

2016 Southern Region Summer Meeting Minutes

07:15 pm

Thursday, July 21, 2016

Capstone Hotel, Tuscaloosa, AL

Bob Schouten- EVP
Lyman Hardy- National Director
Jody Seal- National Director
Jim Jaquess- National Director
Jeff Clark- Southern Region Treasurer

MEETING MINUTES

1. Meeting was called to order by EVP Bob Schouten.
2. Jeff Clark was appointed Parliamentarian
3. Introduction – Attendees introduced themselves. Schouten expressed his gratitude to the officials for conducting an excellent tournament.
4. Quorum was announced with approximately 45 Southern Region members in attendance. A sign in sheet was available for all members as they entered the room. This sheet was retained by the EVP.
5. The agenda was reviewed and approved
6. The election of officers was conducted for both EVP (Bob Schouten) and National Director (Lyman Hardy). No nominations were received from the floor and both positions were filled by acclamation.
7. The Winter 2016 Meeting Minutes were reviewed. Motion to approve: Jim Jaquess; 2nd- Bob Harris.
8. Treasurer's Report was presented by Treasurer, Jeff Clark. A detailed budget and P&L statement was presented.
9. Report of Executive Vice President- Bob gave a short verbal report.
10. Report of Federation Presidents: AL, FL, GA, KY, NC, SC, TN. Each federation gave a brief highlight of their respective state functions for the year.
11. Prior to the committee reports, discussion was held regarding attendance by committee representatives at council meetings. It was a consensus that persons on committees should attend the regional council meetings to participate in the discussion with the council and/or general membership.
12. Committee Reports

- Tellers Alan Long- No Report/Not Attending
- Awards Michele Seal- No Report/Not Attending
- Bylaws, SR, AWSA, USA-WS Jeff Clark- REPORT
- International Activities Stan Switzer- No Report/Not Attending
- Judges/Scorers Qualifications Ray Crenshaw- REPORT
- Rules R. Johnston / J. Pohlig- No Report/Not Attending
- Technical Jerry Jackson- REPORT
- Junior Development Bob Harris- REPORT
- Safety Leon Larson- REPORT
- Tournament Seeding Kirby Whetsel- REPORT
- Qualifications Dennis Longo- REPORT
- Boat Drivers Ham Wallace- REPORT
- Towboat/ Speed Control Greg Webb- REPORT
- Announcers Hank Longo- REPORT

- USA Water Ski Foundation Jeff Clark- REPORT

13. Old Business- No old business.

14. New Business

Regional Recommendations

Use of Older Boat Models- a discussion was held regarding the use of older model boats for tournaments. It was determined this item should be a Southern Regional recommendation for the towboat/rules committee to evaluate.

Senior Slalom/Jump One or Two Event Drivers able to fast track to Sr. Trick Driver

This item was initiated by Jody Seal. The council felt this had significant merit and should be a Southern Regional recommendation to be considered by the boat drivers/rules committee.

4 rounds per sanction

This item was discussed again (it has been brought up as a regional recommendation a couple of times prior), but the Rules Committee has now approved it and so has the AWSA E&F Committee. The Southern Region wanted to make sure this continues forward and felt it should be a Regional Recommendation again.

15. The meeting was adjourned at approximately 8:30PM.

It appears that we only have 3 recommendations to be forwarded by SR Council

I was told that we also had multiple concerns noted that "tournaments" are becoming unfair for some skiers.

More and more events are being pulled by exclusive boats. I have no date to find that "all boats" were not invited. I have seen this manipulated at some local events and it is hurting all manufacturers and can be partially related to the # of promos shrinking.

Many events are "invitation only" and this could have a negative impact to those not invited having a direct impact on their National and World scores

Both are worth mentioning

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