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JEFF GUDMAN VICE PRESIDENT NATIONAL ADMINISTRATION USA SWIMMING

The USA Swimming annual convention was last month. The convention is always a terrific event with the opportunity to learn more about our sport and where it is going, to meet with old friends, to make new friends and to learn. Among the many topics at this year's convention both during the scheduled meetings and those meetings and conversations which occurred outside the regularly scheduled meetings, was the incredibly important role parents play in the development of swimmers, clubs and competitions.

This column is devoted to parents and one parent in particular. This parent was someone who had never competed in swimming and whose primary interest for his children was education first and sports second. Having said that, he recognized the value in sport in general and swimming in particular. His kids were in the sport of swimming for a number of years and like many parents he tracked the results of the swims with a father's pride in the improvements made both in technique and performance.

He was never disappointed about a "poor" performance. He did not feel he had to psyche up his kids prior to the meet. When his children were young the goal was to have fun. As they grew older, the goal was for them to have the motivation to do well. He never felt the only way his kids could enjoy the sport of swimming was by winning, although winning or improving your time was great. He never interfered with the coach or other

parents or meet officials in practice or competition. He did make sure his kids got to practice and meets on time and were ready to go. He always spoke positively of all the swimmers in the race, those who were ahead or behind his own kids. He did not try to accelerate the training process or provide material rewards for success. He trusted the coaches his kids swam for.

He taught his kids to enjoy the challenge and thrill of competition. To be out there, trying hard, improving, recognizing there would be days or weeks where things did not go well, but to take those challenges and come back for more.

He knew his kids were an extension of himself, but being an extension of himself was very different from letting his kids discover their own world in sports or in school.

Many lessons could be drawn from this parent. First, he always made every effort to be at the swim meets to cheer and support the kids. After the finish of each swim he would always tell the kids..."good job, where are your sweats? and go see the coach". Second, he could always be counted on as a volunteer timer. Even, when his kids were done for the day, if he had signed up to time a certain time slot, he would stay until his assignment was done, regardless of whether or not the kids wanted to go. He stayed because he was part of a team and a community with a responsibility not only to his kids but to the other members of the team.

What wonderful lessons were taught by these examples. Support of the kids, trust the coach, the competition was more than just the swims for his own kids and you are part of team.

Who was this man? The man was my dad, who passed away on September 15 at the age of 92. Thanks Dad, for always being there and for the lessons you taught.

See you at the next meet.

OREGON SWIMMING RECORDS

Logan Storie of CAT has broken five records at the Summer Nationals and Junior Nationals. He lowered his 15-16 boys 400 freestyle record twice, once in prelims and again in finals. In prelims, Logan swam 4:02.28. His old time of 4:03.42 was set last year. Then in finals, Logan just missed being the first 16 year old from the state to break four minutes in the 400 freestyle. He lowered his dripping wet record when we swam 4:00.16, winning the race in the process. That's his second win of the week. He lowered his own 15-16 OSI record with a time of 1:53.55 during the finals. En route to winning the race, Logan swam 8:12.63 in the 800 free, lowering Alex Stiles 15-16 800 freestyle record of 8:18.35.

Tori Simenec at the Western Zone championships set 11-12 records in: 100 butterfly with a time of 1:05.66, lowering her old record of 1:06.36 set earlier this summer. 11-12 50 butterfly with a time of 29.65. She lowered two of her own OSI records In the 100 backstroke with a time of 1:08.79 and the 50 freestyle, with a time of 27.64. She won these events in the process.

Two of the **Oregon Swimming** relay teams broke a National All Star Relay Record at the Western Zone Championships. 11-12 Girls (**Tori Simenec, Megan McCarroll, Taylor Lakey, Kaylin Bing**) 200 M Medley Relay in 2:07.03, 11-12 Girls (**Kaylin Bing, Jessica Bottelberghe, Taylor Scroggy, Tori Simenec**) 200M Free Relay in 1:52.59.

