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## HOD Meeting Minutes August 28, 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 Chair1  
Jon Foggin, (ABSC) - Interim Admin Vice-Chair  
Rob Copeland (SCAT) - Finance Vice-Chair  
Beau Caldwell (SEGA) - Secretary1  
Joe DeCarlo (RAYS) - Treasurer  
Sydney Pepper (DYNA) - Age Group Chair  
Hugh Convrey (GA) - Senior Chair  
Jarrod Hunte (DCS) - Coaches Chair  
Meredith Green (BAY) - Int Coach Vice-Chair

Matthew Grant (VAST) - Tech Planning Chair  
Ed Saltzman (DYNA) - Officials Chair  
Brook Kubik (DCS) - Operational risk chair  
Tommy Jackson (CAD) - Diversity chair  
Elizabeth Isakson (GOLD) - Senior Athlete Rep  
Hannah Burke (GA) - Senior athlete At-Large  
Rachel Todebush (SPAC) - Junior athlete rep  
Grace Ann Byerly (TWS) - Junior athlete at-large

### **BOD members absent**

Mike O'Shaughnessy (GOLD)-Safe Sport Chair  
Daniel DeCarlo (RAYS) - SR Athlete At-Large

### **GSI Swimming staff present**

John Pepper, Business Mgr1  
Lora Thompson, Membership Coordinator

### **GSI Swimming staff absent**

Veronica Burchill, Intern1

### **GSI Members clubs and number of representatives in attendance:**

*[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 12:08pm by reading the mission and vision of the LSC, and reviewed ground rules for the meeting.

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**Motion (Camilo):** To approve Spring 2021 minutes(Caldwell second)  
**Discussion:** None  
**Vote:** Approved by majority vote  
**Resolution:** Minutes from HOD Spring 2021 approved

## **Reports of officers**

**General Chair (Potter)** - Present, no formal report

**Admin Vice-Chair (Foggin)** - Present, no formal report

**Finance Committee (J.DeCarlo & Copeland)** -  
Pushed to new business

**Senior Chair (Convrey)** - Highlighted some things from senior report.

- 1) SR State Dec 3-5 at GT, hosted by Swim Atlanta - there are contingencies in place
- 2) 2022 LC senior state will be on the last weekend of July. Long Course qualifying times only.
- 3) Senior committee pushed hard for national level travel reimbursement, futures and up.
- 4) Return to 7% sanction fee for meets and regular registration fees.

**Age Group chair (S.Pepper)** - Present

- 1) New time standards - combined ages for time standards, good through LC 2022
- 2) AG State Feb 23-25, SCAT host

**Registrar (L.Thompson)** -

2022 registration begins on Wednesday - 9/1/21

Clubs should use member validation system - instructions are available on the website. Clubs should be using club portal for all things athletes and non-athletes attached to your club. Club applications have changed and must be completed in their entirety. All BOD members must be non-athlete members of USA Swimming in good standing by Jan 1, 2022; If no board, must have at least 1 other coach member in good standing.

**Business Manager (J.Pepper)** - Present, no report.

Potter thanked John Pepper and Veronica Burchill for their work in growing our social media presence. Pepper shared the social media campaign GSI is currently promoting.

**Athletes committee (E. Isaakson, H. Burke)** -

- 1) All star towels in first round of voting
- 2) Canned food drive shifting to hybrid - online and bringing in cans
- 3) Want to do an in-person athlete summit - even if it means asking for proof of vaccination or negative covid test
- 4) Rachel Todebush new Junior athlete rep

**Officials committee (Saltzman)** - Report is as submitted, will be sending out some officials recruitment material to pass onto prospective parents

**Technical Planning (Grant)** -

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LC 2022 calendar shared on screen  
Floor opened for added bids and fee changes.

HURR - May 6-8 -  
SMAC - May 22-23 - Coach Lee Invite  
CCAC - April, 24-25 - MAKO Mania  
DAQ - June 3-5 - Carol Tate meet  
ABSC - Meet fees for Senior State meet - \$12/event, \$24/relay, \$21 surcharge  
AG Committee changed fees to match senior state

**Motion (Potter) to have April 2nd as HOD meeting** (Murray second)

**Discussion:** No discussion -

**Vote** - unanimous approval

Resolved: April 2, 2022 is date set for next HOD meeting.

**Motion (Grant) to approve 2022 LC schedule** (Caldwell second)

**Discussion:** Several topics were discussed and clarified.

**Vote:** Approved by majority vote

Grant asked the delegation to send him any changes to SC calendar based on changes to AG State date to send him changes by noon, Aug 28. Fees can also be changed based on new budget being passed at 7% sanction fees.

Changes and errors were made and fixed to the SC calendar

Open/Closed meets + calendar discussion  
All meets on schedule - open or closed  
Tech planning will have a strong definition on adding closed meets to the schedule

**Motion (Potter) to approve 2021-22 SC schedule** (Camilo second)

**Discussion:** No new discussion

**Vote** - unanimous

Resolved: 2021-22 SC schedule approved.

**Safe Sport (O'Shaughnessy)** - Present; MAAPP 2.0 goes into effect Sept 1.

**Operational Risk Chair (Kubik)** - Working on writing COVID protocol for LSC team travel

**Diversity Coordinator (Jackson)** - Not present, no report

**Disability Coordinator (Orth)** - Not present, no report

**Coaches representatives (Hunte & Green)** - Present, no report

**Open Water (Sullivan)** - Not present, no report

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## Old Business

None

## New Business

### **Sanction amendment to rules & regulations**

**Motion (Convrey)** - to accept rules and regs sanction change (Bayer second)

**Discussion** - No discussion

**Vote** - motion passed unanimously

**Resolved:** Rules and reg sanction change approved

Budget reviewed and shared on screen by Joseph DeCarlo

Question came up regarding cap on maximum amount of aid an athlete can receive. Convrey clarified that the maximum has been raised to \$1400/athlete. Goss asked about coach reimbursement; Convrey explained that this should say coaches and athletes.

Questions also came up regarding zone team funding

**Motion (Caldwell)** to accept budget and travel reimbursement and allow a 1-time exception for zone travel from 2018 motion regarding cap on zone funding (Kubik second)

**Discussion** - points discussed were comparing national travel to zone travel. Hugh commented that there is a committee already in place and committed to revising funding travel reimbursement.

Question called and approved

**Vote:** Motion approved by majority signifying yes in reactions

**Resolved:** 2021-22 budget and travel reimbursement approved; 1-time exception for zone travel approved.

## Announcements

Next HOD meeting Saturday, April 9, 2022 at Noon

## Adjournment

**Motion (Caldwell):** To adjourn (DeCarlo second)

**Discussion:** No discussion

**Vote:** Unanimous approval

**Resolution:** Meeting adjourned at 1:30pm.

Respectfully submitted Mar 22, 2022

*Beau Caldwell*

GSI Secretary