodge, Jason Weise, Stefan Yarbrough, Sean Harrison, Todd Gabel, Brian Kupferer, Mary Liston, Jim Halliburton, Dan Dreisewerd, Brian Perkins, Tom Lombardo, Steffan Troxel, Bob Rettle, Dave McCrary, Mark Imig, Bruce Dryer

Adoption of May 6, 2015 minutes: Mark Imig moves, second Dave McCrary. Minutes accepted

<u>Athlete Rep:</u> Amanda Dryer: USA swimming encouraging swimmer's giving back to the community. Recruiting Ozark Jr athlete reps, They need to be going into their Jr year of high school.

Treasurer Report:

<u>Tech-Planning:</u> Nothing new. An email will be coming about working together to make sure all the events are offered in meets. Sr. Champs was originally set up as just a regular meet, but a suggestion was made that we talk about it becoming an official Ozark Championship meets. A discussion was held and it was advised that the Sr. Committee should aid with the format.

Sr. Chair: Update the reimbursement policy in the fall and is posted on the Ozark Web site.

<u>Age Group Chair:</u> Mark Imig- Zones has been doing team travel since 1999. Team travel is getting expensive, and the liability to coaches is a concern. As an LSC do we want to continue team travel or should we switch to family travel for Zones meet. Mark – will switch to family travel in the Meet info.

Coaches Rep: Dave McCrary; Derick Shipp; coaches clinic available in April at Edwardsville and is up on the web site.

Membership: Gussie: New club, CMTY- motion to accept Derrick Shipp, Stefan Yarbrough second. Approved

Officials: Brian Perkins: Sectionals coming up in Tulsa if you would like to attend contact Brian. No clinics coming up but if you would like to hold a clinic contact Brian.

<u>Safety:</u> Tom Lombardo: Bullying and Tech, USA swimming wants to know how we are using it. Recommend that tweets and texts not go out after 9 pm. Good tool but there are concerns about communication between athlete and coach. Ozark has certified the most open water officials in the country.

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Diversity & Inclusion: Cindi Coleman:

Club Development:

SWIMS:

Records:

New Business:

Election coming up in May. Open positions: General Chair appoints (5) the nominating committee and then they appoint a chair. Stefan Yarbrough, Erik Strom, Brian Perkins, Amanda Dryer, Lindsey Cravens have been appointed.

Motion to accept nominating committee Bruce Dryer, Derrick Ship second. Motion passed

Bruce Dryer: By-laws, USA swimming sent down some changes for the by-laws. Every standing committee must have at least 20% of athlete representation, and is now in our by-laws.

Erik Strom: Questions & Concerns:

- Registrations
- Meet info & Sanctions:

<u>Dave Stevens</u>: Paid Admin position. The whole role would to be to make sure that all the rules are followed and organized. Committee recommended that there should be a part time person to oversee the organization. Could a scope into what the position would entail be put together?

Dave will take the existing research and put together a recommendation together for the Board of Directors.

<u>Thomas Huggins</u> – Open Water Nationals has had an age group portion, has changed to the LSC putting together a team of 5 swimmers per age group per gender and compete against other LSC's. A selection format would be needed. April 7-9, 2016 is National Open Water, LSC Challenge will be April 8.

Next meeting: May 4, 2016 tentatively at ISC @ 7 p.m.

Meeting adjourned 2:00 pm - Bruce Dryer motioned, Mark Imig second.