Great job swimmers.

Congratulations athletes and coaches.

AUGUST NOTICES

The next OSI Board of Directors Meeting will be held Wednesday November 2nd, 7:00PM in the Eugene Hilton. An officials meeting will start at 6:00PM.

2005 Sectional Camp in Colorado Springs

The following athletes have been selected to participate in the 2005 Oregon Sectional Camp at the Olympic Training Center in Colorado Springs, CO. The camp will be held October 27-30. Congratulations to all!

Maggie Alexander TTSC, Alyson Hamilton MAC, Brittney Iverson CAT, Jordan King THSC, Signe Larson HEAT, Mailene Leslie CAT, Kath Liggett HEAT, Sloan Storie CAT, Caroline Wells CAT, Ele Wilson HEAT.

William Bradshaw MSC, Robert Ellertson PAC, Rick

Mason CAT, Michael Mpitsos NST, Dan Nyaradi BEND, Mike Stratton DDSC, Sean Sweet CAT, Trahern Wells CAT, Michael Woodward WSC, Daniel Worden CAT

Coaches: Rick Guenther, Kyle Kimball, one more TBA

2005 Scholastic All America Team announced

578 Women and 369 Men were accepted in the USA Swimming Scholastic All America Team. Congratulations to Oregon Swimming athletes: Katherine Alexander-TTSC, Rebecca Alexander-TTSC, Katie Bieze-HEAT, Ellen Bradley-TTSC, Elizabeth Brooks-MHST, Brittney Iverson-CAT, Kimberly Jasmer-SCAT, Rachel Lee-CAT, Jared Maricle-CRST, Devon O'Leary-KING, Gary Robertson-HEAT, Richard Rogers-CST, Maxwell Royster-HEAT, Morgan Scroggy-THSC, Chloe Thulstrup-ECSC. They made the team this year and Rebecca and Kimberly made the team for the 3rd year.

2007 Western Zone Championships. The championship meet will be in Farmington New Mexico.

Meet Evaluation forms/verification of membership

All clubs should send a backup (SD3 file) of their meet as soon as you have your entries done for membership verification. Too often, there are athletes in the meet that are not registered. The meet is not insured when this happens!! All teams should use their Hy tek software when sending entries to a meet. All athletes should be entered with their legal names (preferred names added in the appropriate spot) and registration number as it appears on their membership card. This way we don't have problems with membership verification and the times database. Please make sure when you make copies of the meet evaluation form you have the latest version and they should be mailed to Bruce Ludwig.

They are included in the sanction packet.

Athlete Membership Requirements. According to Oregon Swimming Standing Rules the Membership Requirements are: All athletes competing in an OSI sanctioned or approved competition are to be athlete members in good standing of USA Swimming or FINA affiliated organization.

Athletes competing in OSI Championships must be USA Swimming athlete members registered in OSI.

Registration forms and fees must arrive in the OSI office prior to an athlete's participation in an OSI Sanctioned or Approved meet.

Athletes competing in Sectional Championships, Western Zone Championships, or any USA Swimming Championship level competition shall be full year athlete members. (i.e., not Seasonal)

Enforcement - The person signing the entry form will be required to verify that all athletes entered are members (in the appropriate category) of USA

Swimming.

Penalties - per Article 302.4, USA Swimming Rules and Regulations, OSI may impose a fine of up to \$100.00 per event against the person signing the entry form.

Safety Marshals. Safety marshals should be highly visible on the pool deck. USA Swimming rule 102.18. USA Swimming donated 5 vests and they can be used at your meet. Contact the office for pick up if you wish to borrow them.

2005 Top Five. The 2005 top 5 list for Short Course and Long course is listed on the Oregon Swimming website. Please contact the office before October 20, if there is a time or athlete missing in the list. The awards ceremony will be in Corvallis, Sunday November 20. Invitations to the ceremony will be mailed October 24.

