

AWSA South Central Region

Annual Summer Meeting

July 28, 2017; 6:00 p.m.

Elkins, Arkansas

6:06 Meeting called to order by EVP Gordon Hall. A quorum was established.

Julie Krueger volunteer to Secretary and take down the minutes.

Bob Mayhew appointed to be the Parliamentarian.

January, 2017 winter meeting minutes accepted and approved. Motion by M. Chambers 2nd by Jerry Bautsch.

Treasury Report – by Kathy Ives. Head tax is coming in as we speak, 14 tournaments so far. USAWATERSKI is now asking for our monthly bank statements. We have lots of money \$26,890.51 and we need to think of ways to spend it to benefit our regions skiers. Biggest expense is travel stipends.

JD report – by Jennifer Parker – JD is going strong. We have had great donations to the fund. Clinics happened in Elkins, AR; San Marcos River Ranch, Lago Santa Fe, Aquaplex, Katy, and Bob did one in Oklahoma. We will put off choosing a site for next year's Jd tournament until the winter meeting. We have 13 new JD competitors this year at Regionals. Floyd reports that AquaPlex had 14 skiers in their clinic and 4 entered the grassroots tournament that weekend.

Approval of the council – certified by Elgin Faulkner substitutes as followed...

Floyd McCreight for Aquaplex

Robert Howerton for Bennett's

Mitch Grau for Deans

Jody Hooten for Frameswitch

Richard Williams for Princeton

Motion to approve by Elgin Faulkner, 2nd M. Chambers. Motion carries.

Membership Issues

EVP election – Chip Chipman nominated Gordon Hall, 2nd by Dan O'Reilly. Bob Mayhew made a motion to cease nominations and elect Gordon by acclamation, 2ND BY Jody Hooten. Motion carries.

Director election- Chip Chipman nominated Jerry Bautsch, 2nd by Mark Chambers. Bob Mayhew made a motion to cease nominations and elect Jerry by acclamation, 2ND BY Jody Hooten. Motion carries.

Mid-Winter meeting to be arranged by Bob Mayhew and to be in Katy, Texas, in Jan. '18.

2018 Regional bids tabled for the moment.

Regional Guides – to print or not to print? Discussion as follows...

Jon Penner inquired as to the cost. Total Cost is \$3000 to print and prep. \$1500 paid to put it together. \$1500 is what we pay AWSA to print it. Vote was taken to decide to keep the Guide 19 in favor, 7 opposed. Marc Zuzanek proposed that we change the pages we contribute to the magazine to further help new skiers and include something of more interest to our members. Grand majority (30ish) in favor.

Jody Hooten suggested that we go forward to AWSA and tell them that it would be good to give the member the choice of getting the guide or not.

Kathy Ives asked if it would be better to print fewer guides; answered not really since the printing cost is so minimal for incremental numbers.

Floyd McCreight suggested that we ask that guides be given out at the JD clinics.

Back to 2018 Regional bids...

Roger Boskus was willing but decided to stand down.

David West said Cypress was willing but nominated AquaPlex for 2018.

Gordon Hall made a motion that 2018 be awarded to Aquaplex and 2019 be awarded to Cypress. 2nd by Julie Krueger. Motion carried with a grand majority in favor.

Number of Appointed Officials at Regionals

The question was raised that perhaps we have fewer appointed Officials. Richard Williams stated that no less would be appropriate as judges and scorers were doing double duty this weekend. Roger Boskus suggested a stipend and perhaps not pay all expenses in the future. Jon Penner suggested that the region treasury subsidize these expenses. We would perhaps change some requirements. Susan Leach asked if they would not come if the expenses were not paid. The topic was tabled.

Regional Records

Discussed whether regional records should be allowed to drop down into age divisions, when set by elite skiers skiing in elite divisions. Or, should the record stay in the event that the skier competed in that day in the event. When a skier is promoted to Level 10, these skiers would not be allowed to have a score in the age division. Floyd pointed out that these skiers could sand bag into the age division. No action.

Level 10

Chad Scott posed the question – Are we as a region in favor of Level 10?? He pointed out that the Nation was 50/50 on the rule so why was it being pushed. Gordon pointed out that this rule came out of the Rules committee from a Proposal of a member and the room of 20 Plus directors across the Nation were presented this rule and voted in favor of

it. The committee does not write proposals; they come from members. This type proposal has come forward for at least the last 3 years.

Robert Howerton asked that each director state how they voted and why. All directors stated they voted in favor and stated their reasons. It was pointed out that Pro skiers were on the Age division ranking lists, pushing others out of qualifying for Nationals. Other issues are that these Pros are then winning the ranking list awards. It was also stated that this Rule would only be in effect in events where there 5 competitors that met the Level 10 rank, and that in all scenarios presented in the winter meeting, all competitors would be extremely competitive. One of issues brought forth is that some of the Rules we would like to put in place are not accepted on the World Level and that is why we have come to this. Chad asked that we go to IWWF as ask that slalom skiers be able to choose their boats (like trickers). It was stated that this has gone forward in the past, and shot down.

Chad Scott made a motion to take and electronic survey of the region to see where the region is in favor of Level 10. Lori Krueger 2nd. Motion Carried, None opposed.

Ken Buchheit – stated that Nautique sponsored 12 “Swerve” events. Nate Smith gave instruction. Events were well received and went great. One was held at Frameswitch.

Gordon Hall made a motion to adjourn 2nd by Anne Hamilton. All were in favor. Meeting adjourned at 7:20 p.m.

8/1/2017 11:19 Written and recorded by Julie Krueger