LOUISIANA SWIMMING, INC. House of Delegates Meeting 27 August 2022

In attendance:

Joie Stanley, Lomaz Napper, Allison Kluchner, Tyler YNWL, Layla Allen, Colleen Barczyk, Chip Boxant, C. Brandao, Sofia Giarrusso, Anna Guidroz, Mariana Klein, William Dejean, Blaise Boyd, Kayleigh Jollands, Scott Robinson, Butch Jordan, Eric Beach, Courtney Ridell, Fletch, Mike Falati, Joan Casseri, Sue Fins, Travis JASL, Judy Ramirez, Billy Newport, Riptide, Chris Prator, Robby Fritscher, John Janszen, TAQ, Chip Bozant, Sarah Landreneau, Emmet Smith, Marie Landreneau, Chris COAST, Allan SPARTAN, O.J. Messina, C. Brandao, Enzo, Scott Robinson, SLST, Rocky Smith, SHARKS, TAQ, Warren Lind, Rick Bishop, Lillian Tichenor, Anthony Mayo, Angela Carter, Kayden Hedrick, Ross Hedrick.

I. Call to Order:

The Zoom meeting was called to order at 1:00 pm by Mike Falati, General Chair.

II. Review and Approval of the Minutes from 21 & 22 September 2021.*A MOTION was made, SECONDED and PASSED to accept the minutes as posted.

III. Officers' Report:

*General Chair Report: Mike Falati reported that the spring coaches clinic will be held in New Orleans on March 29th and 30th in New Orleans. A great slate of speakers committed to this clinic. He thanked everyone who worked and submitted the Leap Level 3 requirements. The Southern Zone Meeting will be held by Zoom on 18 September. *Registration Chairman, Judy Ramirez reported that Swims 3.0 will come online 1 September. It will be necessary for parents to set up an account through USAS in order to register their athletes and pay the appropriate fees through the site. A tutorial for parents and coaches is available through USAS. The payment does not include club fees and there is a separate link for outreach swimmers. After 1 September, new swimmers should go to the link and register, returning athletes should do so in October. All swimmers, coaches and registered personnel will receive a new I. D. Do not use this site for meet sanctions. It was suggested that coaches copy their Deck Pass certification until the process is complete in order to maintain access. *Treasurer's Report: At this time all required records have been sent in and financials look solid. Warren Lind will have a full financial accounting for the next Executive Board Meeting at the end of the fiscal year. *Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion: O.J. Messina requested that each team upon receiving a questionnaire answer the questions and send him a list of their team's needs and/or those of the LSC so as to establish and maintain a mission and understanding of fairness in sport. *Safe **Sport:** John Janszen reported that there is no more 30-day grace period for swimmers 18 years of age or older. Teams can apply for Safe Sport Team certification 1 November. People now taking Safe Sport will be linked with their team affiliation through the family registration on the USAS site. Bullying should be handled at the team level under the team policy which can be copied from the USAS bullying policy. *Athlete Representative: Marie Landreneau would appreciate all teams become involved with donating food to a local food band in their area in

connection with the Thanksgiving Holiday. Items will be collected 21 October through 21 November. The event will be kicked off on Instagram. Team representatives will be responsible for turning in the names of the donation sites and number of items donated, and pictures of team members with the canned goods. Warren Lind, Treasurer, committed funding for prizes to the three teams bringing in the largest donations. The details of this endeavor will be decided by the team athlete representatives. *Age Group Chairman: Joie Stanley stated that 50 swimmers have registered prior to tomorrow's deadline for registration for the November Camp. A coach's track will be held in conjunction with this camp. The coaches in attendance helped make this Zone Meet a success. *Official's Chair: Lomaz Napper would appreciate an email from head coaches with the names of your team's officials so that he can update his records.

IV. Swimmer of the Year:

Age Group Female Nominations: Kendal Jollards, Evie Landry, Sophia Sims, and Haley Valdine.

Age Group Female Swimmer of the Year is **Kendal Jollands** of CCSC.

