October 9, 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	Noah Jamison – Athlete	Rick Stover - Coach
Lucas Marsak – Coach	Al Rose – Coach	Stephanie Sipple – Athlete
Diana Sutterlin - Parent		

## **Committee Members Absent:**

Melissa Gaguzis – Parent	Bill Kennedy - Coach	
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#### I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order 7:04pm.

# II. Approval of Minutes

Minutes from September 11, 2017 - (M) Kevin, (S) Al - Motion Passed

# III. Reports

Concern about parents and coaches detailed on the Long Course Zone Report. Issues not necessarily different from most other zone trips. AGC will be more assertive with coach selection process and intent for the LSC and the experience. Raise the bar for the coaches. Should have guidelines that need to be adopted at a later meeting.

## IV. Unfinished Business

Long Course Meet Schedule - Coach at Pitt conversation about JO meet and the best weekend would be July 20-22. He would like to have meet as a last chance qualifier. Steel City Invitation might not take place due to site logistics. Waiting to hear back from GPAC and Summer Celebration. Confirmation that Senior Circuit will work for the designated weekend. Pending receipt from the clubs, the Long Course Schedule should be done for November meeting. JCC is checking on pool availability to possibly have another team host meet possibly before the Classic.

#### V. New Business

- A. AGC Member Expectations Based upon experience in the room at the AGC, First Splashes were scheduled two weeks later due to regional coaches' clinic. ANSC decided to host their own First Splash meet as an invitational with only select teams invited. The teams were ANSC, HD, NHA, PRA and SVSC. There were four first splashes already established per the LSC schedule. Those teams should have been notified that there was an additional meet and their splash counts may be low.
- B. What impact does meets on the schedule have on the LSC? The LSC supported the host clubs that hold the meets. AGC needs to configure meets based upon the success of the LSC and the long range goals and mission. Creating meets for the next several years the committee will need

to take into consideration how they are structured. Clubs bail out of a meet, what will be, if any, the ramifications on hosting future meets.

Should AGC recommend a budget item to compensate host clubs potential financial hardship due to unforeseen circumstances? Looking to go back to criteria already established that host clubs need to follow in order to be awarded meets.

AGC needs to go back to creating a meet schedule regardless of what is going on within the LSC. Having the SC Schedule out for bidding in January will alleviate the issues presented in the 2017-2018 SC Season. When cancelling a meet with a host club, should there be substantiated circumstances as to why the meet will be cancelled? Then should AMS consider a financial restitution if the meet continues

- C. Strategic Planning concerning meet scheduling Free Market Approach and the impact of this system on this LSC. Tabled until November meeting for discussion.
- D. Is it the AGC responsibility to locate a facility to host Silver Champs? PEAQ is unable to host meet. TPC offered the meet to SHAQ. Should there be additional fees for prelim/finals meets. If it is timed finals, would a team step up to host the meet?

#### 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.

# VI. Next Meeting

November 06, 2017 @ The JCC Center, Squirrel Hill

### VII. Adjournment

(M) Rick, (S) Lucas – 9:00pm