

MAGSA Meeting Minutes
Sakamoto Pool – February 21, 2012

I Call to Order: 7:02PM

A. Present:

HSC: Reid Yamamoto (Maui At Large rep- LSC)
LAH: Ron Richmond (VP), Tom Popdan (Head Coach)
GOLD: Susan Suzuki (Pres)
MDSC: Malcolm Cooper (Age Group Chair)
MAUI: Ruth Murata (Official's rep), Cea Romero (Secretary)
SMS: Becky Hirsch (new Treasurer)

B. Quorum? YES!

II Review/Approval of Minutes from 1/17/12: approved (Ruth moved, Reid 2nd) with addition of Ruth Murata (MAUI) and correction of LUNA to replace LHS (per Candace)

III Treasurer's Report

- A. Current balance: \$6576.84. (This includes a check for GE tax \$489.32 and the deposit from Hawaiian swimming that Malcolm gave to me last meeting)
- B. Other expenditures: need to be reimbursed the remainder of the money owed to us from Hawaiian Swimming for states.

IV Old Business/New Business

- A. welcome Becky Hirsch, new MAGSA Treasurer (replacing Debi Sawzynech)
- B. High School States 2/10/12 – 2/11/12
 - 1. ran smoothly, great shirts
 - 2. question on relay lead-off legs: why not in SWIMS? Peggy Glasgow says they are never reported to SWIMS. Sandy Drake says backstroke was watched for legal strokes, touchpads working properly, so times should go into SWIMS. Follow-up will happen – working to get them included.
 - 3. next time State meet is on Maui
 - a. concessions should be available
 - b. sell heat sheets
 - c. pool measurements made BEFORE meet on daily basis
- C. rethinking the Spring LCM Schedule – Malcolm
 - 1. proposal to change MAGSA schedule to A/B rather than A/B/C
 - 2. gives swimmers more chances to swim different events, win different events, make times closer to States, rotate events w/in A/B scheds so events NOT always in same order at each meet
 - 3. swimmers limited to 4 events (incl. 8-under), except 400 IM, 500, 800 and 1500 free as second meet for 13-over (500 for 12-under still included in regular meet)
 - 4. Tom Popdan (LAH) opposes change to A/B/C schedule, likes it the way it is now, feels it is a great schedule that prepares swimmers well for States, gives them opportunities w/in the meet to better their times on the same event (e.g. first 100 fly w/in 200 fly and 400 IM), swimmers know what events are at each meet, no confusion

5. MAGSA board decided to get **coaches vote** rather than MAGSA board vote,
 - a. Malcolm will send out email to coaches to see if they want to continue discussion, table decision, stay status quo or make change
 - b. Status quo until coaches provide input. **Please provide input by Sunday, February 26th.**
- D. Tom feels Malcolm used to be best at what he does, but is now “detached” from swimmers, and that MAGSA leadership NOT doing the best for the swimmers in last three years
 1. statement was made when swimmers were already on the block for next event, swimmer questioned situation as “bickering”
 2. pool measurements were made in the middle of the HHSAA state meet – why not prepared for meet? Also made at SCM-X meet.
 - a. psychologically throws swimmers off thinking their times may not count
 - b. Malcolm explained that
 - 1) lane lines seemed to be slack at HHSAA state meet, so measurements were made in the middle of the meet to avoid times being thrown out later due to pool measurements not being accurate (happened a few years ago)
 - 2) Masters meets requires measurements to be made before and after meets if bulkhead is used, which is why measurements were made at SCM-X meet 2/18/12
 - c. maybe an announcement could have been made to inform people about what was happening, although that could have had opposite effects
 3. should use double lane-lines per lane to decrease turbulence, better flags to improve conditions for swimmers, make pool faster
 - a. Reid will take this issue to LSC
 - b. Reid suggested other concerns could be brought to him to be passed on to LSC, or emailed directly to Larry Oshiro
- E. Tom questioned why converted times (not actual times) being used for entries
 1. being used by LSC
 2. don’t have to use it for MAGSA
 - a. entry person can click option to use converted times or not
 - b. CoC at meet can click option to use converted times or not

V Next Meeting date: Tuesday, March 20, 2012

VI Adjournment: 8:50PM

Respectfully submitted,
Cea Romero, 2/22/12