

WPRA AQUATIC SECTION MEETING

Thursday, November 1, 2018 12:30-1:00 PM
Grand Ballroom G

1. CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL

Missy Kedzorski x	Kiley Schulte x	Megan Phalin x
Chad Duerkop x	Melody Escoto x	Jennifer Froemming x
Renee Vanselow x	Kathryn Jenkins x	Ann Moeller absent
Cyndi Robertson x	Tyler Mentzel x	Kevin Milak x

2. APPROVAL OF November 2017 MINUTES

- a. Jennifer Motioned
- b. Renee Second

3. OFFICER REPORTS

- a. Chair – M. Kedzorski N/A
- b. Chair Elect – K. Schulte N/A
- c. Past Chair – R. Vanselow Thanked everyone for a great 3 years on the board. Other reports will be listed below
- d. Secretary/Treasurer –

4. REGION / WPRA REPORTS

- e. Region 1 (PARPRO) – C. Duerkop – N/A
- f. Region 2 (NEWPRO) – M. Escoto – N/A
- g. Region 3 (PARR-3) – K. Jenkins – N/A
- h. Region 4 (SEPRC) – K. Milak – N/A
- i. WPRA – J.Rzepka, J.Trippler – Not present
- j. WPRA Board – A. Moeller – Not present

5. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- k. **Budget** – M. Kedzorski, R. Vanselow, K. Schulte - The 2018 budget numbers will be finalized after conference budget number come in. Will have an update at the December meeting on final numbers.
- l. **Codes & Updates** – C. Robertson, M. Escoto – No new codes or updates
- m. **Public Relations** – K. Jenkins, J. Froemming
 - i. PR Monthly (Due to WPRA /Jessica by third Wednesday of the month for next month's issue)
 - ii. Articles for Impact Magazine
- n. **Nominating** – K. Schulte, M. Escoto, A. Moeller, K. Milak
 - i. Chair Elect – Kabel Helmbrecht
 - ii. Region 1 – Josh Kriesel
 - iii. Looking for secretary to take over Dan's open position since he left Janesville. (possibly Jeff Zakoski from Janesville will replace Dan).
 - iv. At Large – Nicole Jacobson MKE Public Schools
 - v. At Large -
- o. **Rules of Order** – M. Phalin – No report
- p. **Section Awards** - M. Escoto, M. Phalin, T. Mentzel
 - i. Facility Design – Appleton
 - ii. Young Professional – Kiley Schulte
 - iii. No professional of the year
 - iv. Greenville Parks & Recreation for Program of the Year
- q. **Technician Workshops** – C. Duerkop , C. Robertson, K. Milak, K. Schulte
- r. **American Red Cross Task Force** - T. Mentzel, M. Kedzorski, R. Vanselow,
 - i. American Red Cross has proposed using the wording "Partnership with WPRA Aquatic Section" and we

agreed that it instead should be discount if a member of WPRA. The 'statement' of partnership would require a formal agreement approved by the WPRA Board.