Age Group Male Nominations: Eli Clavier, Eric Ring, and Wesley Wynn.

Age Group Male Swimmer of the Year is Eric Ring of HSC.

Senior Female Nominations: Marie Landreneau and Lillie Tichenor.

Senior Female Swimmer of the Year is Marie Landreneau of COLA.

Senior Male Nominations: William Dejean and Derek Zhang.

Senior Male Swimmer of the Year is William Dejean of CRAW.

V. State Meet Sites and Dates:

Age Group Short Course State Meet:

MOTION made, SECONDED and **PASSED** for Age Group State Meet to be held <u>February 9-12 at LSU</u>.

Senior Short Course State Meet:

MOTION made, SECONDED and **PASSED** to hold Senior Short Course State meet on <u>23-26</u> February in Sulphur (SPAR).

Senior Long Course State Meet:

MOTION made, SECONDED, and PASSED to hold the meet 13-16 July.

A vote was taken between the holding the meet in Baton Rouge or Shreveport.

The Senior Long Course State Meet will be held in Shreveport.

Age Group Long Course State Meet:

MOTION made, SECONDED, and DENIED to hold the meet 20-23 July.

MOTION made, SECONDED and PASSED to hold the meet 6-9 July.

Tiger Aquatics agreed to hold the meet at LSU.

VI. Proposals:

A MOTION was made, SECONDED, and PASSED to hold the High-Performance Camp in odd numbered years west of the Mississippi River and in even years east of the Mississippi River. A MOTION was made, SECONDED, and PASSED to enter exhibition relays on a first come basis into open lanes only in the Senior Championship Meets. These exhibition relays have no ability to score points and no additional heats will be added. "C" relays will be honored before "D" and "E" relays. A committee will determine the seeding for the heats.

A MOTION was made, SECONDED, and **PASSED** to offer 50's in the fly, back, and breast to the events in the Long Course Senior State Meet. Qualifying times for those events will be the 100 times in the same event. There will be no increase to the entry limit of 6 individual events. **A MOTION** was made, SECONDED, and **PASSED** to adjust Senior State qualifying times for the 800/1000 Free at the "A" standard +:10 and the 1500/1650 Free at the "A: standard +:20. The option to swim the additional event if the time standard is made in one event still is in place. **A MOTION** was made, SECONDED, and **PASSED** in the Age Group State Meets to move the 400 Free Relay to Thursday PM and the 400 Medley Relay to Friday AM.

A MOTION was made, SECONDED, and **FAILED** for only distributing awards in the Age Group State Meet to first, second, and third place in each event and awarding those medals during the breaks in the meet. A committee will look into the feasibility of giving those awards at the meet to the top three; however, continuing to give awards through 16th place.

A MOTION was MADE, SECONDED, and **PASSED** to add a ready and walk out area to the 14 and Under State Meet.

A MOTION was made, SECONDED, and PASSED to raise all fees for the four State Championships. An individual event charge increased to \$6.00, relay events to \$14.00, and host team support to \$8,000. The surcharge will remain unchanged.

A similar proposal to adjust revenue was PULLED.

A MOTION was made, SECONDED, AND **FAILED** to move the 200 Medley Relay from Sunday to Saturday and move the 200 Free Relay from Saturday to Friday in all the State Championship Meets.

A MOTION was made, SECONDED, and **PASSED** to award team banners to the first, second, and third place finishing teams in the State Championship meets. Fourth through eight place banners can be requested by teams placing 4 through 8 and delivered to those teams in a timely manner.

VII. Election of Officers:

Colleen Barczyk nominated the following names be placed forth for election:

General Chairman: Sarah Landreneau

Vice Chairman: John Janszen Senior Chairman: Ross Hedrick

Coaches Representatives: Mike Falati and Chris Prator

All Officers were elected by Acclimation.

VIII. Scheduling:

Posted on the Louisiana Swimming, Inc. Web page.

IX. Adjournment:

The meeting was adjourned at 3:45 PM.

Respectfully submitted, Joan K. Casseri