



JSL Board Meeting Minutes

September 13, 2020

Attachments for pre-meeting packet included:

- July 19, 2020 Meeting Minutes for Approval
 - 2021 Registration Fee Recommendation
 - Suggested Bylaw Changes – Appendices V and Z (Championship meet dispute)
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WELCOME

The meeting was called to order by President Chuck Fix at 7:03pm. This was an online Zoom video conference due to COVID-19 social distancing orders. 15 teams were in attendance. GHG and LG did not attend. All executive committee members were present. 6 of 10 consultants were present – Alex Goodwin, Steve Miller, BJ Fortune, and Charlie Hall were not present.

SECRETARY AND TREASURER REPORT

Secretary Report

Chuck requested any changes to July 19, 2020 meeting minutes. None were suggested. CITY made a motion to approve and HM provided a second. The motion passed unanimously.

Treasurer Report

Jeff North (Treasurer) verbally presented the balance of \$58, 209.46. He suggested league registration fees be discussed at the next board meeting.

OLD BUSINESS

USA Swimming (USAS) Tech Suit Ban

Discussion was continued from July 19, 2020 meeting concerning USAS tech suit ban for 12&under athletes. Amy Williams (FAST) had made a motion at the July 19th meeting to ban all age groups from competing in tech suits based on financial inequity. KWC provided a second. After lengthy discussion in July, a motion was made to table further discussion until the September meeting.

Devin Creamer (Past President and head of Rules Committee) stated that the rules committee suggested following USAS guidelines of banning these suits for 12&under. He reminded the board that proposing a rule or regulation in conflict with USAS will require 75% board approval.

Discussion followed inquiring how referees, clerk and coaches would distinguish what suits were actually tech suits. Several board members pointed out that swimmers currently skip the Championship meet since they feel they cannot compete without a tech suit. Other board members pointed out that these suits are usually only used at Champs. A question was raised asking if the JSL has any rules and regulations that differ from USAS and the consultants answered yes and provided the few examples. After lengthy discussion, a vote was called for the motion on the floor from the July meeting to ban technical suits for all athletes in JSL. The motion did not pass with 75% approval (10 yes, 5 no) so the USAS regulation of banning only 12&under swimmers is the new JSL regulation.

NEW BUSINESS

New Board Members

Chuck welcomed the following new board members for the 2021 JSL season:

ACAC – Elizabeth Dugas
BHSC – Kathleen Bledsoe
GCC – Nicole Weiss
LG – no representative yet
LMST – Robert Kovarik
FSBC – Scott Wrightson

2021 Executive Committee Slate

Christina Meyer (VP) presented the 2021 officer slate:

President – Christina Meyer
Vice President – Paul Breza
Past President – Chuck Fix
Secretary – Kristin Wray
Treasurer – Jeff North

Chuck opened the slate for nominations from the board. None were brought forward. City made a motion to accept and approve the slate as presented. FV provided a second and the motion passed unanimously.

CONSULTANT REPORTS

Gordon Hair (BH-JSL) thanked the board for the JSL support this year.

Jann Balmer (CHAMPS) indicated that AFC is holding the last weekend of July for the JSL Championship meet in 2021.

FAST made a motion to adjourn and City seconded. The motion passed unanimously and the meeting was adjourned at 8:17 pm.

Action Items

- Next JSL Board meeting February 2021. Date TBD.
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Respectfully submitted,
Kristin Wray, JSL Secretary