



# Minutes of the Summer TISDO Board of Directors Meeting Saturday, August 26, 2023

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The Annual summer Board of Directors' (BoD) Meeting of the Texas Interscholastic Swimming and Diving Officials (TISDO) was called to order on Saturday, August 26th, 2023, via Zoom.

**Attendance:** Board Members in attendance: Jim Holcomb (Chairperson), Mike Swaim (Vice Chair/Swim Rep), Janet Cranmer (Secretary/Swim Rep), Chuck Chinnis (Swim Rep), Jennifer Mangum (Diving Rep), and Penny DiPomazio (appointed Diving Rules Interpreter). Brian Walls (Treasurer/Swim Rep) joined the meeting at approximately 7:10 PM, and Stewart Gephart (Swim Rep) joined the meeting at 7:33 PM. Rog Graham (Webmaster/Swim Rep) and Gloria Schuldt (Appointed Rules Interpreter) were both unable to attend.

**Welcome:** Chairperson Jim Holcomb called the Zoom Board Meeting to order at 7:04 PM with a quorum present.

**Secretary's Report:** Janet Cranmer, Secretary, noted that the minutes for the February Meeting were approved by the Board and are posted on the TISDO Website.

**Registration and Testing:** Jim reported that he has met with DragonFly over the summer, and they have been very cooperative. They have discussed how to eliminate the confusion we had last season. Jim noted that we need to remind everyone that DragonFly is the official platform for EVERYONE and EVERY SPORT in NFHS. TISDO is the only group that has a separate registration and test for Diving and we do many things differently. Therefore, separating the Diving and Swimming Registration was new to DragonFly. With Penny's and Jennifer's help, we hope they will be successful in creating separate testing for each, and Jim will review this with our DragonFly Rep, Ryan. Since we have only a few of our members who do Swimming and Diving, Penny and Jim will move those individuals manually once they register. Members should notify Penny if they wish to be in both. Jim also reported that unfortunately, approximately 40 members registered already. Even though we had not yet set the date for the TISDO Registration, general registration was "open" because of DragonFly being available to ALL Sports. We all need to remind our members that TISDO is not ready for our Texas Officials to register until AFTER September first each year. Jim will now need to contact each of those members who registered early, and they will need to amend their payment. The TISDO portion was not yet decided or available when these people registered.



The next discussion was to decide on the TISDO amount for registration. The NFHS registration amount is set by DragonFly at \$25.00 plus an additional amount for credit card fees. This year it will be \$3.29 for the credit card fee on the \$25.00 NFHS Fee equaling \$28.29. To calculate the TISDO fee, we will subtract the total NFHS Fee and Credit Card Fee from \$50. That amount will be the TISDO Fee for this year, so we get as close to the \$50.00 we promised members. This year TISDO's portion will be \$21.70 to equal \$49.99. Brian mentioned this does not match the amounts on the email Roger sent out to post for members. Jim will contact Roger to make the corrections and adjust the amounts prior to posting. All of this will be done for the TISDO Registration to go LIVE on September first, 2023. Chuck asked if there was a way for us as representatives to get a list of members to contact and to send books. Janet commented that having members pick up books at clinics has always been recommended, and that we also mail books to those who contact us. It was suggested that Chuck use last year's list to mail books to members within the Dallas/Ft. Worth area zip codes.

**Budget:** Brian emailed the budget to all Board Members, but it was based on reducing our TISDO Fee. Now that some people have registered, he will amend this budget to reflect the current fee structure. However, in the future, Brian suggested that with our balance is increasing to exceed what is wise for a 501(c)(3) organization. The Biggest expense we have at TISDO is paying for Rules Books. There has been a small increase in Board of Directors' Insurance premium. The other bill of significance is for our Name Badges each season. We have not yet received a bill from the UIL, probably due to the new administration. Janet inquired about providing something of a "gift" to members since we have not done anything since, we began to order Official Registration Name Badges. There was some discussion of different items we may consider. Chuck described a small notebook/pen set his company distributed once and he gave the leftovers to officials at a meet. The response was very positive. Janet said anything with the TISDO Logo may help to remind members that we are their organization and not UIL or TISCA. Janet will contact Hasty to see what they suggest since the easiest way to distribute would be with the Name Badges after Registration. Brian will create a new treasurer's report and budget and send to Board Members as soon as possible.

**Trainings and Clinics:** Janet sent her PowerPoint to all members prior to the meeting. She used the NFHS Swimming Course and Video to create her PowerPoint along with the NFHS Post of the 2023 - 2024 Rules Changes. She is willing to share this resource with anyone wishing to do a clinic and will be sure the final edition is sent to Roger to post on the website. Jim then reviewed those Rules Changes for Swimming as being the resubmerging at the finish of the backstroke, the separation of the hands for the finish and turn of the breaststroke and butterfly, and the removal of the "checking for decency" to further eliminate our role as suit police. Penny had no significant rules changes for diving to discuss.



**State Meets:** Janet asked if anyone had the exact dates for the 4A State Meet yet. Dates for each were reviewed as: 4A Meet in San Antonio February 15th and 16th and the 5A and 6A Meets would be in Austin February 23rd and 24th. Jim mentioned that he has not been contacted by the new UIL Administration yet, so Referee Status and other information is not yet confirmed. Janet will contact the hotels again to create a room block with best rates available and a meeting room for after the meets in Austin for the TISDO General Membership Meeting and Elections. Jim will contact Roger to post the applications to work the State Meet by September first to give people a lot of time to get their application turned in on time. Hopefully, Jim will hear something from the new Administration at the UIL as soon as things get settled for them.

**Other Business:** There will not be a TISCA (Texas Interscholastic Swimming and Diving Coaches' Association) Meeting in Austin in September. It will be held in April next year (2024) due to the addition of water polo. Penny suggested that anyone interested in diving information register and attend the PDVA Virtual Meeting September 9th & 10th. Janet wanted to officially congratulate Penny for being inducted to the Lubbock ISD Hall of Honor for her service to Lubbock ISD and the diving community in Texas. Janet also wanted to officially express condolences to Jenny on the loss of her father recently. Jennifer thanked the members of the Board who independently sent a flower arrangement with a lovely crystal cross for her mother to keep. Her mother wished to express her thanks. At this time, the Board expressed condolences to Stewart for the loss that week of his father, which is why he connected a bit later to the zoom meeting. Janet reminded us, if we are comfortable, please share these types of events so we can recognize and support each other as friends and co-board members.

With no other business, a motion was made by Chuck Chinnis and seconded by Jennifer Mangum to adjourn. The motion passed and the meeting was adjourned at 7:50 PM.

Respectfully submitted  
Janet Cranmer, Secretary

