Wyoming Swimming Inc.

Board of Directors Meeting

May 12, 2022

Zoom Platform

The meeting was called to order at 7:04 pm.

Members in attendance:

- Emily Swett- General Chair, Cody Country Aquatics Team
- Sarah Delay-Vice Chair, Cheyenne Swim Club
- Daniel Diver-Treasurer, Powell Swim Club
- George Mathes-Officials Chair, Laramie Swim Club
- Dayna Gripp-Safe Sport Chair, Buffalo Swim Club
- Kevin Montez-Junior Athlete Rep, Laramie Swim Club
- Vivyan Gripp-Senior Athlete Chair, Buffalo Swim Club
- Eric Robinson-Officials Vice Chair, Casper Swim Club

Because there was not a quorum in attendance, minutes from the April 14, 2022 BOD meeting were deferred for approval to the next meeting.

Chair Reports

A. General Chair

- a. Jennifer Hudson Schaff, Daniel Diver, Emily Swett, Jennifer Page, and Kevin Montez attended the USA Swimming Conference in Denver at the end of April.
- b. WYSI is now officially LEAP certified (as of May 12th or 13th).
- c. Jane Grosser with USA Swimming has started to connect WYSI with other LSC's that have strengths that WYSI is looking to improve upon.
- d. Emily plans to further the connection with other LSC's and more interaction with the athlete representatives during the summer 2022 season.

B. Vice-Chair Report

- a. The 2022 Summer State Championship sanction is drafted and should be posted soon. T-shirt representative is ready to go. We should be ready to go with summer state.
- b. Jennifer Page and Sarah need to coordinate to put together the November HOD.
- c. Emily mentioned that we maybe we need to change the timing of HOD?
- d. Emily will work to make sure the HOD is better coordinated this year so that all teams are aware of the timing and what will be discussed.

C. Treasurer Report:

- **a.** SWIMS 3.0 is being rolled out. It will consolidate all databases into one. It will go live on September 1, 2022, no exceptions. The athletes that register through SWIMS 3.0 will directly pay USA Swimming. USA Swimming will then reimburse the local LSC. There are still some questions but more information is to come.
- **b.** A preliminary budget was sent out and two people submitted comments. The budget committee will receive a more update budget (Emily, Daniel, Jason Roessler and an

- athlete rep (potentially Kelly Joyce)). Daniel thinks that we will be in a deficit. There may be a need to increase LSC charges.
- **c.** Financial statements as of March 31st were sent out.
- **d.** Emily and Daniel are the only people that have WYSI credit cards. All other cards have been canceled. Daniel will be reviewing the credit card policy and other people that need cards.

D. Officials Chair:

- a. SWIMS 3.0 will affect OTS and it will down for about 1 year which will be challenging.
- **b.** Scott Powell, the officials chair from Colorado, will be the OQM national evaluator at 2022 Summer State.
- **c.** A team within the Wyoming LSC reached out this week on how to manage a transgender athlete.
- d. The officials committee is proposing a shift in the WYSI policies and procedures related to meet attire. The new proposed provision is: "The proper meet attire for all officials is at the discretion of the official committee. Uniform would be redetermined from time to time". This would allow the officials committee to shift with the national policy without having to update the policies and procedures on a constant basis. The current national standard for officials attire is: white shirt, black pants/shorts/skort/skirt, black socks and black shoes. This shift in attire would occur for the winter season and can be discussed at 2022 summer state HOD.

E. Safe Sport Coordinator:

- a. A Safe Sport program that involves both parents and all athletes will be piloted at the Buffalo Swim Meet to be held in July in Buffalo. All parents and athletes that attend the meet will be invited to a Safe Sport program that will be held on the first evening of the meet. Parents and athletes will watch programs geared toward them and the athlete reps will facilitate the discussion among the athletes. The intent to introduce a "culture shift" in WYSI and make Safe Sport part of everyday activities. All athletes and adults that attend this program will be certified and will not have to take the training again this year. The larger programs will allow teams to be "Safe Sport" recognized.
- **b.** Jackson Hole Stingrays were the first club in Wyoming to be "Safe Sport" recognized.

F. Age Group Chair:

- **a.** Next step is to select chaperones and coaches for Zones. The zones committee will make that selection.
- **b.** Amber Boyson has been approving participants and finalizing caps/clothing.
- **c.** Emily would like to host a Senior Zones team practice Thurs evening prior to Summer State with a dinner after so that members can mingle and get to know each other. This is a good way to introduce coaches and chaperones.

G. Coaches Rep:

a. Nothing to report at this time.

H. Governance Chair:

a. Nothing to report at this time.

I. Athlete Rep:

a. Kevin attended the USA Swimming Conference in Denver. He spoke with other LSC athlete reps about having a WYSI athlete committee. Hold monthly or bi-monthly meetings to discuss issues that athletes may have so that the reps could bring the issues to BOD. "Unite Wyoming" idea has been around for awhile and the athletes are excited about it.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:44 pm.