

**Georgia Swimming House of Delegates**  
**Spring Meeting Minutes**  
**April 22, 2017**  
**Marist School, 3790 Ashford Dunwoody Road NE, Atlanta, GA 30319**

Meeting was to begin at 5:30 PM. Time was allowed for members to arrive to the meeting. Started at 5:38.

**1) Roll Call Attendance by General Chair Stu Hixon**

(See attached list of teams)

**2) Approve Fall HOD Minutes**

**Motion.**

**Seconded.**

**All passed. Motion to pass minutes is carried unanimously.**

**3) Officer Reports**

- a. General Chair – Stu Hixon  
No report.
- b. Admin. Vice Chair – Steve Potter  
No report.
- c. Treasurer – Gary Theisen  
No issues to report.
- d. Senior Chair – Beth Winkowski  
Report posted online.
- e. Age Group Chair – Lucas Ferreira  
Report posted online.

**4) Administration Reports**

- a. Registration – Lora Thompson
  - Year – Round Athlete Membership 2017 YTD: 7867
  - Year – Round Athlete Outreach Membership 2017 YTD: 59
  - Year-Round Club Membership 2017 YTD: 59
  - Season 1 Club Membership 2017 YTD: 9
  - Season 2 Club Membership 2017 YTD: 7
  - Non-Athlete Membership 2017 YTD: 683
  - 2017 Coaches and Officials YTD
    - P/T: 226
    - F/T: 156
    - Officials: 278
    - Other: 43
- b. Executive Director – Jessica Cooper  
As submitted.

**5) Committee Reports**

- a. Coaches Chair – John Pepper
  - 49 swimmers attended the clinic with Mike Koleber
  - There were two sessions for coaches with Mike Koleber. 60 – 70 coaches attended the clinics.

There are only 2 coaches signed up for the coaching mentor program.  
We have a \$5,000 budget for clinics. \$1500 of that is for the mentoring program.

b. Officials Chair – Rob Schreer

We have more officials leaving than we have joining. They are renewing their efforts to bring in a sufficient number of officials. It can be made easier for new officials to get started. Stroke and turn officials can do their initial training online. It takes about 35 minutes to get them ready to apprentice. Rob asked the coaches for help recruiting new officials.

USAS is coming out with a stringent interpretation on the use of tape. Covering a wound or “buddy taping” finger if okayed by the Meet Referee. Kinesio tape is not allowed.

They are working on a resource list to help clubs find officials.

c. Technical Planning – Jonathan Foggin

i. Division Update

ii. Approval of 2017 – 2018 Short Course Meet Schedule

**Motion.**

**Seconded.**

**All passed. Motion to Approve 2017 – 2018 Short Course Meet Schedule is carried unanimously.**

d. Safety Chair – Kate Dunne

No report.

e. Safe Sport – Ceci Christy

Report posted online.

f. Diversity Chair – Tommy Jackson

We have two athletes and one coach attending the Zone Diversity Camp.

We have one athlete attending the National Diversity Camp.

g. Disability Chair – Glenda Orth

Report posted online.

h. Athlete Reps – Harrison Wayner

They explained the duties of the Athlete Representatives. They understand the need for more athlete representation in the LSC. The athletes did enjoy the clinic. They liked that the coach was not from our LSC. Approximately 10 athletes stayed after the clinic for the meetings. The athletes suggested more social events may help entice swimmers to get involved with the LSC. The athletes voiced do not like the absorption of the All-Star towels. The athletes want more food at meets.

**6) Old Business**

**7) Elections**

a. General Chair (Nominee: Stu Hixon, RAYS (2<sup>nd</sup> term))

**Elected by acclamation.**

b. Secretary (Nominee: Jason Meszaros, CCAC (1<sup>st</sup> term))

Sydney Pepper, DAQ (1<sup>st</sup> term) was nominated on the floor by Beth Winkowski.

**Jason Meszaros elected by paper vote.**

- c. Senior Chair (Nominees: Beth Winkowski, DYNA (1<sup>st</sup> full term after completing predecessor's term); Doug Gjertsen, SA (1<sup>st</sup> term))

**Beth Winkowski elected by paper vote.**

- d. Nominating Committee

Andy Shields, Jeff Pishko, Andrew Tang (athlete) are leaving the committee.

Stephen Potter – Volunteered

Sydney Pepper – Nominated on the floor by Beth Winkowski

Carlin Hudson (athlete) – Volunteered

**Stephen Potter, Sydney Pepper, and Carlin Hudson elected by acclimation.**

#### **8) New Business**

- a. Fall 2017 Meeting Date

The Fall meeting date will be decided at a later date.

- b. Buddy Baark

A long time Georgia coach, Buddy Baark recently passed away. He devoted 59 years to coaching. Emerging Coach Award to be named Buddy Baark Emerging Coach Award

#### **9) Adjournment**

**Motion to adjourn.**

**Second.**

**None opposed. Motion carries**

Meeting Adjourned at 6:43 PM.

Minutes submitted for approval by GA LSC Secretary, Jason Meszaros