Roll Call of Delegates

Voting members: Wes Sinclair (CA), Frank Voss (CA), Allison Voss (CA), Peggy Kubala (CSAT), Jacque Grossman (CAT), Jim Keogh (CAT), Owen West (EAC), Brad Hitchings (FAST), Jeff, Jan, and Justin Chatlosh (FAST), Carey Ann Kelley (H2A), Carol Bolgan (H2A), Bill Orton (H2A), Libby Streitenberger (H2A), Jim Smith (MBST), Colette Adams (MBST), Amanda Bowles (MBST), Yuko Gruber (MBST), Ashley Maness (MBST), Doug Fetchen (MPSC), Liz Campbell (MPSC), Molly Stanton (MPSC), Pam Lister (NYST), Lynn Williams (RAYS), Mervyn Faassen de Heer (RAYS), Ashley Ivey (RAYS), Dave Horton (SMRT), Jeff King (SMRT), Brielle Weinstein (SMRT), Colleen Miller (SSS), Ed Miller (SSS), Scott Bonine (TG), Roy Dessloch (TG), Marica Diggelmann (TG), Roger Diggelmann (TG)

Non-voting members: Vicky Montgomery (UN), Robin King (UN), Brenda Rindge(SMRT), Kent Easty (UN), Charlotte Rupp (SMRT), Tommy Bunch (CA), Lorraine Law (PALM), Kensey Morris (RAYS), Dan McDonough (SMRT) Karen King (SMRT), Samantha Klutz (SMRT) Lindsey Moore (SMRT), Phil Carey (SMRT), Austin King (SMRT), Andrew Johnson (PALM), Lee Woods (TG), Sandy White (TG), Christine Hughes (TG), Dave Thomas (USA),

Meeting was called to order by General Chair Vicky Montgomery at 12:00 pm. Meeting minutes approved for September 2006.

Officers Reports

• General Chair (Vicky Montgomery)

- Congratulations on an outstanding All-State. The girls appreciated the shorts, on the other hand, the boys were not as enthusiastic. The two athlete representatives did a wonderful job, athletes overall behaved well and a new number of athletes made All State this year.
- Open Water Camp has been rescheduled until May 2008.
- Mount Pleasant will receive a letter and plaque for all their assistance with the Swimposium this weekend.

Administrative Vice-chair (Charlotte Rupp)

- 203 All-State Honorees and 540 attendees at the banquet and good numbers for all the Swimposium tracks. A special thank you to PALM especially Irene Thornley, H2A, SMRT, MBST and the athletes. The athlete breakfast was well attended and the athletes enjoyed the weekend
- Exception reports for ASC and SMRT are still outstanding
- The website is being used and everything is going well

Finance Vice-chair (Lee Woods and Owen West)

- Membership is up and so are revenues; meet profits have rebounded. Overall on a line item basis the events that are big ticket items have cost less.
- The balance sheet has had the Coaches' Fund money segregated from the operating funds.
 Possibly the Coach Committee will manage this investment account since the LSC is just a custodian of this account.

• Senior Vice-chair (Scott Bonine for Dan McDonough)

- New Senior Committee was formed comprised of: Dan McDonough, Dave Horton, Scott Bonine, Brielle Weinstein, Molly Stanton, and Sam Woods.
- Identify Short Course Nationals as a new level for reimbursement.
- Reimbursement of travel for driving mileage will be limited to 800 miles and use of frequent flyer miles is to be encouraged.

• Age Group Vice-chair (Jim Smith)

- The Top-10 has been updated as regularly as possible as coaches send in their results. Not all
 the Y teams that went to Y-Nationals are available due to a difference in coding.
- State Record recording when the tabulator receives updated files; coaches need to file an application but with SC Swimming but no longer need a meet representative signature. Include a hardcopy of swim results. Teams that break relay records must send time, names, event, meet information to the tabulator as this information does not come across. Coaches need to continue to check records on line to verify accuracy and have been doing a really good job thus far.
- Zones Committee is requesting the cost to the athletes be limited to \$650 and that the LSC pay
 the balance of the trip which would cost the LSC an additional \$2600 to \$3000.
- Cell phone policy was approved in the fall. All two way communication is no longer permitted and athletes will be sent home if they are found in violation of the policy. The athlete is responsible for reimbursing the LSC for their contribution to that athlete.
- Zones Team has been limited to 38 athletes for 2007; the selection process will remain the same.

Safety (Roy Fakoury)

Not present, no report.

Secretary (Robin King)

o General Chair introduced Robin as the new Secretary to the Board of Directors.

Technical Planning Chair (Roy Dessloch)

 We have schedule we are going to present under New Business and we are going to try and get the Jennifer Smith relay off the ground in the next short course season.

