



May 8th House of Delegates Meeting Minutes

May 8th 2024 8:00pm - 9:00pm

Marriott Westchase: 2900 Briarpark Dr, Houston, TX 77042

I. Roll Call

- a. Meeting began at 8:00pm. Jennie Shamburger called the roll. Board members attending: Charlie Fry, Paige Sikkema, Jennie Shamburger, Travis Sandifer, Tom Hasz, Henry Clark, MaryAnne Svoboda, Mark Martinez, John Burke, Jake Camp. Staff members attending: Loren Fischbach. Coordinators attending: Davis Peden, Herb Schwab, Natalie Melenric, Seth Huston.
- b. Teams attending: AGS/2, BLAST/1, BTA/2, CFSC/2, DADS/1, FCST/2, KATY/2, MARC/1, NOCH/1, NEHA/1, PACE/1, PEAK/2, PACK/1, RICE/1, SHRK/1, STA/1, SHAC/2, SSAN/1, TEST/1, TASC/1, TWST/1.

II. Mission Moment

- a. Charlie Fry read the Mission Moment:

III. Approval of October 2023 HOD Minutes [https://](https://www.gomotionapp.com/gslsc/UserFiles/Image/QuickUpload/final-hod-10-18-23_086301.pdf)

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- a. Motion made to accept Minutes from October 23 made and seconded. Minutes approved.

IV. Old Business: No old business.

V. Officer and Committee Chair Reports

- a. General Chair

- b. Admin Vice Chair

1. Paige reminded everyone that the No Show report for prelims and finals is due with the end of meet reports within 2 weeks of meet date. Paige is still trying to get these

reports from December and February meets. Starting with long course championship meets, the \$100 fine for not submitting this report will be in place and teams will be fined.

2. Athlete Summit cost \$7500 to send 6 athletes to the Southern Zone Athlete Summit in Louisville Kentucky in June. Paige Sikkema will attend as a chaperone. Motion to approve the \$7500 needed for the Gulf attendees at this meeting. Athletes were chosen based on specific meeting attendance and application. This will be an educational weekend. This event is 100% covered by the Gulf. Motion approved.
3. Clarification of the 4 hour rule for club meets. This information is in the Policies and Procedures manual. The start of each season is considered to be the start of the session. The finish of each session shall be considered the start of the last heat of swimmer who falls under the auspices of this rule. The fine for each swimmer who violates the rule is double the splash fee charged by swimmer/splash.

c. Executive Director

d. Finance

1. Travis reviewed the LSC 990 form. All was in order at audit.
2. P & L statements and balance sheet and budget were reviewed. Higher trend than last year with increase in splash fees. We are on track and where we should be for this time of year. Investments and unrealized gain was better last year. Information will be available to clubs and staff as requested.

e. Safe Sport report approved via consent agenda.

f. TPC

1. Davis Peden gave report. This information was presented at open meeting and reviewed at April BOD meeting. Championship season compressed into three weekends due

to timing of 4th of July holiday. Age group Gulf Champs and Gulf Sr Champs on same weekend followed by B & Under Champs and then the final week is Summer Champs. Weekend of 12th-14th will have Gulf Sr Champs recommended TWST as host site. Gulf Age Group Champs recommended CFSC and no format changes. B & Under Champs meets were very small last year. Meets will be two sessions both genders at one session on Sat and one session on Sun. Bidders recommended are: TASC, LSST, MAC, SHAC. Recommended host sites based on teams that bid and geographic location south of I10. TASC/LSST/MAC had bigger officials base. MARC owner took floor to express disappointment having run this meet two years in a row and not being awarded it again this year Frustration with the selection process was noted as well as the distance from MARC to I 10 in relation to some of the awarded teams She spoke to the extremely active officials on their team. Past few years 250 athletes at each site. Even with SHAC, 3/4 of athletes will still drive north of I10. She asked to revisit the bidding for this meet. She pointed out that being present at the bid meeting isn't part of the process. Charlie spoke to this year's bid meeting being online via Zoom and a motion would need to be made to reconsider host teams as presented by the TPC after the original motion was presented. July 26-28 Summer Champs meet. Format change for this meet. This year, TPC recommends one meet series all age groups with AB finals. Time standard qualifications same as last year. 12 & Unders must have 1 BB time to compete and 14 Unders cannot have a Gulf Champs time and compete at this meet. 3 bidders and CFSC withdrew. FCST and KATY/PACE will host this meet. Motion to approve the TPC report as presented . Motion seconded. Motion made to reconsider meet hosts for B & Under Champs. No second so motion to reconsider failed. Original motion passed.

- g. Two teams that petitioned to join Gulf LSC would like to join our Summer Champs meet series. They have to get approval from both Gulf and ST LSCs to make this change. We need to vote to allow them into our Champs meet series. Verbiage on announcements will include exception listing these teams to be entered in these meets. Herb spoke in favor of this motion

because our LSC has already voted to add them. Motion to allow Tiger Sharks and Platinum Aquatics to join us for Gulf meets moving forward. Motion seconded. Motion approved.

VI. New Business

Question about Sr Zones reimbursements with required cuts dropped from meet. Discussion around requirements for athletes to be reimbursed because of this issue. Motion made and seconded that in order to file for reimbursement for Sr Zones 2024, the athlete must have had the Zones time standards from previous year(2023) which are the 15-16 AA time standards. The dates for the times earned would have to be from Jan 1, 2023 to Jul 23, 2024. Motion approved.

VII. Adjournment