



BOD Conference Call Minutes

July 24, 2019

The call began at 8:30pm

BOD members present:

Steve Potter (DAQ), Jamey Myers (SCAT), Gary Theisen (SA), Jonathan Shaheen (CCAC), Ed Saltzman (DYNA), Sarah-Grace Thompson (SA), Wes Hamborg (WRA), Ceci Christy (DYNA), Lucas Ferreira (GA), John Pepper (CBF), Beau Caldwell (SEGA)

GA Swimming staff present:

Megan Kingsley

Meeting was called to order at 8:34pm by Steve Potter. A quorum was established.

A discussion started in regards to getting minutes transferred to a summary of bylaw decisions. Potter explained that in 7.2 that we will stick to what we have today, and we will add later if we need, and this passed, and that these are picked up from the motion made yesterday, and carried forward from our previous system. Potter, Myers, and Caldwell said they would clarify this once all bylaw revisions were made.

Motion (Caldwell): to approve minutes from July 10, and table minutes from July 23 (Ferreira, second).

No discussion

Motion approved unanimously

Discussion ensued in regards to setting the agenda for the evening. Caldwell suggested to review all of our decision points, but Potter did not want to reopen discussions. Hamborg suggested that we should circle back since we agreed on this in earlier discussions, specifying setting the board before discussing at-large members. Potter clarified topics we circled back to, referencing 3.1 and 5.1, second coach reps, and referring to Georgia Swimming as GSI. Hamborg suggested we consider 5.2 since we added officials and tech planning as BOD members. Caldwell clarified the board we have proposed sitting at 73% non-athlete members and 26% athlete members, saying we have added officials and tech-planning, but not any "at-large" BOD members. Caldwell suggested to table this and send it to the governance committee after the HOD meeting. Hamborg decided to not make a motion in regards to this topic.

Discussion ensued from Ferreira about term limits in 6.6.3, saying there was some confusion about language that comes up in the document. Ferreira referenced footnote 33 in regards to term limits.

Motion (Potter): under 6.6.3, we are going to strike the italicized portion "secretary & treasurer" (Ferreira)

Discussion began with Christy asked a question about Safe Sport Chair, as she was appointed by the last GC, and asked when her term would expire. Potter clarified that this doesn't apply to Safe Sport Chair, and she may serve until incapacitated. Caldwell commented that we should think about the position itself and not the person in the position.

Proposed Amendment (Caldwell): we will strike the italicized portion of treasurer, but keep the secretary (Potter did not accept)

Shaheen asked Caldwell to clarify why he would only strike the treasurer.

Motion carries with all in favor and Caldwell dissenting

Potter led with a discussion regarding the Officials chair.

Motion (Potter): to accept Saltzman's officials chair description as read by Potter with the addition of 'advice and consent of the BOD' (Saltzman second)

Discussion: Point of clarification that the Officials chair, tech planning, and safe sport chair are appointed positions.

Motion passes unanimously

Discussion ensued on rediscussing previously decided points, with Potter referencing section 3. Caldwell explained how we rediscussed changing article 3.1, as we were unclear of what this point was referencing during our first discussion.

Discussion ensued about group member representation, point G. Caldwell discussed that our general theme has been that we don't want to make any major changes. Caldwell also mentioned that in our current board, we have 1 club/group with 3 representatives, saying it's not hurting our board to have 3 members from Dynamo on the board, and asking to entertain why we need to reduce to two when it sounds arbitrary. Potter said that the current resolution is that Christy would unattach herself, since she doesn't have an athlete competing and does not have an athlete competing for their club. Pepper explained how we got to this point. Caldwell agreed with Pepper's explanation, but said it did not address why we need to reduce from 3 to 2 from the same group. Theisen explained how 2 is a good number. Hamborg said we're looking for more variety of club participation. Caldwell explained how Theisen is in the same situation with Swim Atlanta. Potter echoed Theisen saying that 2 is a good number, and having the potential 3rd member from a specific club unattach themselves is a good plan. Clarification was made regarding athlete representatives and that they are not counted toward group member representation. Caldwell reiterated that this does not address how 3 members from the same group has not worked. No resolution was made or passed.

Discussion ensued about elections. Potter addressed how our elections will be conducted.

Potter recommends that Caldwell, Myers, and himself work through elections and have something in place for HOD in August, so we can vote on things in April.

Motion: to adjourn (Caldwell, Saltzman second).

Motion passed unanimously

Meeting adjourned at 9:45pm