

# GEORGIA SWIMMING

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## Minutes: HOD Meeting, April 23, 2006

### Call to order (Gary Theisen) 8:15AM

1. Delegates from the following teams were present: ABSC, ASL, BOOM, BYST, CAD, CBF, CCAC, DYNA, GA, GAS, GOLD, HURR, LA, LINS, RAYS, SA, SCAT, SST.

The following teams had no delegates present: BAD, BLAZ, DAQ, DART, DCS, FCS, GCAT, HRST, LCNF, MSST, NGR, ROCK, SBCS, SMAC, SUMM, TARA, TCS, TRSC, TWS, WAVE, WIST, WRA, WW, YWCO

2. **Review of minutes: HOD September 25, 2005** – (Mark Schilling): minutes posted on [www.gaswim.org](http://www.gaswim.org). Minutes accepted by HOD.

3. **Financial Report** (Alec McCrackin):

See report for details. It is noted that account balances are up \$133,000 since 2001. There are no questions so the budget is accepted as presented. Thanks to Alec for a great term as treasurer.

4. **Committee Reports:**

- **Administrative** (Gene Paliskis): Bill Young and Betsy Dunbar camp nominations are due to the admin. Chair by June 1.
  - Sanctions (Pete Junkins): Reminds everyone that requests for sanctions and approvals need to e-mailed, not faxed. Gary wants to change the due date for a report and check from 30 days to two weeks after a meet is complete. The sanction form should read '14 days after a meet' to reflect this change. The results file should now be sent to Jeff Vann via e-mail (address is on website). The sanction rules also say that 45 days are required to file for sanction approval, but this process can be done if at least 14 days are given.
  - Records/Top 16 (Jeff Vann): Out of the 66 meets this short course season, only 24 were forwarded to him. All meet directors need to make sure to send him a commlink results file from Meet Manager in order for him to keep the SWIMS database and top 20 up to date. The issue of importing swimmers results from observed meets is brought up due to the fact that all results are flagged as unattached in the database. It is suggested that if a coach wants the times reported to GA Swimming then they need to e-mail Jeff so that the affiliation can be named. The head referee of an observed meet (specifically high school state) should send results to Jeff to make this possible.
  - NTDB (Kathy Stephens): No report.
  - Towel Coordinator (Debbie Campbell): (reported by Gary Theisen) He requests that All Star checks to be given to him. The All-Star list from this point on will be generated with SWIMS. Both LC and SC will be submitted and processed only once a year now at the same time in order to help Debbie. National times will have to be submitted by the clubs manually in order to have that designation.
  - Board of Review (George Ways): No cases have been reported in the last six months and only minimal ones the past year. The Board of Review national meeting was just in Atlanta, and we are miles ahead of other LSC's in terms of amount of how little turmoil we have. Parents are requested to not send letters to USA Swimming and to make sure the head deck ref. is contacted first. Also need to make sure that a member of the review board be present on all LSC sponsored trips (Zones) in order to make sure the minors are represented on travel teams.
- **Age Group** (David Weeks): The 06 LC age group meet info is adopted. Standards will be sent in the info and to the host team.
  - Age Group State 07 and 06 review:
    - Keep the split age groups as is (11's, 12's, 13's, etc)
    - 10&U's will now swim in the AM session with the older Age Groups.
    - 10&U 500 will be swum as the last individual event at the Friday PM session.
    - 800 Free relay will be Friday PM after the 10&U 500's
    - The relay order will be changed to put the 200 Fr. and 200 Medley on Saturday, and 400 Medley and 400 Fr. on Sunday AM and PM respectively.
    - A small committee will be reviewing the time standards.
    - The split age group times worked well so thanks to Hugh for the hard work.
    - Relay time standards to be adjusted to reflect the previous years top 16.
  - Zone meet will be at GA tech August 1-6. Rooms have been secured at closest hotel to the pool. An internet signup will be done again and each swimmer will need a \$50 deposit. Coaches need to send Weeks a best time database file with entries.
  - Adapted Athletes: There is a big push to get disabled athletes into the state championship to at least compete in the 50's and 100's. More discussion needs to be made about these swimmers swimming 100's with the normal 200 events or 50's swam with normal 100 events. Fred agrees that this is what should happen and also should serve as the selection meet for zones. The AG committee motions to accept this. It is seconded by Alec, but more discussion is made about making conditions for swimmers with like times to swim in the corresponding events disabled or not. Also, national time standards will be enforced on these swimmers (can be found online). A motion is made to accept these conditions. Seconded by Ian and passed by verbal vote.

