



*Wisconsin Swimming Inc.*

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**Meeting Title:** Board of Directors Meeting

**Chair:** Cheri Zimdars

**Date & Time:** January 30, 2019, 5:00 p.m.

**Location:** Conference Call

**Present:** Cheri Zimdars, Rick Potter, Jeanne Drzewiecki, Neil Wright, George Guddie, Janis Katz, Kelly Wynns, Angela Monty, Rob McCabe, Shane Ryan, Jacob Johnson, David Anderson, Pat Lewno, Dani Cramer, Michael White, Mariah Marowsky, Sara Landolt, Ben Gabbey, Trina Schaetz, Laura Becherer,

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- 1) Call to order
- 2) Approval of April minutes
- 3) Athlete Report
  - a. Scholarship Proposal – Policy 33
  - b. Motion to adopt Policy 33 by Rob MaCabe, seconded by Jacob Johnson. Motion passed.
  - c. Thanks to Anna VanHout for presenting this to the LSC
  - d. Leadership Summit in Colorado is the same weekend of our Annual Banquet.
    - i. Motion to send two athletes to the Leadership Summit by Shane Ryan, seconded by Kelly Wynns. Motion passed.
- 4) General Chair
  - a. Nominating Committee
    - i. Need someone to head the committee
      1. Jeanne Drzewiecki will head the Nominating Committee
        - a. Cheri Zimdars will lead this process until the BoD can vote on the personnel of the Nominating Committee

- b. Luke Schumm discussion
    - i. Motion made to send \$1000 to Luke Schumm to help defer his medical costs by Neil Wright, seconded by Jacob Johnson. Withdrawn.
      - 1. David Anderson motions challenging the WI LSC members to match its \$1000 donation to Luke Schumm, seconded by George Guddie. Passed.
- 5) Administrative Manager
- a. Software for new registration transition
    - i. Waiting for Quick Books
      - 1. Submitted paperwork declaring the WI LSC as a non-profit
        - a. Waiting on approval from TechSoup
          - i. Cost will only be \$50
  - b. A number of coaches are not in good standing with their USA Membership
    - i. Looking for direction on how to handle this issue with Champ meets right around the corner
    - ii. Clubs need to buckle down on checking coaching credentials at our local LSC meets
      - 1. WI LSC suggests all teams that host meets will require coaches to show their current USA Coaches Membership and a photo ID – will also be required to sign-in and wear a wristband
    - iii. Flex Membership
      - 1. If an athlete has attended two meets and is now signed up for their third meet, who is responsible for the upgrade fee? Teams that enter the athlete in their meet will be responsible for the upgrade fee.
        - a. Rules will develop a policy.
  - c. Numbers
    - i. Down 270 swimmers overall
      - 1. Something to think about
    - ii. Also lost eight teams
      - 1. Only replaced with one team

- a. How many of the teams merged with another team?
      - i. Four teams merged with other clubs
  - 2. Discussion on how to connect small/new teams with long standing teams in the LSC, as a mentor or a “LSC match-maker”
- 6) Finance Chair and Treasurer Report
  - a. We are fully covered as a BoD insurance-wise (by USA Swimming, five-million-dollar limit)
  - b. Jacob Johnson was supposed to be receiving a stipend (and has not for a few years), total of \$3,600
    - i. Michael White made a motion and Janis Katz seconded to forward Jacob Johnson his stipend. Motion passed.
  - c. Need to determine how much the LSC will lose in regards to the amount athletes are charged to attend Zone meets (Open Water, 14&U Zones, All-Stars, Diversity meet)
  - d. Explanation of proposed budget
    - i. Running a deficit budget
      - 1. BoD feels comfortable in regards to this as the LSC has been trying to spend down the budget for many years
      - 2. David Anderson moved and Jacob Johnson seconded to accept the budget as presented. Motion passed.
- 7) Age-Group and Senior Chair Reports
  - a. Different format for State meets
    - i. Regionals remain the same weekend as WIAA State
    - ii. Week after Regionals, a Senior and 10&U State meet would be held – would drop the meet from a four day to a three day
      - 1. Is this two separate meets? Or one?
      - 2. Discussion about the number of Officials available with this type of format.
    - iii. Two weeks after Regionals would see an 11-14 State meet, Prelim Final for 13-14, timed final for 11-12
    - iv. This format is proposed for 2020 Short Course State meets

Dave Anderson talked about recent Chris Martin “visit”. Due to the weather Chris Martin cancelled coming into Wisconsin and had two call-in meetings. First meet was slow in getting going and low attendance, second meeting went a bit smoother. Dave A says that he feels Chris will have enough information/topics for the Annual Meeting.

**RULES – Rick Potter**

Rick presented the revision to Policy 28 – Swimmers with Disability.

Biggest change was adopting USA Swimming Para Motivational Time Standards.

Laura Becherer motioned to accept the changes to Policy 28. Jacob Johnson seconded.

Unanimous vote – motion passed.

Shane Ryan had asked for clarification on the Policy and how it impacts the State Champ meets.

Laura explained and Shane accepted.

**TIMES – Sara Landott**

Sara had just received access to USA Swimming SWIMS database. She has been working on finishing up the times from the Girls HS season. Urges that any additional times should be sent to her. Rick Potter and Sara are coordinating coverage for the Boys High School sectional and state champs, and getting those times into SWIMS.

Discussion about what items need to go out to the voting members of the HoD. Angela will send a blast out to all voting members. HoD voting members are to be given 15 days to respond.

Angela will send out blast on Thursday, January 31<sup>st</sup>, 2019 with the deadline of Thursday, February 14<sup>th</sup>, 2019. The following items will go out with general questions to Cheri Zimdars but the following contacts for the voting items:

- 1) 2019 Budget (Pat Lewno/Janis Katz)
- 2) 2019 Summer Meet Schedule (Jeanne Drzewiecki)

With no further discussion, Shane Ryan motioned to adjourn, Jacob Johnson seconded.  
UNANIMOUS vote.

**Meeting Adjourned:** 7:57 p.m.

**Next Meeting:** April 2019