

South Texas Swimming, Inc.
Board of Directors Meeting
April 12, 2011

Conference Call began at 9:00 PM and meeting was officially called to order at 9:03 PM.

Members present were: Mark Parshall, Tim O'Brien, Frank Swigon, Annette DuVall, BJ Allenstein, Larry Hough, Phil Davis, Trey Kohlhausen, Ron Zolno, Roxanne Balducci, Jessica Hasson and Angella Woodard.

Absent: John Baltzell and Lauren Davis.

Mark Parshall verified a quorum was present.

Annett DuVall, Treasurer, reported the all received officials reimbursement request have been completed. She will send out First Quarter Financials to the board after April 15th.

Old Business:

Mark Parshall, General Chair, reported the Championship Review Meetings held in Austin (April 2, 2011) and San Antonio (April 3, 2011) were well attended and went well. He has posted the suggestions received during the meetings on the STSI website. Plans will be made to hold a second series of meetings in early summer. He requested that BJ Allenstein and Larry Hough work together to develop championship templates incorporating the suggestions received at the meeting so that it will be available for preliminary presentation at the summer meetings.

Frank Swigon, Administrative Vice Chair, reported that revised STSI Bylaws were submitted and approved by USA Swimming. A motion was made, and seconded, to approve the STSI Bylaws as amended by USA Swimming's Rules and Regulations Committee. The motion passed. Forty-eight of the fifty LEAP items have been completed. Annette will complete the one remaining financial item. The second missing item is STSI Rules and Regulations. As our rules and regulations are maintained in the STSI Handbook, it will be submitted to fill the requirement. Prior to submission, the STSI Handbook needs to be updated. The responsibility for updating technically is that of John Baltzell, Technical Chair. Frank will check with John and see if any updating has occurred. If not, Frank will work on the updating process. Frank and Ron Zolno plan to meet on Monday, April 18th, for a final review of the LEAP submissions and then complete the submission to USA Swimming.

Larry Hough, Senior Chair, reported that the template for Long Course Championship Meets had been sent out to the long course meet host.

BJ Allenstein, Age Group Chair, reported that he has been working on Zones plans. Initial estimates for airfare are quite high, so he will continue to search for a more affordable alternative. Quotes for hotel rooms and vans are reasonable and restaurants

have been contacted for quotes on meals. Zones Applications have been posted to the STSI website with a due date of June 6th.

John Baltzell, Technical Chair was not in attendance and no report was submitted.

Trey Kohlhausen, Safety Chair, reported that three reports of occurrence had been submitted.

Angella Woodard, Registration Chair, reported that year to date, 5508 athletes, 12 seasonal athletes, 58 other, 225 coaches, and 110 officials had been registered for a grand total of 5907 registrations. STSI is ahead of last year's registrations by approximately 3.1%. Mark Parshall would like to promote encouraging all teams to register at least two officials next year to address our shortage of officials. Frank Swigon and Ron Zolno suggested that the Officials Committee research sending a representative out to individual team events/parent meetings to educate parents on the benefits of involvement with officiating.

New Business:

National Reimbursement Policy: A special request has been made to reconsider the denied reimbursement of a college swimmer, for costs associated with attendance at Senior Nationals. After much discussion, Frank Swigon made a motion that the reimbursement request be denied as the request is outside the providence of and does not meet the guidelines specified in the STSI Rules and Regulations for travel reimbursement. The motion was seconded and passed.

National Time Standards – Single Year vs. Traditional Age Groups: The use of Single Year vs. Traditional Age Group National Time Standards is causing some degree of confusion in the LSC and a request has been made to address the use of Single Year Age Group National Time Standards. According to STSI Policy, meets may not conflict with South Texas Bid Meets with overlapping time standards. A motion was made and seconded, that all meets held any part of the week (Monday through Sunday) in which the bid meet is to take place, OR in the first four days (Sunday through Wednesday) of the week following week, must use the Traditional Age Group National Time Standards for qualifying into non-championship meets. The motion passed.

Meeting adjourned at 10:25 PM.