

# Illinois Swimming House of Delegates Agenda

Holiday Inn Hotel & Suites

Bloomington, IL

May 3, 2008

1:00 PM

1. Roll Call - Called to order at 1:10 PM
2. Approval of Agenda  
**MOTION – Approved as presented. PASSED**
3. Reading, correction and adoption of minutes of previous meeting  
**MOTION – To approve the minutes as presented. PASSED**
4. Opening Remarks –  
**Jane Grosser – General Chair**  
Written report included in packet. Highlights;
  - Approximately half of the clubs were represented at the coaches' clinic
  - Recognized the accomplishments of Illinois Swimmers during the SC season:
    - Established 7 new ISI and 2 National Age Group records
    - Currently 32 athletes with Olympic Trial cuts
  - New this year
    - Championship meets – A-B flights.
  - Strategic Planning Meetings
    - One focus – Coaches' education
  - New Program – Illinois Swimming Volunteer of the Year Award
    - Forward nominations to the General Chair by July 1, 2008. Application forms are available on the ISI website and in your packet. Dan Johnson (WSC) will chair the selection panel.

## **Peter Kozura – Executive Director**

- The coaches' gathering was well received. Thank you to Dave Krotiak for his efforts in organizing the event.
- Kozura's one year anniversary and he is committed to continue to meet membership needs
- Strategic Planning Meetings – 2008 plan is included in your packet
- Significant improvement during the past year in fiscal practices and planning
- Solid improvement in our membership numbers with a goal of increasing numbers
- Noted Improvements:
  - General public awareness of Illinois Swimming and the accomplishments of our athletes.
  - Currently working with the media to highlight the sport. Coaches were asked to share key stories and accomplishments from individual clubs so they can be forwarded to the media.
- Future administrative plans include taking some of the responsibilities currently under the responsibility of Program Ops and bringing those activities (meet packets, contracts, etc.) into the office.
- Implementation of the Officials Clinics program has been very successful and will be continued into the future.
- From the Business perspective – the new Illinois Swimming Logo will be included in all ISI endeavors. A new look to the ISI website will be posted in the coming weeks.

- 2016 Olympic Bid – October 2009 is the important date for Chicago  
The Douglas Park option is no longer viable and other options are under consideration, including temporary pools lakeside.
- IHSA: conversations with Ron McGraw continue
- Illinois Swimming will have a Suite at the Olympic Trials. Seats will be made available to Illinois Swimming families, potential sponsors and athlete families. Information will be available on the website within the week.
- Very close to announcing an apparel sponsorship that will assist promote Illinois Swimming

5. Reports of Officers

**A. Bill Welnhofner, Administrative Vice Chair**

- Athlete Assistance Fund - \$425,000 currently in the fund. Intent is to grow the fund to the \$500,000 range prior to drawing from it.
- The 2009 Budget will be presented at the Fall HOD meeting. Budget decisions are in the process of developing.

**B. Doug Lennox, Treasurer**

- Budget preparation is underway and the Treasurer introduced a plan where division chairs took a major responsibility for financial responsibility and recommendations in their areas.
- Our intention is to present a balanced budget in the 2008 Fall HOD Meeting. Budget presentation will include both the budget amount and the actual numbers for 2008.
- Current status: while we are working with a deficit budget, we are currently running in a favorable position. Swimming-related activities gross profit – \$320,000. Administrative-related activities gross profit - \$20,000. To date - \$30,000 favorable to the budget.
- In-house bookkeeping changes have eliminated the need for a monthly accountant.

**C. Dave Krotiak, Senior Vice Chair**

- Written report distributed
- Senior Champ Meet – Spring - tried an A-B Flight format. Challenges encountered will be addressed. Summer – LC meet will be held at Northwestern.
- The SC Senior Champ recommendation is to award the bid to Lake Forest Swim Team, with the meet held at UIC.

**MOTION: To accept the recommendation that Lake Forest Swim Team be awarded the 2009 SC Senior Championship meet bid. PASSED.**

- ??? – regarding the calendar and the placement of the state meet on top of the Sectional meet. That was not a consideration for the committee.
- 50 Meter Training Program Report: great participation and feedback from those who were able to participate. Special thanks to all coaches who volunteered and participated.

**D. Todd Capen, Age Group Chair**

- Written report included in packet
- Championship report
- Camp and Zone Coaches are needed, please contact the Age Group Chair
- Bid Recommendation for Regional Championships:
  - Barrington
  - Scout Aquatics
  - Lincoln-Way
  - Redbird
  - Fox

**MOTION: To award recommended bids for Regional Champ Meet. PASSED.**

- Bid Recommendation for the Age Group State Meet
  - Academy Bullets March 13-15, 2009 @ UIC
  - ??? Why has the meet been moved up 1 week? There were no bids in the Central Zone for a Sectional meet and the committee responded to frequent requests to condense the calendar and move up the meet.

**MOTION: To award the committee recommendation for the Age Group State meet to the Academy Bullets. PASSED.**

**E. Mike Laurich, Coaches Representative**

- Future plans included added additional programming and budget dollars dedicated to coaches education and club support.

6. Reports of Committees and Coordinators

**A.. Michael Lawrence, USA Swimming Board Member**

- National initiatives impacting the Illinois budget:
  - Approval of SC Junior Nationals for 2008 – Dec. in Austin, TX
  - US Nationals – June 2009 are presently on hold ( IUPUI)
  - 2010 Meet Host – Irvine – US Nationals, JR nationals,
  - LC Zone Senior Championship Meet – August 2009 15& Over meet where athletes will compete for their club.
- Centers of Excellence – two additional centers for post-grads will be funded by USA Swimming. ??? How are the centers of excellence awarded? Mark Schubert, National Team Head Coach, makes the decision and currently the Board has asked Mark to establish criteria for awarding the status.
- Developing a partnership with Wasserman Media Group to provide additional media support, website, and television.

**B. Randy Julian, Central Zone Director**

- Upcoming Olympic Trials and Olympic Games provide a great opportunity to motivate and showcase our sport to the public and potential members.

7. Presentation of Budget – 2009 Budget will be presented at the Fall HOD Meeting.

8. Unfinished Business - none

9. Appointments, Confirmations and Elections - Doug Lennox

Nominations:

General Chair: Jane Grosser

Administrative Vice Chair – Bill Welhofer

Secretary – Judy Busse

Senior Vice Chair – Dave Krotiak

**MOTION: To accept the slate as presented. PASSED.**

**MOTION: To elect the slate by acclamation. PASSED.**

10. New Business - none

11. Rule and Legislation – Fall HOD Meeting

12. Announcements

2008 Fall House of Delegates Meeting will be held on Sunday, October 12 in conjunction with the Athlete Banquet at the O'Hare Marriott beginning at 1:00 PM

13. Adjournment - 2:45 PM

Respectfully Submitted,

Judy Busse

Secretary

UNAPPROVED