

Convention Report - Jacksonville, FLA - September 2014
Mary Fleckenstein

Tuesday, 9/16/14

Safe Sport Workshop –

Review of Safe Sport issues – why aren't more parents and athletes using videos. How can we promote
Use resources available – local organizations will come to help
Many statistics on safe sport
Victor Vieth Report was discussed
Club's Role in Safe Sport – power point presentation available on USA Swimming web site

Wednesday, 9/17/14

Registration Committee Meeting

Newsletters to Registration is working well getting info out
SWIMS enhancement available
APT – now 2 years – going forward will be modules to earn credits – in planning process
SWIMS 2.0 in works – hopeful release in December
Online Registration – still in works – going forward – working with vendors
Choosing new award for Lifetime and outgoing board members
LSC's not printing Officials Cards – using OTS for cards – have cert level on them
SWIMS will have last date of actual swim now – not meet date
STSC – still having trouble – call Red Cross Training Support Center – they have updated how an
instructor can run course – no longer 2 week waiting period but must take online before you take water
portion. Don't forget to close your account when you finish!
Remember your facility addresses are important when people are looking for a place to swim – linked to
pool location!

SWIMS/Times Workshop

Release of 2016 Olympic Time Trial Standards
Review of online registration
Club Portal analytics – new to clubs – great statistics to work with – coming soon!
Rule changes discussed
Lots of Age Group records broken – 62 Long Course – 127 Short Course

Diversity and Inclusion Workshop/Great Ideas in your LSC 9/18/14

Must promote in LSC – we are doing great job. Bob Trotman wins Diversity/Inclusion award.
Host camps, lessons, meets – 50's – athlete give back, water safety festivals, grants for not for profit
clubs working with diversity swimmers
Update website

Eastern Zone Tech Planning

Review of Zone and Sectional meets

Discussed 4 scenarios with addition of 2 meets in LC season

EZ Sectionals – C final 18 & under only (if athlete count exceeds 600 – then D Final added for 18 & U)

2016 – 2 LCM sectional meets and one SCY super sectional meet

Thursday, 9/18/14

SWIMS Registration Workshop

Review of SWIMS Database and all the changes

New programs coming up

Online registration discussion

Navigating Leap Thru Excel

Discussion on if LSC is ready to go further

Assign and track items

Track completion

Planning a retreat to determine what everyone is doing

Taskforce

Several people to help

Eastern Zone Meeting

Budget discussed – reminder of dues increase to fund review and safe sport

Scholastic All American – EZ was in second place

Diversity Camp – University of Maryland June 2015

By-laws for Open Water approved

By-laws as required by National for EZ Board of Review approved

Elections – Ed Dellert – Coach Director; Mary Turner, Secretary/Treasurer (Fleckenstein removed name from ballot), Ty – Athlete Rep.

Meet Dates:

EZ Super Sections LC – Ithaca – 7/16-7/19/15

USA Swimming Legends Meet – Greensboro, NC – 7/30-8/3/15

USA Swimming Junior Nationals – 8/6-8/10/15

EZ Senior Open Meet – Buffalo – 8/6-8/9/15

USA Swimming National Championship – 8/6-8/10/15

EZ Age Group Zone Meet – Richmond – 8/5-8/8/15

Friday, 9/19/14

Club & LSC Financial Management

Discussion on tax filing

Internal and external audits

Record keeping

Independent contractors – new checks and balances – no longer 23 points but 3 main areas – behavior control, financial control and type of relationships. Encourage clubs to take a good look!

LSC Registrars

Drop Box demonstration – easy to share documents

YMCA lifeguard cards have been updated

STSC check list for skills – hopefully will help! Roll out by Oct. 1 hopefully

Backing up data

Online registration – full discussion – 80% of teams already have online registration and vendor

Membership validation before uploading to SWIMS by registrar

Clubs will be responsible for checking that all is good – can't upload until all data clear

Training will be necessary for clubs

LSC will also have to pick a vendor for unattached

Working with online payments

USA Swimming House of Delegates – Friday 9/19 and Saturday 9/20

Memorial Presentations – 3 Metro members honored

Life Members – Mary Fleckenstein received a surprise membership

15 awards given out – including the Diversity and Inclusion award to Bob Trotman, Metro member –

Nu-Finmen – for 33 years of diversity coaching!! Congrats!

Membership – 3800 more athletes this past year

Reports

Elections – Jim Sheehan – NJ Swimming – elected President

Rules and Regulations – changes will be posted on USA Swimming web site.