

**Heartland Area YMCA Swim Committee**  
**held at Four Rivers YMCA**  
**August 25, 2019--1:00 PM**  
**Minutes**

**Attendance:** *BOOY*-Bonnie Gerke, Marie Pope; *CMTY*-Danielle Wildermuth; *CRCY*-Mike Pappas; *EJFY*-Erin Rhodes; *EDWY*-Bob Rettle; *FAFY*-Lyman Burr; *FRAY*-Samantha Riegel; *HHST*- Renee Bennett; *HTCY*-Megan Ingram; *JCAY*-Lisa Dyer; *KWBY*- Victoria Kramer; *MCFY*-Kevin Jokisch; *MEXY*-Matthias McManus, Pat Schindler, Chris Burle; *MAYM*-Charles LaGarce, Travis Coffey; *OPFY*-Terea Goodwin; *OPY*-Gary Evans; *PJFY*- Aurielia Burr; *SCCY*-Kale Kirchner; *SCFY*-Rachel Graczak; *SCTY*-Stephen Pyle; *SEYY*- Rachel Lowry, David Moore; *TCAY*-Nancy Miller; *TPFY*-Joe MacLaughlin; *WCFY*-Julie Nogalski; *WWFY*- Angie Shaddick, Jen Humphrey; *YOCC*-Sara McDaniel, Kimmi Schattgen; *YOSI*-Etienne Thro

Absent: BMSTY

**Executive Committee:** Jacques Thro, Patty Draves, Nancy Miller, Anne Schneider, Dana LeVasseur, Doug Telford.

Absent: none

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Jacques Thro welcomed everyone to the fall meeting. No new teams have been added to the Area. YOFM and RLAY have disbanded indefinitely.

The sign in sheet and team roster were passed around, and a request was made for everyone to update their team information. Any team with a TeamUnify site was asked to make a notation on their roster information as well.

**Chair Comments – Jacques Thro**

No chairman comments were presented at this meeting.

**August Meeting's Minutes** -- Motion made to approve minutes Lyman Burr 1<sup>st</sup>; Erin Rhodes 2<sup>nd</sup>; **APPROVED**

**Financial Statement**

- Statement balance as of July 2019 was noted as \$3068.03.
- Today's lunch receipts have been presented for reimbursement.
- Doug will be purchasing 50 mini USA-S rulebooks to distribute at the 2019-2020 trainings to new trainees.

**Old Business**

- **Volunteer Matters/Verified Volunteers: Background Check Procedures/Child Abuse Prevention**

- Volunteer Matters is a national YMCA volunteer management program set in place to help track volunteer service hours both locally and nationally. It also helps ensure program safety by performing background checks of all volunteers.

- All YMCA's throughout the nation are being asked to comply with this program.
- It is the responsibility of each team to ensure that their personnel complete registration for Volunteer Matters/Verified Volunteers.
- Current standards established within Gateway Region YMCA, and encouraged for all other regions, require the following individuals to register with Volunteer Matters/Verified Volunteers:
  1. Coaches who are not on payroll
  2. Swim Meet Officials
  3. Building Supervisors
  4. Swim Team Parent Board
- For all other volunteer positions not listed above, collect volunteer names, birthdates, email addresses and phone numbers on a spreadsheet. Work with membership team to run names through Raptor system if not already in Daxko database.
- **Regional Team Breakdowns**
  - Readdressed Regional divisions with the disbanding of YOFM and RLAY.
  - Currently there are 5 East teams, 10 West teams, and 13 Central teams.
  - According to the 2018-2019 rosters, East has 476 swimmers without RLAY participating; West has 467 swimmers, and Central has 730 swimmers.
  - To provide some additional balance, the executive board asked the committee to consider moving the westward outlying Central teams of HHST or TPFY to the West Region, moving the eastward outlying Central teams of SCFY, SCTY, MCFY, and OFPY to the East Region.
  - Discussions continued about the impact such a move would have on the affected teams.
  - Questions asked were whether current regions feel they can adequately handle and finance their current Regional Championships? Does the Area have enough teams and officials to expand to include another region? what impact would there be if we consolidated into two regions?
  - After much consideration, the committee decided to leave the region divisions as is.
- **Bylaw changes**
  - Updated Heartland Area Bylaws and Rules were presented to committee for approval. Renee Bennett 1<sup>st</sup>; Rachel Graczak 2<sup>nd</sup> **(PASSED)**
  - The proposal that the Heartland Area change the age up rule, beginning immediately, to "Age on the first day of the meet shall determine the swimmer's age for the entire meet." was presented for vote. **(PASSED)**
  - The proposal to remove bylaw and rule 12.4 stating that certification cards be distributed promptly by Area Designee, and should overnight delivery be required the coach would incur the charge for such service due to the fact that certification cards are no longer issued by YMCA Nationals, was presented for vote.**(PASSED)**
  - The proposal to set medals only through 8<sup>th</sup> place for Regional Championships but continue medals through 16<sup>th</sup> place for Area Championships was presented for vote.**(PASSED)**
- **Bids for 2019-2020 Regional and Area Championships**

