

South Texas Swimming, Inc.
Board of Directors Meeting
November 10, 2009

Conference Call began at 9:00 PM and meeting was officially called to order at 9:04 PM.

Members present were: Frank Swigon, Linda Ballo, Annette DuVall, Trey Kohlhausen, John Baltzell, BJ Allenstein, Phil Davis, Donnie Walker and Angella Woodard.

Absent: Mark Parshall, Roxanne Balducci, Leslie Murray, and Larry Hough.

Linda Ballo verified a quorum was present.

Treasurer, Annette DuVall reported that she was working on National Reimbursements. STSI is financially doing well.

John Baltzell, Technical Chair, reported that the STAGS and Sr. Championship Time Standards have been posted. He is working on preparing the STD files and will have them posted shortly. The Policies and Procedures Manual will be updated to reflect necessary changes including the order of events for Championship Meets.

Looking at the proposed change in the way time standards are calculated for Championship Meets, early thoughts include having STAGS as an A Champs Meet, 18 and Under, Prelim/Finals Meet, with no finals for 10 & Unders. Swimmers with three A cuts could swim the full slate of seven events. The BB Champs would be an 18 & Under, Timed Finals Meet, with swimmers having three BB Cuts being allowed to swim bonus events. The B/C Champs would be an 18 & Under, Timed Finals Meet. Bill Thomas is gathering the numbers to see if the early thoughts are feasible. A full plan will be ready for presentation at the February HOD Meeting.

BJ Allenstein, Age Group Chair, reported that all plans are in motion for All Stars. There was great support for All Stars from Corpus and the Valley. The bus is leaving from San Antonio at noon, and stopping in Austin and Round Rock to pick up additional swimmers. The entry fees, hotels, and meals have all been taken care of.

BJ Allenstein will secure a credit card in his name to use exclusively for South Texas All Stars and Zones travel related expenses. The bill from the credit card company will go directly to Annette on a monthly basis.

A committee of Trey Kohlhausen, Bob Renfrew, Mark Parshall and BJ are working on the Zones Selection criteria.

Trey Kohlhausen, Safety Chair, reported there had been five reports of occurrences in the last month. He has changed the Safety Chair contact on the website.

Angella Woodard reported that 3803 athlete registrations, 26 other registrations, 107 coach registrations, and 81 official registrations have been processed since September 1st. Total 2010 registrations to date are 4010.

Fifty-two coaches have been moved to "other" status due to expired registrations. There are three clubs with no certified coaches. This is a quite serious matter as the clubs and coaches are currently without any liability insurance coverage. An action plan was discussed as to the best way to notify the coaches and clubs.

Angella requested that a new fee be put in place for loading times from observed meets into SWIMS. She will submit a proposal at the next board meeting.

New Business:

The board selected the designee for the Outstanding Member Award from the nominations submitted. Frank will submit the winner's name to USA Swimming.

Meeting adjourned at 9:56 PM.