Clubs Present:

AQTC, ASC, ATOM, CHY, CVAC, DUKE, FAST, GOLD, GSA, GSC, HPSC, MAC, MOR, NCAC, NMA, NSS, RMY, RSA, SA, SAC, SQID, STAR, TYDE, WAVE, WST, YBAC, YOTA, YSST, YWNC. (See attendees at end of minutes)

Board Members Present:

Wayne Shulby, Bob Probst, John Roy, Jon Jolley, Carl Labonge, Jon Fox, Aaron Reeves, Trish Martin, Alan Pfau, Mike Hoffer, Peter Carney, Joel Black, Richard Pockat, Paul Silver

The meeting was called to order at 1:12 PM by Wayne Shulby, General Chair.

I. Welcome

a. Host representative, Jeff Dugdale, Queens University.

b. Queens University announced plans for sports complex expansion to include competition pool with completion by 2012.

II. Officer and Committee Reports:

a. Richard Pockat, summary of USA Swimming Board of Directors in August. Key topics included child protection measures. Most motions were approved by the USAS House of Delegates were and are summarized on the USA Swimming website.
b. Learn-to-Swim program sponsored nationwide includes collaborative project with SwimMAC and Wendy's of the Carolinas. Wendy's offered 14,000 free swim lessons and water safety clinics. Fayetteville site alone featured 600 attendees. Amy Monroe, SwimMAC recognized for her leadership with this project.

c. Southern Zone was first nationwide for Scholastic All-Americans. NCS was third in the nation overall. Most swimmers from NCS to compete in Juniors and Seniors ever. Several NCS swimmers placed on international and national teams.

d. NCS achieved LEAP (LSC Evaluation and Achievement Program) Level 2 recognition.

e. Coleman Flynn, At-Large Athlete Representative elected as Southern Zone Junior Athlete Representative.

f. USA Zone Diversity Camp hosted by Central Zone last summer. Rodney Sellars and Suzanne Dingelmeier will conduct a Southern Zone Diversity Camp next summer in Charlotte. NCS Diversity Committee is developing a two-day format. The committee is considering a 50% discount for outreach athletes. Benchmarking with other LSCs. Proposal to Board pending.

III. Elections

a. Peter Carney moderated elections to the NCS Board of Directors. Nominations originated from the Nominations Committee and from the floor.

b. Results:

i. General Chair, Wayne Shulby

ii. Admin Vice Chair, Bob Propst

iii. Treasurer, Jon Fox

iv. Secretary, Jim Riggs

v. At-Large Athlete, Kaitlyn Ken, SwimMAC

vi. At-Large Athlete, Michelle Navarro, WAVE

vii. Age Group Vice-Chair, Jon Jolley

viii. Sr. Vice Chair, John Roy

ix. Safety Chair, Trish Martin

x. Finance Chair, Carl Labonge

xi. Membership Chair, Suzanne Heath

xii. Technical Planning, Alan Pfau

xiii. Zone Head Coach, John McCall, STAR

xiv. Junior Coach Representative, Mike Brady, TYDE

IV. Budget Review

a. Jon Fox presented revenue and Carl Labonge presented expenses.

b. Concern for cost of background checks for non-athlete members, currently 301 coaches, 360 officials and 122 other members required for checks. Final cost impact to be determined and updated to the Board.

V. Legislation

a. Peter Carney moderated proposals and motions. Majority guidelines for simple majority or of 2/3 vote as required in the By-Laws.

b. R1 to delete references to Parts I and II in By-Laws and General Rules to simplify content. Passed.

c. R2 for automatic removal from the Board for non-attendance. Amended to add word unexcused to Line 53 to allow the Board to excuse absences. Passed.

d. R3 to delete restriction on dual sanction events. Consolidate approach with Masters and YMCA meets. Passed.

e. R4 to provide a review mechanism for changes to a proposed meet after the bid and approval process. Amend for complete substitution to include in Article 203 Sanctions and Approvals. Allows for splash fees (including late fees), facility fees, and travel fund fees. Ultra Swim and Sectional Meets are exempt. Failed. Additional open discussion with additional amendment to add language and dropping NCS approved wording, R-4 as amended, passed.

f. R5 to define the portions of a facility available for competition. To provide additional detail to participants. Passed.

g. R6 with two proposals A and B. R6A to eliminate travel fund. Failed. R6B to update Travel Fund procedures to be consistent with changes to competition schedule and eliminate inconsistencies. Further amended to add “observed swim or approved meets.” Passed.

h. Fees to clarify 211.4.3c for Senior Age Group meets year round of 8% for sanctioned and approved meets. Passed.

i. Flat fee to clarify 202.3 with amendment to insert after closed “league”, Flat fees only charged by closed leagues. Passed.

j. Outreach membership mandated at USAS Convention that definition of outreach membership be defined in LSC By-Laws. Move from policy manual to NCS By-Laws. Passed.

k. Additional discussion to clarify transfers. USAS ruled that an LSC cannot deny a transfer form without proper litigation against a swimmer with outstanding debts from previous club.
I. Motion to reconsider allowing athletes to attend Juniors and Seniors to receive funding. Tabled.

VI. Scheduling

a. Long Course 2011
   i. Approved schedule with exception of host for Senior Championships
   ii. QCD has meet on June 24 – 26 that was omitted in error from the schedule handout, but it is part of the official schedule

VII. Time Standards

a. Time standards for 2011 Short Course AG Championships reviewed. Change for 13-14 Girls SC 200 yd Free the only time slowed down. All other times stayed same or faster.

b. Long Course no changes at this time.

c. Motions to approve time standards. Passed.

VIII. 2011 Spring House of Delegates

a. Bids to host were reviewed from YOTA and HPSC. By vote, High Point Swim Club selected as host.

IX. Richard Pockat and Peter Carney recognized for their service and support of NC Swimming.

X. Contact Committee Chairs if you are interested in joining a committee.

XI. Non-athlete membership is $53 for 2011. Background checks will be required as part of certification process.

XII. HOD drawing for $500 coach education grant. Rob Rooks was the winner.

Meeting adjourned at 5:05 PM, by Wayne Shulby, General Chair.