

HOD Meeting Minutes April 17, 2021

The meeting began at 12:00pm via Zoom. Steve Potter reviewed ground rules for the virtual HOD meeting.

BOD members present:

Steve Potter (DAQ) - General Chair
Rob Copeland (SCAT) - Finance Vice-Chair
Joe DeCarlo (RAYS) - Treasurer
Beau Caldwell (SEGA) - Secretary
Mark Schilling (GOLD) - Senior Chair
Sydney Pepper (DYNA) - Age Group Chair
Mike O'Shaughnessy (GOLD) - Safe Sport Chair
Ed Saltzman (DYNA) - Officials Chair

Jenn Bowers (HURR) - Sr Coaches Rep Jarrod Hunte (DCS) - Jr Coaches Rep Matthew Grant (VAST) - Tech Planning Chair Will Foggin (ABSC) - Sr Athlete Rep Elizabeth Isakson (GOLD) - Jr. Athlete Rep Hannah Burke (GA) - Athlete At-Large Daniel DeCarlo (RAYS) - Athlete At-Large

GSI Swimming staff Absent:

Jamey Myers (SCAT) - Admin Vice-Chair

Henry Bethel (CCAC) - Athlete At-Large

GSI Swimming staff present:

Veronica Burchill, Interim Business Manager Lora Thompson, Membership coordinator

GSI Members clubs and number of representatives in attendance:

ABSC (3), ASL (1), ATAQ (2), CAST (1), CAD (2), CBF (3), CW (2), DAQ (2), DCS (3), DYNA (5), GA (4), GOLD (12), HURR (1), LA (1), LINS (1), OAC (1), PSC (1), RAYS (2), SA (2), SFS (1), SEGA (2), SPAC (8), SMAC (1), TARA (1), SCAT (2)

[Note: numbers above include both athlete and non-athlete members in attendance representing each member club, but do not include BOD members listed above serving GSI in an elected capacity. For questions or records regarding attendance, contact the GSI Secretary.]

Call to order, approval of minutes

Potter began the business portion of the meeting at 12:07pm by reading the mission and vision of the LSC. Potter advised and reminded delegates of conflict of interest rules.

Motion (S.Pepper): To approve minutes from Aug 29, 2020 (Copeland second)

Discussion: None

Vote: Unanimous approval

Resolution: Minutes from Aug 29, 2021approved

Reports of officers

General Chair (Potter) - Potter thanked the LSC leadership for their work over the last year. We have a lot of things we can celebrate in the LSC over the past year.

Admin Vice-Chair (Myers) - Not present, no report

• Myers has resigned from this position effective the meeting today; the Governance committee is working on a candidate to fill this role over the next year.

Finance Committee (J.DeCarlo & Copeland) - Finance report as submitted.

- Reporting 7,000 in the negative, but does not represent 8,000 that's been deposited for meet sanctions in the last month. Registration and meet sanction income is about what we expect it to be. Finance committee is happy with where they are, and will be preparing a budget and report for the fall HOD.
- There is no money set aside for travel to any meet other than Zones for this fiscal year. This was approved at the last HOD and the LSC voted to put money back into clubs and not into travel.

Senior Chair (Shilling) - Present

- Recommending LC Senior State with 1 site ABSC 23-25 of July, and ABSC feels confident they
 will be able to host it.
- USAS has not said when the dates are for 2021 US Open and Winter Juniors, so there is no date set for SC Senior State.
- Potter thanked Mark Shilling for pulling off a senior state prelim/final meet this spring

Age Group chair (S.Pepper) - Present

- 2021 LC AG State will be 1 site at GT, waiting on number of athletes capacity from Georgia Tech. Unsure on QT. July 15-18.
- Recommended SA hosting 2022 SC AG State. Select camp invites going out shortly. AG Zone application will be out by next week.

Registrar (L.Thompson) - Not present, report shared on website by Steve Potter.

• Numbers are down, but the finance committee says they're OK with it.

Business Manager (J.Pepper) - Present, report posted to website

Athletes committee (W. Foggin) - Present, report posted to website

• Virtual leadership convention went well.

Officials committee (Saltzman) - Present, report posted to website

- 90 officials fielded at 3 sites for ag state
- 64 officials fielded at 2 sites for sr state
- Officials numbers are down need more officials
- Potter again thanked Saltzman and the officials committee for helping these meets happen.

Technical Planning (Grant) - Present; Calendar and proof of times extension will be presented under new business

Safe Sport (O'Shaughnessy) - Present; Report posted to website

Diversity Coordinator (Jackson) - Present; Report posted to website

• Diversity swim meet scheduled for end of Feb

Disability Coordinator (Orth) - Not present, no report

Coaches representatives (Bowers & Hunte) - Present, report posted

Jarrod Hunte will be new coaches vice-chair

Open Water (Sullivan) - Present, report posted

Governance committee (J.Foggin) - Not present, report given by Lucas Ferreira; report posted to website.

