

May 27, 2014
Ozark House of Delegates Meeting Minutes

Meeting Location: Parkway North High School – Health Room
Meeting start: 7:00 pm

ATTENDEES Bob Rettle, Bruce Dreyer, Mark Imig, Dave McCrary, Carolyn Ward Lipski, Marnie Gulsvig, Jeff Heveroh, John Traube, Stefan Yarbrough, Sean Harrison, Debbie Catani, Katie Kuhl, Kristin Schoenecker, Thomas May, Thomas Huggins, Sean Workman, Derek Shipp, Artie Hidalgo, Sally Cole, Dave Stevens, Ben Christensen, Bill Woelbeling, Dana LaVasseur, Alice Oates, Rudy Oates.

The HOD meeting was called to order at 7:11 pm. Roll call was done on a sign in sheet.

ADOPTION OF 5/11/13 MINUTES – Derek Shipp moved to approve the minutes, Stefan Yarbrough 2nd, carries, minutes approved.

ATHLETE REPORT – Ozark Athlete Reps attended convention. Kristin Schoenecker reported that they went to the Zone meeting. The committee proposed speeding up the Sectional cuts so that they would be more in line with Juniors. They were proposing that Ozark Senior Meet be the end of season meet. This did not pass in the Ozark Committee. Artie Hidalgo reported the committee wanted to step up the meet to be more like Juniors. The other Zones' meets are getting too big, but Ozark's is still manageable. They also talked about implementing a 15 & Over meet which has not gone over well in Ozark. Ozark was against this proposal, and in the end the proposal failed.

We have several outgoing Athletes, and we need 4 incoming as soon as possible to plan for Convention. Katie Kuhl stated they would get the word out and get some incoming athletes.

FINANCIAL – Debbie Catani reported that the budget is on track. There is an excess in surcharges that the clubs are paying in the amount of \$5400. This overage is due to the surcharge overage when clubs charge too for their surcharge. Recruiting of new officials has put \$3300 in their budget. This is not a carryover amount – it will go into the general budget at the end of the year. Champs awards were not very expensive this year. Ozark Div II awards went away as the meet was changed to a Qualifier. There was an error on the Division I awards by the supplier, therefore, the awards were free. Outreach was budgeted \$2000 to help fund that program. We have already spent more than that for Outreach athletes, so the executive committee voted to transfer \$1000 into that budget item to get through the summer. Diversity has not spent any money to date.

TECHNICAL PLANNING – Erik was not present, but he has sent out meet bid forms for next year.

AGE GROUP CHAIR – Sean Harrison reported Open Water Zones are 6/13 (clinic) and 6/14 (event) in Pleasant Prairie, WI. It is the same format as in 2013. Deadline to get entries to Sean is Monday, 6/2. Ozark is supplying t-shirts and caps. Sean is doing the clinic and asked if any coaches were present and would like to help, he would welcome that. Fees are \$26 for the meet. Clubs send entries to Sean, and Sean sends the entry as an Ozark Team. The Clinic is 6/13 from 4-7 with dinner included, it is \$15. Sean suggested the athletes attend the clinic as they learn a lot about strategy and will be more prepared for the swim on 6/14. Sean is still waiting for the TM Events file. Derek Shipp questioned why Ozark LSC is not paying for the entries for the athletes. There was no budget for this last year, and it was not put in the budget for this year. Last year we had a line item addition to cover expenses. Derek made a motion to approve up to \$2500 for Open Water Zones entry fees be paid by Ozark this year (2014) and consider adding the item to the budget for 2014-15. In addition, if the payment exceeds \$2500, the finance committee will meet to approve any overages. Ben Christensen 2nd, Motion carried.

14&Under Central Zones packets are published on the website. Sean had to change the hotel because the one we had was not in a nice area. Even though people will complain, he decided to move to a nicer area in order to keep our athletes safe. Dinners will be done at Golden Corral this year as the restaurant is right in the parking lot of Spring Hill Suites on McArthur where the team is staying. He would like coaches to encourage all athletes qualified to enter the meet early in order to get a spot on the bus. He also encouraged them to enter with one cut as it is a great experience for the athletes.

OFFICIALS – Brian Perkins was not there, but Bruce Dreyer reported that all was going well. Beth Paskoff mentioned that we are getting more Admin Officials in the system as well.

RECORDS – Mark Imig reported that he found about 30 missing records that should have been reported. He has corrected them from the teams that have gotten back with him.

WEBSITE – Beth asked everyone to please get updates to her. Everyone should be able to login and change their account. Beth will send out login info to all who have not been logged in previously.

ELECTIONS FOR HOUSE OF DELEGATES:

The nominees for the House of Delegates are as follows:

General Chair:	Bob Rettle
Administrative Vice Chair:	Bruce Dreyer
Finance Chair:	Ben Christensen
Secretary:	Lori Metz and Sally Cole (nominated from the floor)
Technical Planning Chair:	Stefan Yarbrough
Coaches Rep:	Dave McCrary and Derek Shipp
Members at Large (3):	John Lynch, Tom May, Erik Strom, Dana LaVasseur (nominated from the floor)
Board of Review (3):	Ernie Paskoff, Rudolph Oates, Tom Lombardo, Jeff Heveroh (nominated from the floor)

Mark Imig and Beth Paskoff counted the votes – the New HOD members are:

General Chair:	Bob Rettle
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Bob Rettle will take the ballots and keep them until next year.

Convention is 9/12-14, so the next meeting will be held at the new Chuck Fruit Aquatic Center in Edwardsville, IL on 9/27 at 10:00 am.

Mark Imig moved to adjourn at 8:18 pm. Everyone 2nd. Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Beth Paskoff
Secretary