ATHLETES REPORT

APRIL ROBINSON

Hello fellow Oregon swimmers!!

I'm April Robinson, your Jr. Oregon Representative for USA Swimming. During the third week of September Logan Storie and I took part in the United States Aquatic Sports (USAS) Convention. As one of your Oregon reps, I am to report back to all of you swimmers with what happened. First of all, a few rule changes have been made. In the breaststroke, on the dive and turns during the pullout you are now allowed one downward dolphin kick. And in the backstroke, at the start you are now allowed to have your toes above the water, but they cannot curl over the gutter. For more information and clarification, go to the USA Swimming web page and scroll down to USA Swimming News and click on New Breaststroke and Backstroke Rules. Also due to Hurricane Katrina, the 120 days rule for changing teams is now exempt for those USA Swimming members who have been affected. This will be in effect for both when a swimmer joins their temporary team and their original team. USA Swimming has started a whole new way to earn even more bragging rights. It is called I.M.X., the I.M. Xtreme Challenge is a way to get more swimmers into the longer events, and, yes, that includes the 1650 and 1500. For full details and to sign up go again to the USA Swimming home page and click on My USA Swimming. You can't miss it! And now to ZONES, next year it will be in California, and in 2007 Zones will be held in New Mexico!

At the USAS Banquet, Aaron Piersol was awarded Swimmer of The Year by USA Swimming, beating out Michael Phelps, Katie Hoff, and Ian Crocker just to name a few. Congratulations Aaron!

Overall the USAS Convention was phenomenal and I can't wait until next year. So a huge "Thank You" to all

of those who made the convention run so smoothly. And thank you to Greensboro, N.C., The Sheraton Four Seasons Hotel, and The Joseph S. Koury Convention Center for being such wonderful hosts! Thank you all so much!

Yours swimmingly, *April*

AGE GROUP REPORT

LISSA PARKER

At this time of the year we can reflect back on some superb swims for age group athletes at State Championships, Junior National and Zone levels. Congratulations to the Oregon team for a third place finish at Zones and many new state records shattered at the end of Long Course season.

At the 2005 USA Convention the crisis in the Gulf States was a topic that led the legislative body to recommend that clubs can help hurricane victims by fundraising with the USA Swim- A- Thon model to generate funds for relief agencies. Additional information about how clubs are coping and swimmers being re-located are found on the USA web site and updated regularly.

A major focus this year for age group athletes at the national convention was the resources available to all USA swimmers, and access via the USA Swimming web site. The new I.M. Xtreme Challenge program will be tracked for every swimmer that swims at least one of the races in this program at either SCY or LCM within each season in a sanctioned meet. This will be stored in the STAR database. Encourage your swimmer to create a web account on the USA web site to access their *My Personal Swimming* page. A section called Create a Web Account is found there and easy to use. The swims that are scored and tracked include:

| IMX Events for tracking online. Club, LSC and National Rankings can be accessed. Swim each at least once a season. | | |
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| 9 & Under and 10 Year Olds | 11 and 12 Year Olds | 13 and up to 18 years |
| 200 Free | 400/ 500 Free | 400/ 500 Free |
| 100 Back | 100 Back | 200 Back |
| 100 Breast | 100 Breast | 200 Breast |
| 100 Fly | 100 Fly | 200 Fly |
| 200 IM | 200 IM | 200 IM |
| | | 400 IM |

The USA web site also has many areas for support for coaches and parent education. A new interactive CD from USA Swimming is scheduled for release in the next two months that can be purchased for a nominal fee, and includes resources for all groups. Clubs are

encouraged to put parent education information into heat sheets for the captive audience sitting at meets. Our own Oregon Swimming will be putting a Parent Section soon on the web site. There is also a Club portal page on the USA web site for clubs to compare their performances overall.

