

General Chair Report

Olympian Presentation at RVCC on 9/27

Over two hundred fifty people attended these sessions which were well received by the athletes and their parents. Spoke to several families after the presentation who appreciated the event and hope that we would continue this new tradition. Special thanks to Michael Randazzo and Mo Abdelaal for coming up with the idea of recognizing our record breakers and SAA at this event, to Tiny Randazzo for a wonderful job as the emcee and hosting the presentation, and to Greg Eggert for securing and coordinating the activities of the Olympic athletes. On behalf of the LSC, I thank you for your efforts on a job well done.

Committee Appointments

Mo Abdelaal is appointed to the position of NJS Club Development.

Dan Bibb is appointed to the position of Parliamentarian and Policy Manual Editor.

Deuel Stephens appointed as NJS Diversity Chair.

Congratulations

At the recently concluded Winter Nationals in Greensboro, NC several of clubs had athletes competing at this meet. Congratulations to them on competing at this level of competition. Let's give a special shout out to former CJAC swimmer, Connor Jaeger, now swimming for Club Wolverine, for setting a new American Record in the 1650 free style. It was very special and exciting evening having both the men's and women's 1650 free record established in back to back races.

Financial Matters

The 2012 NJS amended tax return was and filed with the IRS as well as the 2013 tax return. USA Swimming has acknowledged receipt of both filings and have received both return receipt requests from the IRS. The recent review by an independent accountant has been completed and we are awaiting a management letter suggesting improvements to enhance our financial controls.

Discussions

I have had several conversations and correspondence with the EZ Diversity Chair about programs being conducted in other LSCs which might behoove us to emulate. Our new Diversity Chair was involved with one of these conversations.

Web Activity

A special survey for coaches and athletes 12/O was posted to the web site for completion by December 12th.

By now I'm sure all of you are aware of the modifications to the breast stroke rule adopted and implemented by FINA of 11/30 of this year.

A new section has been added to the site which will list the college chosen by NJS athletes to attend in the fall of 2015. For this to be a success we need athletes and coaches to keep us informed via the hyper-link on the web page.