Conference Call Minutes Wednesday, May 7, 2008

Board Members Present:

Peter Carney, Casey Charles, Kate Esch, Jon Fox, Suzanne Heath, Bob Probst, Kit Raulerson, Aaron Reeves, Janet Scott, Wayne Shulby, Mark Toburen, Jonathan Watson

Board Members Absent:

Cari Blalock, Bob Peterson, Richard Pockat, Laura Raichle

Visitors:

Alex Black

1. Minutes

The minutes of the April 2, 2008 conference call were approved.

2. Minutes

The minutes of the April 13, 2008 Board meeting were approved.

3. Spectator Fees

Mark Toburen, Paul Silver, Kit Raulerson and John Roy met with Mike Curran to discuss spectator fees. Mike listened to opinions voiced by these head coaches and has decided not to move forward on this issue.

4. PAL/USAS

Kate Esch, Rodney Sellars and Suzanne Heath will each be recommended by Jonathan to receive a PAL for USAS. Jonathan needs a biography from each person.

5. Marketing Chair

There is a need for someone to pursue sponsorships, donations and to suggest ideas for raising money for NCS.

Jonathan had recommended a candidate for Marketing Chair but will withdraw that name and suggests that the Board research businesses that might be willing to do pro bono work. The group will need to understand swimming and to be aware of USA Swimming restrictions on sponsors.

6. Zone Team Selection

It was moved and seconded that the Zone Team be selected in the following manner: 14 and unders will only be allowed to submit times from Age Group Championships.

15 and overs may use times from Senior Sectionals or the NCS Senior Championships to apply. All times swum through Saturday evening of the NCS Senior Championships will be allowed, but only prelim times on Sunday may be used. Mile times may not be used, but times from the 800 will be accepted. MOTION FAILED

It was moved and seconded that the Zone Team selection process be decided by the Head Coach of the Zone Team, the Zone Staff, the Zone Manager and the Age Group Chair. Alex Black, the Head Coach of the Zone Team, will organize a conference call to be held by May 21, 2008. The Zone Team selection process decided upon on that call will apply only to the 2008 Zone Team. There will be no precedent set for the selection of future Zone Teams. MOTION PASSED

7. Reimbursement for Olympic Trials

Reimbursement for Olympic Trials has been referred to the Travel Fund Committee chaired by Mark Toburen. They will make decisions about eligibility and bring a recommendation to the Board in June.

The conference call adjourned at 1:04pm.