Membership/Registration Coordinator (Doug Fetchen)

- Background Screening checks will require that coaches have a green card to replace the blue card. Friday, May 4th is the end date to be able to still get on deck with the old card. You can still complete the background screening after this date, however, if you do not have the new card, you will need to bring the receipt showing you applied. Any new coaches hired will have to complete the background screen before hire. Currently, 62 of the 85 coaches have completed this mandatory requirement.
- This is only the second time we have had more than 2000 members; current membership is at 2062 with one team approaching 300 athletes, two teams with over 200, two teams about to break 200, and eight teams with over 100 athletes.

Legislative Chair (Tommy Bunch)

See New Business

Coaches Representative (Scott Bonine)

- o Zone Head Coach is Doug Fetchen and the team will include Jeff Mead, Kara Adloff, Lori Balint
- o The coaches have selected Liz Campbell as their new representative
- Thank you to Charlotte Rupp who will be missed

Athlete Report (Roger Diggelmann)

- The Pancake Breakfast was held this morning and elections were held for new officers; the new senior reps are Molly Stanton and Brielle Weinstein and the new junior reps are Christine Hughes and Mack Montgomery, and the new secretary is Yuko Gruber.
- o Thank you to Mrs. Rupp for a wonderful dance
- Suggestions for the athletes' gift for next year are a zip-up warm up jacket, towel or T-shirt
- Congratulations from the chair to all the new athlete reps and we hope to see you at the convention

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Committee Reports

- Officials (Kent Easty) Progress is being made in getting more officials on deck; State Meet probably had more officials than any time in the last five years. E-mail Kent Easty or Jim Keogh if any your club is interested in an officials' clinic. Clinics are being scheduled; there will be one in Myrtle Beach on May 26, and in June in Beaufort; possibly a clinic for H2A and FINS will be scheduled. The more officials we have the better off we are going to be and we are looking to upgrade current officials into starters and reps allowing for each of the clubs to run their own meets.
- Nominating (No Chair Present -Vicky Montgomery reporting) Normally the Nominating Committee is supposed to come up with a slate of interested people who would like to be elected to the Board of Directors. We did produce a Nominating Committee as of last April, however, the chair never participated as expected. Most of the current officers have agreed to continue in their positions if they are elected. A new Nominating Committee is needed because they will be producing a new Administrative, General among others.
- Adaptive Swimming and Outreach (Jim Keogh) The disability policy will be updated on the website
 to include clarifications of what USA Swimming is looking for with this program. There has been
 increased participation from NBST, SSS, RAYS and referees have responded with concerns for their
 athletes to have accommodations to get to the blocks. Outreach has proposed new legislation that will
 be considered under New Business
- Board of Review (David Horton) No current activity.
- Scholarship (Roy Dessloch) –. Marc Herbert was awarded the scholarship for 2007. The endowment will be increased through active participation in the Jennifer Smith Relay Meet. This meet is being specifically geared to increase the endowment to increase scholarships for the athletes.
- Marketing (Brenda Rindge) The Swimposium received exposure through items put into South Carolina papers and a few papers in Georgia. A concerted effort is being made to list more swim results in local papers.
- Observed Swims / Top 16 (Jeff Chatlosh) Top 16 were distributed. Hall of Fame is a new committee being chaired by Eric Boyer to honor people who grew up in South Carolina. His e-mail will be posted on the website soon.

New Business

Roy Dessloch – E-mail was sent and changes have been made to that e-mail to change the Jennifer Smith Relay to a Saturday date and include an Open Water Championship date. We are looking at a Short Course State Championship running Friday through Monday to take advantage of the athletes having Monday off from school. The Palmetto meet is also scheduled earlier than usual. Open Water camp has been deferred for this year; possibly Memorial Day weekend will be the next Open Water Camp. The committee will solicit bids and they will be due by May 18th. The Technical Committee reconvenes on June 17th. Technical Planning schedule is endorsed.

Tommy Bunch – Legislation that has been withdrawn are R6, R10, R16. The Board endorsed R1, R2, R3, R4, R8.R9, R11 and R 12. R15 has been revised as it requires a 90% vote. See attachment.

Roger Diggelmann - We are no longer having qualifiers at High School State. Times will come from meets conducted throughout the high school season, the fastest 10 from the upper, lower and then remaining areas. If there are not thirty times within the A standard then B standard times will be used.

Charlotte Rupp –The General Elections for the Board of Directors are as follows:

Registration Chair – Doug Fetchen MPSC Age Group Chair – Jim Smith MBST Financial Chair – Lee Woods TG Treasurer – Owen West EAC Technical Planning – Roy Dessloch TG Tommy Bunch – PALM (now changed to CA)

Since there is no Nominating Committee it was opened to the floor to take other nominations for these positions, however further nominations were not forthcoming and the current positions were voted on and accepted.

Nominating Committee -

Jim Keogh
Bill Orton
Ed Spencer
Kent Easty
Phil Carey
Yuko Gruber
Merv de Heer Fassen
Karen Johnson

Unanimously favorable

A chair for the Nominating Committee is elected amongst themselves. It is the only committee closed to SC Swimming and no one else is allowed to attend their meetings.

Resolutions and Orders

None.

Announcements

Adjournment at 1:21 pm.