November 6, 2017 @ 7:00pm The JCC Center, Squirrel Hill

Committee Members Present:

Charles Lersch, Chair - Coach	Donna Beyerl, Secretary-Official	Kevin Clougherty-Coach
Pam Harder – Parent	Bill Kennedy - Coach	Lucas Marsak – Coach
Al Rose – Coach	Rick Stover - Coach	

Committee Members Absent:

Melissa Gaguzis – Parent	Diana Sutterlin - Parent	Noah Jamison – Athlete
Stephanie Sipple – Athlete		

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order 7:10pm.

II. **Approval of Minutes**

Minutes from October 9, 2017 - (M) Bill (with correction), (S) Kevin - Motion Passed

III. **Reports**

Review of short course meet status –

SFAC – The meet was off to a slow start with getting officials, especially Admin Official/Meet Manager personnel. Having attended the meet, there was an initial issue with the Colorado Timing System, but otherwise the meet was run well.

WHAT report was issue with the starter and lane modules, but after the equipment was corrected the starter box did not have the strobe light working. Had extra breaks between the heats of the events. The meet had a lot of entries in the distance events which ended up being longer than the 4 hours but the teams did not seem to have an issue.

FCKW meet was within the 4 hours and went well

IV. **Unfinished Business**

Long Course Meet Schedule Approval to post for bids –

No change in meet bid procedure. Put teams on the Long Course Schedule that already hold their existing meets. Change on the Long Schedule for the Classic meet is going to be the weekend of May 11-13, 2018. Steel City meet probably will not be able to be held.

Dana Holder is trying to get a meet at Highland Park Pool. Looking to maybe have a team host a Short Course meet indoors for 14 and under or 12 and under.

Lucas and Matt will look into possibly an Open Water Meet.

The schedule will be updated with the teams that have agreed to host meets – Motion to Approve Kevin (s) Al – Motion approved

Charles will post to the AMS Website and send out to the clubs Wednesday November 8, 2017

V. **New Business**

A. Short Course Schedule – Propose and Discuss

First Splash Meets on the first two weekends of October.

October 6^{th-7th} and October 13th - 14th - First Splash meets will run all ages – 4 Sites.

October 20th – 21st – 10 & Under - Intro Meet - 10 & under – includes 25's

October 27th – 28th - "Braun" qualifier – 12 and Under – No Qualifying times and 13 & Older QT's with Distance Events

November 3rd – 4th – New 9 & over up to "BB"

November 10th – 11th – Mini/Distance Meet – 10 & Under

November 17th – 18th – (Braun Weekend) – 9 & Older - Slower Than BB – Distance??

November 24th – 25th – Thanksgiving Weekend

December 1st – 2nd – Last Chance Christmas Qualifier – Bottom End – 1 site.

December $8^{th} - 9^{th}$ - Developmental Meet – Slower than Christmas meet with no bottom end – 2 sites.

December 13th – 16th – Christmas Meet

December 22nd – 23rd – Christmas Holiday

December 29th – 30th – New Year's Holiday

January 5th - 6th - Developmental Meet - Age Group Open with 25's - 2 Sites

January 12th-13th – IMX Meet

January 19th-20th – Mini Distance Meet – 10 & Under

January 26th-27th – BB and Faster

February 2nd-3rd - Single Age - 9 - 14 and NQT

February 9th-10th – Mini Distance Meet – 10 & Under.

February 16th-17th – Bronze Champs – 2 Sites

February 23rd-24th – Silver Champs – 1 Site

March 1st-2nd – Mini Champs and Senior Champs

March 7th-10th – JO's

- B. Meet Management Process, Discussion; Schedule through post meet evaluation
- C. The Meet Evaluation Form Provide meet director to six different teams whether coach, official, parent – with name, e-mail and phone.
- D. Bidding Process Forms Drafts of forms were handed out to committee members for updates and changes. Discussion at the next meeting.
- E. PRA meet has low attendance Club requesting advice from AGC Suggestion made to open up the bottom end times to increase more entries.
- F. Charles proposed a change to meet entry fees as follows 500 and Shorter Events to be \$5.00 and the Distance Events \$10.00 - Prelims/Finals Events Meets - \$7.00 - Committee opinion is to leave the fees the same for now.

Action Items:

- Charles to reach out to Jeff to verify if Silver Champs can be changed to timed finals instead of prelim/finals.
- Should AMS adopt AMS time standards that are adjusted from USA time standards in order to help balance out meets? Would it be able to help the structures at meets and the meet schedule? What happens at JO's and Gold Champs?
- AGC requests that TPC provide time standards based upon the number of swimmers in our LSC in order to establish the 2018-2019 Short Course Season before the November AGC meeting.

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- Strategic Planning concerning meet scheduling Free Market Approach and the impact of this system on this LSC. Tabled until November meeting for discussion.
- Bidding Process Forms Drafts of forms were handed out to committee members for suggestions on updates and changes. Discussion at the December meeting.

VI. Next Meeting

December 11, 2017 @ The JCC Center, Squirrel Hill

VII. Adjournment

(M) Rick, (S) Lucas – 9:10pm