• The Governance committee has been working to streamline documents; has a slate of candidates for this afternoon's elections.

Elections

General Chair - Governance committee has nominated Steve Potter

Nominations from the floor were opened; no new nominations were made

Motion (Copeland) to close nominations (Sullivan second)

Nominations for General Chaire are closed.

Finance vice-chair - Governance committee has nominated Rob Copeland
Nominations from the floor were opened; no new nominations were made
Motion (DeCarlo) to close nominations (Caldwell second)
Nominations for Finance vice-chair are closed

Secretary - Governance committee has nominated Beau Caldwell
Nominations from the floor were opened; no new nominations were made
Motion (Copeland) to close nominations (Bowers second)
Nominations for secretary are closed

Senior vice chair - Governance Committee has nominated Hugh Convery
Nominations from the floor were opened; no new nominations were made
Motion (Copeland) to close (motion seconded)
Nominations for senior vice-chair are closed

Motion (DeCarlo) to accept ballot nominations by acclimation (S.Pepper second)

Discussion: No Discussion **Vote**: unanimous approval

Resolution: The following people have been elected to the Georgia Swimming BOD

General Chair - Steve Potter (2nd term)
Finance Vice-Chair - Rob Copeland (1st term)
Secretary - Beau Caldwell (2nd term)
Senior vice-chair - Hugh Convery (1st term)

Old Business

None

New Business

Extending proof of times exception -

Motion (DeCarlo) to accept proof of times exception (Motion seconded)

Discussion: Saltzman said this applies to non-sanctioned meets; rules for sanctioned meets are

still in place.

Vote: unanimous approval

Resolution: Proof of times exception extended to July 31, 2021

2021 LC Calendar -

Calendar was displayed on screen for review

 ASL meets were added; dates and details were shared on screen. No objection was made to adding ASL Meets. ASL will get with tech planning on specific details

Motion (Hamborg): to approve 2021 LC Calendar (Motion seconded)

Discussion: No Discussion **Vote**: Unanimous approval

Resolution: 2021 LC Calendar approved

2021 SC Calendar-

Calendar was displayed on screen for review

- CAD changed individual event entry fees on Lugman Invite and MLK meet to \$7
- ASL meets were added; dates and details were shared on screen. No objection was made to adding ASL. ASL will get with tech planning on specific details

Motion (Hamborg): to approve 2021-22 SC Calendar (Motion seconded)

Discussion: Swim Across America date was added; Diversity invite is open; AG State host team

corrected to SA

Vote: Unanimous approval

Resolution: 2021-22 SC Calendar approved

Governance recommendations - Shared on screen

Motion (D.DeCarlo): To amend Section 5 of the GASI Bylaws to give Georgia Swimming's Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DE&I) Chair membership on the Board of Directors with voice and

vote (S. Pepper second)Discussion: No discussionVote: unanimous approval

Resolution: Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion chair added to list of GSI Board of Directions

Motion (J.DeCarlo): To add the following language on Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion to GASI Policies and Procedures to as Section 15 (renumbering the Officials section as 16) (S.Pepper

second)

Discussion: No discussion **Vote**: unanimous approval

Resolution: DE&I language added to GSI P&P section 15.

[Secretary's note: Complete language and wording for DE&I P&P can be found attached to these

minutes]

Calendar - Open/Closed meets

Convery and Sullivan spoke in favor of listing every meet, open and closed, on the calendar. Potter and Grant echoed these statements. Concerns came up with approving the calendar and then adding meets.

Motion (Grant): That all sanctioned events be posted to the GA Swimming website effective immediately. Any changes to the events calendar must be approved through Technical Planning. (Sullivan second)

Discussion - Krug was concerned that closed meets could not be added. Krug also added that it would be good for tech planning to publish how to host a meet and get it approved. Grant stated that the tech planning committee will take this up shortly.

Question called and approved

Vote: Motion carries with 2 dissensions

Resolution: All sanctioned events be posted to the GA Swimming website effective immediately. Any changes to the events calendar must be approved through Technical Planning.

Announcements

Next HOD meeting Saturday, Aug 28, 2021 at Noon

<u>Adjournment</u>

Motion (Caldwell): To adjourn (Camilo second)

Discussion: No discussion

Vote: Unanimous approval

Resolution: Meeting adjourned at 1:30pm.

Respectfully submitted May 2, 2021

Beau Caldwell

GSI Secretary