New ideas for fun meet formats and competition should be encouraged to retain swimmers in this sport. Overall boys now comprise 47% of swimmers nationally, girls 53%- and retention is increasing- trending towards 70% of swimmers in clubs. Many LSC's are using creative ideas and meet formats to encourage that winning combination of competition and fun.

Locally many new ideas and possibilities will be discussed about our championship meet formats at the OSI Convention coming up- October 1st and 2nd in Lincoln City. All Oregon Swimming clubs are required to send a representative to the House of Delegates on Sunday. One of our topics to tackle will be the 11 & Over LC Champs- how to make this a great meet that's back to a prelims/ finals format. Much discussion and research has already been put into this. Some suggestions thus far have been:

Make the meet a 4 - day meet -retain the 'whole team' concept, makes it easier to choose the Zone team.

- Seniors on Thursday mostly – 400IM / 200 back/ maybe one more event. Do 13-14 and 15 & Over.
- Another possibility for Thursday- do standards as 11-13 to limit numbers. Do 11-13 400 IM and 11-13 200 Back and/ or Breast, along with 15 & Overs.
- Cater to the 15-16 kids that are getting fast with standards that are a little tighter for that age group.

Do a senior meet before Sectionals.

Do two meets in the same city on the same weekend.

Do the meet as separated flights as done at Federal Way, staggering the prelims and finals. (At the meeting at AG Sectionals Spring 2005 the consensus was to create a senior meet to keep the AG one smaller as it was a very large meet).

OSI will be hosting a Speedo athlete clinic on Saturday morning, October 1st at the OSI convention. Randall Bal, Stanford swimmer with World ranked times in backstroke, will be at Lincoln City for an affordable and great hands- on clinic!

See you on deck- *Lissa*

SENIOR CHAIR REPORT

KYLE KIMBALL

Well... Here we go again! By now, we have all started our early season training for the upcoming Short Course

Season. I just wanted to let everyone know of a few things as we get into this next season.

I recently returned from the USA Swimming Convention in North Carolina. I won't bore you with ALL the details, but I did want to touch on a few things. To me, the overwhelming theme of most of the talks and meetings was- "Use the USA Swimming resources." There are many people at USA Swimming working hard to help all of our clubs, coaches, parents, and athletes stay educated about our sport. Please feel free to contact USA Swimming anytime by calling, emailing, or checking out the website. Especially take note of the IM XTREME Challenge. The challenge is up and running, and will soon be expanded to include all kinds of different options. Check it out on the USA Swimming website under the times and time standards section.

The other big issue for coaches and swimmers was the rule change in Breaststroke. The FINA rule change was adopted word for word by USA Swimming. I'm not going to go into detail about the change right now. I feel every coach should look at the rule and incorporate it how they see fit. Personally, I don't agree with the change but it looks like it's probably here to stay. However, FINA will be discussing this rule again in October.

Please check out the USA Swimming website or contact Bruce Stratton with further clarification on this rule.

On another note, the Sectional Altitude Camp is getting close. We will have 10 boys and 10 girls participating in the camp. The list of names is on the Oregon Swimming website and listed on page 2 of this newsletter. These athletes will be training at the Olympic Training Center in Colorado Springs from October 27-30. It should be a great experience!

Oregon Swimming is coming off a great summer with many new records established. I'm sure we will have another great fall and winter! Good luck to all of you as we enter into this new season.

DISABILITY SWIMMING

EUGENE A. MIELKE

National Disability Championships: United State Paralympics (USP) sponsored the 2005 National Disability Championships and US Open, at the Mt. Hood Community College pool in Gresham, July 15 – 17, 2005. At the meet, one Oregon record, nine American records, nine Pan-American records, one European record, 3 FESPIC records, and two world records were set. Julie Crisp, Columbia-Willamette YMCA, set Oregon, American, and Pan-American records in the 200 backstroke for S7 swimmers. Congratulations Julie.