- West Regional Championship was uncontested and awarded to MAYM.

## **New Business**

- **Registration Deadlines**—December 1, 2019 is the deadline for teams' registration and coaches' registration submission.
  - Submit copies of team registration submissions and coaches' certification verifications to Patty at [hrtlndYswim@hotmail.com](mailto:hrtlndYswim@hotmail.com).
  - Each team must have a minimum of 1 coach registered by the December 1, 2019 deadline.
  - Penalty for submitting after the December 1, 2019 deadline is \$100 for team registration and \$100 for coaches' registration.
- **Regional Contacts**—Any team needing assistance with registrations and certifications can contact their Regional Representative.
  - East—Stephanie Kraus (YOSI)
  - Central—Anne Schneider (FRAY)
  - West—Lyman Burr (FAFY)
- **Meet Submission**
  - Sign in sheets must be completed with each session and sent to Patty to confirm qualifying meet status. Must be sent in within 2 weeks of the meet's completion.
  - An unlocked Meet Manager backup results file must be submitted within 2 weeks of the meet's completion.
- **Qualifying Time Standards**—Current qualifying time standards remain in effect for the 2019-2020 season.
- **2020 Area and Regional Meets**
  - Regional Championships will be held on March 6-8, 2020. Area Championships will be held on March 20-22, 2020.
  - East Regional will be held at CRCY; Central Regional will be held at Principia College; West Regional will be held at MAYM. Area Championships will be held at the Chuck Fruit Aquatic Center.
  - All Regional and Area Championships will be following Schedule A as defined in the 2019 Bylaws and Rules.
  - Host teams have until October 1, 2019 to review and make any necessary revisions to their session timelines and session offerings.
  - Completed Championship meet packets will be available to the entire committee by mid-November.
- **Officials' Trainings**
  - Regional classes are being offered to best serve volunteers and trainers. Level 1, Level 2 and AO clinics will be offered.
    1. East
      - a. 9/22 YOSI
      - b. \*TENTATIVE 10/25, 10/26, or 10/27 EDWY
    2. West
      - a. \*TENTATIVE 10/18 or 10/19 OPY
      - b. \*TENTATIVE 11/8 or 11/9 MAYM
    3. Central
      - a. 9/7 FRAY
      - b. \*TENTATIVE 11/2 or 11/3 YOCC
- **Invitational Meet Dates**

### September

22 SCFY Time Trial Meet

### November

8-9 MAYM Invitational

10 TCAY All Around

15-16 SCCY Gobbler Games

### January

4 EDWY Sprint Meet

11 WCFY Icebreaker

17-19 YOSI Winter Invitational

26 CMTY Kings of the Pool

### March

6-8 Regional Championships

20-22 Area Championships

### October

6 TCAY October Open

25-27 FAFY National Virtual Meet

25-27 EDWY Halloween Invitational

### December

6-8 CRCY Christmas Classic

21 MEXY Come Meet Santa Pentathlon

### February

2 CRCY Heartbreaker

7-9 HHST Tom and Becky Invitational

15 KWBY Invitational

### **Next Meeting**

- Next meeting will be April 26, 2020 at 1:00 pm at Four Rivers YMCA, Washington, MO.
- A teleconference will be planned for those teams that travel excessive distances in order to attend the committee meeting.
- All other teams are being asked to send a representative to Four Rivers.

**Adjournment**—Bob Rettle 1<sup>st</sup>; Renee Bennett 2<sup>nd</sup>