

GASL Meeting Minutes – May 22, 2019

1. February Minutes

- a. *Motion: Approve the February Meeting Minutes. Motion was Seconded. RESULT: All teams voted Yes by voice vote and the motion carried.*

2. Old Business

- a. Treasurer's Report
 - i. All teams have paid their dues; \$8000 is currently in the GASL account.
 - ii. Ribbon cost has increased by \$0.02 each (for 25,000 ribbons), which will need to be taken into account when determining dues for or next year.
- b. Schedule and Championships
 - i. Jen Busse indicated that the schedule history was added to an Excel spreadsheet; and Championship Meet assignments were made and are based on geography for the Silver and Gold Meets.
- c. Tech Training
 - i. Tech Training was conducted at Bay Ridge on May 8, 2019.
 - ii. Meet protocol was discussed during the training, and all Tech Reps are encouraged to be familiar with that protocol.
 - iii. Anyone who missed Tech Training should reach out to Bruce Reiter.
- d. Stroke and Turn (S&T) Training
 - i. All of last year's officials were sent registration information.
 - ii. 82 people have signed up for the clinics so far.
 - iii. GASL Officials Training clinics are scheduled for four dates (see [2019 GASL Officials Registration and Clinics](#))
- e. GASL Standing Rules Vote
 - i. Jen expressed the expectation that each team's Head Coach, Tech Rep, Head Timer, and all Officials (S&Ts and Starters) become familiar with the rules.
 - ii. She also suggested that each team post the Standing Rules on their web site, and have a laminated version of the Rules available at each meet for reference if needed. Standing Rules will be posted on the GASL web site.
 - iii. Pursuant to Section 3.5, Kevin reaffirmed that an opposing team's swimmers cannot be reseeded (to avoid a single-swimmer heat) except with permission of their head coach. No motion raised.
 - iv. Randy Skalski (DDST) proposed modifying the the Sheet Runner's handling of DQ slips (Section 3.2.3). A motion was passed for language to suggest that DQ slips route to Lead Official for near-real-time review, but that it is Lead Official's discretion to instead review them at the end of the meet. [Note that it's important for S&Ts to remain on deck for a few min-

utes to ensure that coaches can look through slips in case a question arises about the legitimacy of a call. In the future, we would like to give coaches nearer-real-time review opportunity, but at present this is a logistical challenge.]

- v. Randy also raised a question about ideal vs. minimum acceptable staffing (Section 3.2.2.1). The Rules suggest that teams try to staff as close to ideal as possible, but they should not feel pressure if the minimum is all that's achievable. No motion raised.
- vi. A motion was passed to improve clarity about the minimum number of people that each team must provide for each Official Role (Section 3.2.1) and each Administrative Role (Section 3.2.3).
- vii. Gennene Parker (AHST) cited hosting four home meets as a challenge. Remedies discussed included offering a visitor the opportunity to host instead, and having a team with no pool play host at AHST. Motion passed to create a scheduling procedure for dual meets and championship meets each year.
- viii. Motion passed to strike Section 1.1.2 in favor of continuing with USAS technical rules in that area.
- ix. Motion passed to delete the words “(Thursday Night)” in Section 3.5.3 Item 1. It is clear by inference that it is Thursday night or whenever teams mutually agree to extend.
- x. Motion passed to add specific language that Starter and Lead Official would stop and notify the coach when a swimmer false starts (Section 3.10.2).
- xi. Motion passed for standard “No Recall” false start protocol to be used for Relays (Section 3.10.3.2.3)
- xii. Time trials and inter/intra-squad meets were discussed; no motion was raised. The Board may issue guidelines related to conduct of these items versus leaving it as ad hoc decisions per the current rule.
- xiii. *Motion: Approve the 2019 GASL Standing Rules as amended during the discussion (allowing for revisions to correct typos and other minor issues, and future amendments as needed). Motion was Seconded. RESULT: A roll call vote was held; seventeen teams voted Yes (AST, BHST, BRP, CSC, CCST, DDST, EG, HFST, HILL, HMST, IHSC, ILBC, MST, SVR, SRC, TPP, ULM), no teams voted No, and the motion carried.*
- xiv. Kevin will send out the updated rules by the end of the week so teams can start using them. [Note: The final version of the 2019 Standing Rules can be downloaded from the [GASL Rules Page](#).]

f. GASL Website Update

- i. Future Use of Shutterfly

1. It was noted that Shutterfly contains historical data; Kevin noted that he has moved all of the Shutterfly files to the GASL Bulletin Board site (MyBB).
 2. After discussion, we reached consensus that we will continue to use Shutterfly for conversations through the end of this season, and remove it by the beginning of next season.
- ii. Set-Up and Maintain Team Email Addresses
1. All teams should confirm that their Team email address is set-up with the correct distribution list and contact Sandy Avery with any questions nohow to set it up. We will begin to use GASL email addresses as our primary communication method once each team's distribution list has been set-up and confirmed.

3. New Business

- a. The Medal Meet Seeding Meeting will be held from 6:00-8:00 pm on Monday, July 15, 2018, at Harting Farm. All teams should bring a check to pay their Medal Meet Fees, which are \$2.00/swimmer/event.
- b. Next GASL Meeting will be held at 6:30 pm on September 19, 2019, at the Harting Farm Clubhouse.