Future National Disability Championships: For the time being USA Swimming is suspending the hosting of the National Disability Championships. USP is planning to host summer and winter meets of each year. The United States winner in each event at the summer meet will be crowned the National Champion.

Future Direction of USA Swimming's Disability Competition: USA Swimming will be concentrating their efforts on building the base for Disability swimming here in the United States. To this end USA Swimming will offer a Junior Disability meet. This meet is unique in that it will be conducted as an internet meet. The details as to what events and distances for each classification are still being worked out, but will probably include 50s and 100s of each stroke, and the 200 IM. For 8 and under swimmers, the distances would be 25s of each stroke and the 100 IM. Swimmers would participate by registering with the National Staff, and then swimming at one or more LSC meets between set dates. The times would be gleaned from meet results submitted through the SWIMS database. I will provide more information as it becomes available.

Survey: I will be including a survey again this year to gain information regarding swimmers with functional disabilities, have cognitive disorders, are blind, or deaf or hearing impaired. It is important for you coaches or team registration chairs to fill these out and return them to me. This will definitely help OSI serve our swimmers with disabilities better, and make sure they get the information for the internet meet.

Administrative Procedures for Seeding Swimmers with a Disability: USA Swimming has prepared a set of administrative instructions for implementing seeding for swimmers with a disability. These will be available on the OSI web page shortly. If any meet director, Hytek or timing console operator, or referee would like a copy beforehand, please let me know.

Outreach Task Force: In response to the problems with focus and direction of the Outreach Committee, USA Swimming President, Ron van Pool appointed a task force to look into the entire Outreach program. The task force reported their findings to the USA Swimming Board of Directors on September 15, 2005. The task force developed mission and vision statements as well as five goals and objectives. Target goals were set for the completion of each goal.

Mission Statement: USA Swimming is committed to increasing multicultural, ethnic, and socioeconomic diversity at all levels of the sport to achieve and foster an inclusive swimming environment.

Vision Statement: As the national governing body for competitive swimming in the United States, USA Swimming has a vision to create and maintain an

environment which is free from participation barriers for persons from all cultural, ethnic, and socioeconomic backgrounds. Diversity and inclusion are valuable components that will benefit the organization at all levels. Embracing the strengths and beauty of diversity enhances the mission of USA Swimming which is to build the base, promote the sport, and achieve competitive success.

Goal 1. Determine USA Swimming's "true"

Membership Status: Target date is 12/31/06. In the past approximately 50% of the membership checked "decline" on the registration form. That option will be gone with 2007 registration forms. Additionally USA Swimming will investigate using an outside research organization/university to determine our true status. Additionally there will be some (as yet defined) incentive programs to get the LSCs to have more of their members fill out the ethnicity section.

Goal 2. Educate membership on importance of

multi-cultural diversity: Three of the sub-goals: 1) Task force presentation to the Board of Directors; 2) Development of the Mission and Vision statements; and 3) Introduction/diversity education at the 2005 United States Aquatic Sports convention, have been completed. Two additional sub-goals of diversity training for the USA Swimming Board and Staff and a cover story in Splash magazine have a target date of December 2006.

Goal 3. Increase participation by addressing multi-

cultural and socioeconomic issues: As USA Swimming is not in a position to take on the multi-cultural and socioeconomic issues on their own, the task force saw the need and value in partnering with other organizations to develop a comprehensive program. To this end they will pick four cities for pilot programs by the end of 2006. The goal is to have two of these pilot programs up and running in 2006 and the other two in 2007. Additionally they have the goal of forming a partnership with at least two youth serving organizations by December of 2006, and additional partnerships with four multi-cultural organizations (more than one ethnic heritage) by December 2007. Additionally USA Swimming wants to form a better connection between the various Learn to Swim (LTS) programs and competitive teams, and get on the program for the National Association for Sports Development Commissions (NASD).