- Senior (Harvey Humphries / Chris Davis):
  - Chair Report (Harvey): A review of the performances of short course season is made. The senior calendar is submitted with the addition of sectionals (March 8-11, 2007).
  - The BOD approves that national swimmers (Jr Nationals, US Open, Spring Championships, and Summer Nationals) will be reimbursed a standard of \$700 for each meet with a max of 2. Reimbursements will be reviewed by the finance committee. Reimbursements will be dropped for the NCSA meet.
  - Open Water (Rob Copeland): Not present, report submitted. 2 sanctioned open water swims took place in 2005. In 2006 there are 3-4 planned events. Two will be masters events that can be dual sanctioned with USA Swimming and one will be in conjunction with the GA State Games. The final will be a USA Swimming event for Zone Championships
  - Masters (Ed Saltzman): 2004 registrations totaled 748 swimmers. 2005 registrations as of 9/15/05 had 770 swimmers over 24 teams. USA Swimming and USMS agreed to officially allow co-sanctioned events in which swimmers from each organization can be in the same heat. The 2006 meet schedule was attached.
  - There is discussion about a new GA Swimming hall of fame. Ideas will be discussed in the SR committee.
  - Senior National swimmers need to be at the All-Star banquet to encourage the elite upcoming swimmers.
  - Open Water: There will be a camp at the end of May that two swimmers will be attending.
  - Outreach: Harvey has a program to get more lower income swimmers into the sport that ABSC has implemented. Get with him for more information.
  - Disabled athletes will be allowed in the Senior State meet, but only w/ no timeline disruption. It is possible to have kids swim in greater distance events to make this feasible. They need to make the US disabilities time standards, and Hugh needs a link to this sent to him.
  - The Senior Committee wants to get meet management to work closer with the coaches to make sure everyone is on the same page about meet formats.
- Athletes (Anna Gleyzer and Nicole Roddenbery): They have been coming up with ideas to increase All-Star Banquet attendance including moving the banquet to Saturday and having a swimmer function afterwards. Bio sheets are available for JR reps running for office, and they need to be put online beforehand to review.
- Coaches (Andy Baer): Andy and Russ are leaving the committee and adding, Will Bayer (chair), Patti Clark, and Kile Zeller added.
  - Camps: Charles Todd is running a camp in May in Adairsville. Also, we want to run a day camp on Memorial day that Zone coaches participate in.
  - Coach of the year: will be setting up criteria for the future coach of the year to get a list of nominations to choose from.
  - There needs to be a review board member who also attends the Zone Meet, who also needs to be designated a chaperone in order for the LSC to pay for them.
  - Ideas need to be fleshed out about a possible All-Star dual meet with the SE or FL LSC.
  - The Banquet will be September 23 or 24 at Gwinnett Marriot. Cost will be \$16 and tickets will be able to be purchased via online form.
- Tech. Planning (Hugh Convery): Please note changes to LC Schedule including moving the Senior State Meet to the 3<sup>rd</sup> week in July. The Zone Meet to be added to the online LC Schedule as well.
  - Please include [board@gaswim.org](mailto:board@gaswim.org) in all committee member discussions from now on.
  - The short course schedule is confirmed so please send any changes to Hugh.
  - There have been many new innovations in the SWIMS database that will allow all All-Star, Top 20, and Proof of times to be handled using it. If a swimmer does not make a time standard cut then fines will be sent out to those not provable in SWIMS database at the end of the meet. The treasurer will then need to be notified by AG and SR Chairs.
- Registration Report (Claude Rhen): 208 coaches and 44 clubs registered. Registration fees will go up by \$1 next year. Red Cross lifeguard class counts towards the hard to find coaches safety and includes first aid as well.
- Officials - (Glenda Orth): DQ report given out. A new group of high school officials are being certified. The 4 hour rule will be enforced much more closely on 12 and under.
  - A new scratch rule is proposed that has additions by Jim Young to cover heats after A,B,C to be covered by the same rule as the top heats. Any individual scratched into finals will not be penalized. A motion is made to adopt the revisions by Jim Young. It is seconded by Alec. Vote is taken with only 16 for (motion fails). A second motion is made to send back to the committee for further discussion. It is seconded by Alec and passed. Glenda will prepare this for the next meeting.

## 5. Announcements:

- Coaches are invited to join in on the officials discussion at: <http://gaofficials.webexone.com>

## 6. Old Business

- A motion was tabled from the last meeting on by-law changes on clarification of special conditions for who can be reimbursed for a trip to the USAS convention. The board motions to adopt. 2<sup>nd</sup> by George Ways. Motion is made to accept by acclimation and no dissent.

## 7. New Business:

- Items from Board of Directors:

- Needs to be a change in the by-laws sec. 6.15.2. Fiscal year of GA Swimming should be the swimming season (Oct 1-Sept 30) instead of calendar year. This needs a motion to waive the 30 day notice to adopt in order to make the change for this coming year. A motion is made by Patti Clark and 2<sup>nd</sup> by George Ways for this to happen. Motion carries by hand vote. A second motion is made to make the actual changes to the by-laws. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Alec and the motion carries.
- Elections (Nominating Committee and Nominating Committee Chair):
  - Admin Vice Chair: Nominee Mike Carpenter . Accepted by acclimation
  - Treasurer: Stu Hixon nominee. Accepted by acclimation.
  - Age Group Vice Chair: David Weeks nominee. Accepted.
  - Board of Review: George, Rob, Charles up for another term. Alec McCrackin added as another member. Moved to accept, and accept by acclimation.

Next LSC meeting September 21-22 in Gwinnett.

Meeting Adjourned 1:13 PM

Submitted by,

Mark Schilling,  
Secretary