## **Age Group Chair Report**

May 2015

## **Swimposium**

Our Swimposium is set for Sunday, September 13<sup>th</sup> at Bowdoin College. So far we have booked the following:

Brendan Hansen: 6 time Olympic medalist. Former world record holder in the 100 & 200 Breaststroke.

Cost to LSC: \$3000

Frank Keefe: Coached Yale for 32 years, currently with Villanova. Head Coach of the 1988 US Olympic Team.

Cost to LSC: no cost

David Benzel: CEO and founder of Growing Champions for Life, Inc. David's presentations about improving the youth

sport experience are relevant to coaches, parents & athletes.

Cost to LSC: \$1000

**Officials Clinician:** We have yet to secure the clinician for the Official's portion of the Swimposium. There are several available depending on what we want for our focus for that presentation.

**Other guests:** Cathy Durance, Member Services Coordinator at USA Swimming, will be on hand and would like to attend our HOD on Saturday. We may be able to book an additional athlete (female) for another \$3000. Josh Davis will be providing us with a list of potential athletes to see if this is something we would like to pursue. Per our agreement with New England Swimming we will be inviting their members to register for this Swimposium.

**Other costs:** We are encouraged to provide lunch the day of the Swimposium for the clinicians. We may incur a rental fee from Bowdoin. If we wanted to host a dinner for the clinicians on Saturday night, or provide thank you gifts, we would be responsible for that.

## **Athlete Recognition**

This was the first year we attempted to recognize a Junior athlete and Senior athlete each month for their swimming accomplishments. I was not consistent with asking for nominations. Voting was lackluster. It wasn't a very successful 1<sup>st</sup> run. Mary Ellen has agreed to take over the communication with coaches so hopefully we have better results moving forward. We did award Swimmer of the Month awards to a Junior & Senior athlete for the months of October through February.

October: Marshall Lowery & Kaia Wirth

November: Greg Violette & Emma Frothingham December: Harry Homans & Brim Peabody January: Harry Homans & Brim Peabody February: Jake Perron & Emily Ecker

Respectfully submitted,

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