Goal 4. Public relations effort that attracts more

participation: Target date is 12/31/06. The task force would: 1) add a diversity section to the revision of the *Foundations of Coaching*; 2) note the ethnic in the elite athlete database; 3) hold a coach training section at the ASCA Clinic; 4) Develop at least one corporate relationship/sponsorship of an ethnically focused product; and 5: create a Diversity Award. Also USA

Swimming has planned a special press conference promoting diversity at the Olympic Trials in 2008.

Goal 5. Have a Diversity Coordinator on the USA-S

Staff: USA Swimming would add a Diversity Coordinator to its staff by November 2005.

OREGON SWIMMING INC

Regular Meeting

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of Oregon Swimming Inc. was called to order by General Chair, Tim Stevenson, at the Multnomah Athlete Club at 7:06 p.m.

The following individuals were present: Tim Stevenson, Coby Van Andel, Robbert van Andel, Alex Nikitin, Judy L'Roy, Gene Mielke, Stan Benson, Lissa Parker, April Robinson, Kyle Kimball, Ken Schuh, Logan Storie, Marilyn Loitz, Mark Rienets

Minutes: Minutes from last meeting were approved as presented.

Treasurer (Jacki Allender) No report

Reports

Administrative Chair-Rick Guenther

Age Group (Lissa Parker) Written report submitted. A number of discussions have been held relating to the OSI 2005 11 & Over championships. A number of possible meet formats for next year will be submitted for consideration at the OSI HoD.

Convention at Lincoln city is under final arrangements for the meeting and the associated clinics.

Discussion was held regarding the possibility of adding a parent section to the OSI web site with information such as Zone trips, etc.

At the last Zone meet, accommodation for parents was limited. It was suggested that parents who think their swimmers may make Regionals, Zone, etc. should make reservations ahead of time and then cancel if they do not qualify.

Senior Report (Kyle Kimball) Championship meets were discussed, along with possible options for next year. Suggestions for the future formats for 11 & Over championships will be presented at the HoD. Based on the number of swimmers and the format this year, it has been calculated that there cannot be more than 3 heats of each event and still have time to fit a Prelims and Finals format. The feedback from the majority of people involved with the meet seems to indicate that this year's decision to run timed finals format was appropriate.

An equipment list is being developed by Gene Mielke and Coby for team hosting OSI Championships in the

future to ensure some of the equipment problems/shortages encountered this year will be avoided. This list will be added to the hosting team packet.

Have received 12 applications for the sectional team camp in October. The team must be finalized by the 27th of September. It appears everything will be under the budgeted costs, so athletes will not need to fund any short falls.

Coaches Report (Chris Richmond) No report

Athlete Reps (April Robinson & Logan Storie) Plans are in place to start communicating with athletes. Details will be coming out soon.

Scheduling (Skip Runkle) Discussion was held regarding championship site selection and the timing for this. Particularly the time needed to allow the host teams to make necessary preparations. .

Motion: Change the Championship bid process so clubs will submit the championship bids for the following year with the normal meet scheduling information in Feb/March each year. Site Selection committee will submit their final recommendation based on the bids received to the OSI May board meeting. The OSI board will finalize and publish the Championship sites after this meeting.

Result: Second and Passed

Motion: That the OSI board recommends to the OSI House of Delegates that the championship sites selected for the 2006 meets be accepted as proposed.

Result: Seconded and Passed

Time Standards (Andy Carlisle) No report

Technical Planning (Alex Nikitin) Alex supplied a list of comparative A time standards showing OSI and USA swimming. The general trend was that the OSI younger swimmer times are a little looser, and the older groups are much tighter than the national USA Swimming A times. It was also noted that OSI 15-16 year old time standards seem to be a little tighter than 17 – 18 year old standards when compared to the USA Swimming standards. Discussion ensued regarding what this means for Oregon Athletes. The consensus was that it is not obvious where OSI stands as the figures are not consistent across all strokes. Further research needs to be done by demographics with LSC of similar sizes. Washington and other LSC will be compared by Alex and Lissa in preparation for the OSI HoD. Alex will work with Robbert to see where the times achieved by Oregon athletes compare with other LSC's.

