

HSL Board Meeting

Wednesday, September 22, 2021

Meeting called to order 7:05PM

Quorum – 7:05PM

In Attendance

Executive Committee

President	Lauren Stouten
Secretary	Dottie Drinan
Head Official	Paul McEndree
Treasurer	Kathryn Gnagey
Statistician	Chris Bley

Team Representatives

Aberdeen	Jessica Wehde
Aqua Culture	Chad La Fleur
Arena Club	Renee Mann
Bel Air	x
Belcamp	x
Emmorton	Tracy Milstead
Fallston	Lisa Quigley
Fountain Green	Jim Quinn
Joppatowne	Nicole Berg (phone)
Maryland Golf	x
North Harford	Aaron Hankins
Rockspring	Allen Clark
Valleybrook	Tom King
Other Attendees	Jess Marx Sam Lopez (phone) Allen Clark Leslie Zeigler

Adoption of May 2021 Meeting Minutes

Review of meeting minutes from March 2021. Corrections made and votes on whether or not to accept the previous months' minutes.

[Motion to accept May 2021 meeting minutes](#)

[Vote by general consensus. No objections](#)

[May 2021 minutes accepted by unanimous vote](#)

Officer Reports

President

- Thanked everyone for a great season

Secretary

- Nothing

Head Official

- Nothing

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Treasurer

- Nothing

Statistician

- Executive Board recommends division structure and teams as planned for 2020 season
- Discuss further after elections

Unfinished Business

Elections

- The Board acknowledges that according to the Bylaws, there should have been a Nominating Committee established in 2020 to search for, compile, and review nominations for upcoming Executive Committee positions. Similar to elections held in 2019 and 2020, a Nominating Committee was not formed, and elections moved forward without such committee. Discussions proceeded about how elections will be handled for upcoming vacancies in 2022.
- Head Official – Paul McEndree seeking re-election
- Treasurer – Zero nominations via email, prior to meeting
- Treasurer – Nomination of Chad La Fleur from the floor
- Statistician – Sam Lopez via email
- Statistician – Schniqua Roberts via email

Motion #1 – To not follow the Bylaws requiring a Nominating Committee, and to accept nominations already received via email and from the floor and vote on elections at 9/2021 meeting.

Motion made by Chris Bley, Motion Seconded by Paul McEndree

Motion passed – 14 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain, 3 Not Present

See attached voting record

Vote held by general consensus to elect Paul McEndree as Head Official for 2021-2023 term

Vote held by general consensus to elect Chad La Fleur as Treasurer for 2021- 2023 term

Vote held by secret ballot for Statistician – Sam Lopez 9 votes – Schniqua Roberts 5 votes – Sam Lopez wins Statistician election.

- Nominating Committee Volunteers – Aaron Hankins and Renee Mann. Other committee members will either volunteer or be appointed at October meeting.

New Business

Review Potential Team Dismissal from HSL

- Discussion of why this topic was an item on the agenda. The Bylaws state that a team may be dismissed from the HSL if they participate in any meet with less than 35 swimmers. Since two teams didn't have any swimmers on their teams (Belcamp and Emmorton), and one team (Joppatowne) had less than 35 swimmers on their team, their membership could be revoked. Emmorton was concerned because they thought they needed to defend their membership, but the Executive Committee assured them there was no intention of removing them or the other two teams, but covering the topic was required by the Bylaws. Nobody voiced any intention of challenging continuation of the three teams' membership in HSL.

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- Discussion of this topic raised other concerns about general communications amongst the Board. Reps are encouraged to use the Executive Committee email address for all communications and to not just directly email one individual Executive Committee member. Additionally, the need for a communication list for team reps was expressed by many Board members, especially for communications during the season.
- It was noted that while the HSL collected the Head Tax from teams, Team Dues have not been collected for a few years. We will need to discuss what Dues need to be collected from teams for the 2022 season.

Schedule Recommendation

- The Executive Committee recommended the division structure and teams as they were planned for 2020 season.
- Fountain Green indicated they don't want to have to swim against another in division team multiple times in the same season.
- Aqua Culture wants to swim same sized teams at meets.
- Multiple teams indicated there were problems with the flexible meet scheduled (different days of week and different times of day)
- Jess Marx mentioned that meet building was difficult with varied days.
- Board agreed to table the schedule discussion until October meet.
- All teams were asked to bring proposed schedule recommendation to the Executive Board for the discussion at the October meeting.

Open for Discussion

- Ribbon coordination – Mrs. Weaver has done ribbon coordination for many years in the past. The Executive Board didn't want to make assumptions about whether or not she wanted to continue to be the point person for ribbons, but Leslie will check with her to see if she is still interested in doing it.
- Financial Audit – The Executive Committee still needs to get the signed copy of the Financial Audit report.

Motion to Adjourn

8:27PM – Meeting Adjourned

Next meetings

Board Meeting – October 13th @7:00PM – In person at BAAC