- ii. P&R Monthly – Curtis asked if information regarding the AE Program could be published here (did we reply?)
- iii. Curtis quoted us a “special” discounted WPRA member rate for the AE Service for Summer 2019 - \$1,300 for 1 site visit, \$1,500 for 2 site visits – he stated these represented about a \$200 discount off their “standard” rates.
- iv. Curtis asked if he could be cc or bcc on newsletters or section emails sent out – I did say I could also forward them to him as well. He is experiencing pressure from his “higher ups” to share an email list to them. We agreed that our WPRA Aquatic Section membership email list is private.
- v. Curtis announced that we all should be receiving a letter from the American Red Cross, per our AP and LTP Agreements; they have to give us 30 days’ notice of fee changes so we should see it sometime soon, that across the board we will see our class fees increased by \$2 per cert. He did admit that the Health and Safety programs are generating funds that are used in Disaster Services. (as of November 7 – Renee has yet to receive this letter or any notification but thinking we might want to include that in a future email to section members)
- vi. Curtis announced that as of January 2019 there will be a new LMS system replacing what we know as SABA. The purpose of it is to streamline things a bit but it should also catch if our AP and LTP agreements are not current or if an instructors certs are not current, it will not allow course records to be entered. Most agreements are currently on a 3 year cycle. Departments might want to check when their agreement will expire to stay ahead of this. He indicated that we should be receiving emails regarding this switch in the near future and to watch instructors corner for announcements as well.
- vii. Curtis announced, per our American Red Cross Lifeguard Instructor Manual page 12 as part of the 2017 Lifeguard update, that Lifeguard Instructors are authorized to teach CPR for Professional Rescuer classes however, to teach down to what we formerly knew as the Lay Rescuer courses or Community Courses (single rescuer stuff) and stand alone First Aid courses, there is an online bridge course available that LGI’s and LGIT’s would need to complete and now also keep current, that provides an orientation to these standalone materials. Facilities that teach classes besides the LG course should take the time NOW to check if their LGI and LGIT staff members have done this bridge so they can continue to teach these courses.
- viii. Curtis announced, starting in January 2019, the next round of LGI inperson updates, will be starting as part of the next recertification cycle. He is anticipating this LGI and LGIT recertification will not involve an online portion strictly the inperson piece. As of October 2018, there has not been an updated outline for the LGI inperson update course so we are assuming that it will involve the same skill sets as last time. LGIT’s should keep an eye on Instructors Corner before teaching their next LGI inperson update session. He also stated there will be zero grace periods this time around. The American Red Cross should be sending out an email 90 days prior to expirations. However, it is suggested that you log into Instructors Corner to keep tabs on your expiration dates so you do not lapse.
- ix. We briefly spoke about Learn to Swim programs. I questioned what support would be available from the American Red Cross for facilities looking to get started. Tyler asked if there was any Quality Control aspects being planned for Learn to Swim. Curtis stated that he currently is on some committee within the American Red Cross that is looking at the next WSI update. One of the pieces under discussion is creating (or bringing back if you have been around as long as I have) the BSI or Basic Swimming Instructor course. A person holding a WSI certification would be able to teach this BSI course. BSI’s would have the ability to teach swimming levels, typically the Preschool up to Level 3. WSIT’s would continue to teach the WSI course and WSI’s would continue to be able to teach all the swim levels in the American Red Cross Learn to Swim program. Many years ago, the BSI course was rarely used which is why it probably was dropped. This would take the demand off the shortage of WSIT’s as in facilities could run a Learn to Swim program feasibly with 1 WSI training the BSI staff under them. Just something to keep an eye out for in the next WSI update. He did not give us a timeframe for this.

x. Curtis introduced new Applications from Councilman- Hunsaker:

- Link here to the press release
<http://councilmanhunsaker.com/2017/03/10/press-release-american-red-cross-and-councilman-hunsaker-partner/>
 - Curtis did a brief demo for me. The purpose of the Hydro App's is to bring all the documentation necessary for Aquatic facility and program management under one umbrella. For example, it will track your staff certifications and inservice records – sending notifications of upcoming expirations even. It also has the ability that your staff can log in to document facility opening and closing tasks and documenting maintenance issues – even the ability to upload photos - and the ability to document “we closed the slide at x time due to a loose railing then documenting at x time the railing was repaired and the slide re opened”.
 - He said there are a series of Webinars – I found the following links for upcoming sessions:
 - <https://hydroapps.webinarninja.com/webinars/62090/register>
 - <https://hydroapps.webinarninja.com/webinars/62091/register>
 - The App's do have a license fee involved and Curtis seemed to think it would be based upon the number of employees and it would grant you so many account managers per facility.
- xiii. Curtis also gave the sales pitch on the new American Red Cross “Big Red” manikin:
<https://www.redcross.org/store/cpr-manikin-with-led-light-cpr-feedback/171103.html?cgid=manikins-and-lung-bags#start=1&cgid=manikins-and-lung-bags> Big Red is unique because it has LED lights underneath the skin that light up the manikin chest, through the carotid arteries and into the brain when CPR compression depth, compression rate and recoil are done correctly. Currently the list price is \$495 but remember that Curtis does have a 10% off discount code that can be applied to the purchase.

For clarification, terminology used in my report above:

AE = Aquatic Examiner Program

AP = Authorized Provider

BSI = Basic Swimming Instructors (proposed, does not currently exist as a certification)

Instructors Corner = website where certified instructors can obtain their teaching materials and updates

LG = Lifeguard

LGI's = Lifeguard Instructors

LGI in person updates = as part of the 2017 Lifeguard program update, Lifeguard instructors are now required to attend as part of their Instructor recertification process every 2 years (it serves as a knowledge and skills quality control)

LGIT's – Lifeguard Instructor Trainers

LTP – Licensed Training Provider

LMS – Learning Management Software

SABA = American Red Cross Learning Center for instructors/ a Learning Management System

WSI = Water Safety Instructors

WSIT's – Water Safety Instructor Trainers

- s. **Aquatic Seminar** – A. Moeller, K. Jenkins, J. Froemming
- t. **Conference** – R. Vanselow, M. Philan, M. Kedzorski, C. Robertson – Thank you for all attending conference this year. Sessions have been running smoothly. We will send out a survey after the conference for feedback.

6. **NEW BUSINESS** – N/A

7. **Other items** – N/A

8. **ANNOUNCEMENTS** – N/A

9. **NEXT MEETING** – December 11 at Carrico Aquatics 10:30 am

10. **ADJOURNMENT** – Tyler motioned, Holly second