Web Site (Robbert van Andel) Work continues to develop the times database on the OSI web site. There are currently 450,000 results in the database.

Safety Chair (Jeanine Serrano) Safety training for coaches will be held at the House of Delegates on Friday night at Lincoln City.

Camp Coordinator (Heather Thomas) Heather has moved to California. This position is now vacant.

Officials Chair (Bruce Ludwig) There will be a 'train the trainer' seminar for interested officials on the Saturday morning at the OSI House of Delegates in Lincoln City.

Adapted (Gene Mielke) USA Swimming has changed the name of the Adapted Chair to Disabled Chair.

IPC meeting was held in Mt Hood in July. There were 1 Oregon, 9 American, 9 PanAm, 1 European and 2 World Record set at the meet. Julie Crisp and Aaron Paulson competed from Oregon. Julie set an Oregon, American, Pan American record in her 200 Backstroke race.

Office Manager/Registration (Coby van Andel) 2005 registration year is now complete. Registered Athletes increased from 4,810 to 5,320 this year. Seasonal athletes went from 938 to 1,042 this year. There were 211 coaches, 400 officials, and 814 non athletes registered in 2005.

Club and officials registration packets have been mailed. Officials wishing to recertify need to send their log to OSI, and take test on line at the USA Swimming web site. Both these will be approved by the Officials Chair before a new certification will be issued by the OSI office.

Sanctions Chair (Mark Rieniets) Indicated that he will be resigning from this position, effective after the OSI House of Delegates in October, Terry Johnson (Albany Aquatics) has will be filling this position next year

Awards Top 5 list is under development, and has been posted on the OSI web. Corrections are being made as the OSI office is notified of errors or omissions.

Awards Ceremony (Cheslah Barkdoll) The room has been confirmed in Corvallis for the Top 5 Awards ceremony, and final details are been finalized. Invitation will be sent to Top 5 Athletes at the end of October.

Star Chair (Jacki Allender) No report

Records (Cyndi King) Number of records have been broken and posted on OSI web site.

All Star Team (Jim Bove/Jeanine Serrano) Written report submitted. Zone team placed 3rd, and 2 relays swam a national time for all star teams. OSI submitted too many entries, and forfeited \$350 of entry fees. This

will be corrected for future meets. Oregon was noticed around the pool for their great team spirit.

OLD BUSINESS

Bylaws

Changed to OSI by-laws have been approved by USA Swimming. A number of changes need to be made regarding successive terms to reduce the maximum length of the terms of officers from 8 years to 4 years, as this was an oversight when the two year terms were introduced.

Motion: Approve change and recommend to the HoD.
Result: Seconded and Passed

Discussion regarding USA-S changing the committee name from Adaptive to Disability. Discussed the benefit of making a change to by-laws to allow Board of Directors to make housekeeping changes which result from USA Swimming.

Motion: Recommend to the House of Delegates that the OSI Bylaws be amended to permit the OSI Board to change the Bylaws for housekeeping updated generated because of changes from USA Swimming.

Result: Seconded and Passed

Open Water Championships: OSI needs to decide which distances they want for each age group in the championships. Forwarded to TPC for a recommendation.

NEW BUSINESS

OSI House of Delegates

Waiting for final venue arrangements and then they will be posted on the web site.

Newsletter Due to USA Swimming convention, the deadline for newsletter articles has been extended to September 25th.

Recruiting An inquiry was submitted to OSI board members regarding recruiting. The club has been advised to document the issue and submit to the review committee.

OSI General meeting will be on October 2nd in Lincoln City

Next Board Meeting: 7:00 p.m. on November 2, 2005 at the Hilton in Eugene.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:21 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by Mark Rieniets, Secretary

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