

BOD Report

Executive Secretary

September 15, 2020

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- **Sanctions/Meet Schedules**—USA Swimming is encouraging squad, virtual, and small, local invites. MW will entertain requests for Sanctions that are in compliance with USA Swimming guidelines and local and state mandates. After August 1, 2020, times achieved at sanctioned meets can be used for national meets and programs. All meets that were bid for September-December have been pulled from the MW website. Going forward we are sanctioning meets on a case-by-case basis. There are nine (9) meets currently scheduled for this Fall. Most are CLOSED meets – squad meets or 3-4 team invites. Iowa teams seem to be able to host right now. Many Nebraska teams still do not have normal water or the ability to host meets. We are encouraging some restrictions on the meets being sanctioned – especially social distance and smaller sessions.
- **SAA and Midwestern Academic Awards** – MW has had seven athletes who have applied and been accepted for the USA Swimming Academic All America Award. The final list has not been posted yet. We had 27 successful applicants for the Midwestern Academic Award. Certificates will be distributed to clubs along with all other awards.
- **Awards** – There will be no awards luncheon this year. In early October we will bundle all awards up and mail them to each club. Awards will include MW Top 8, MW IMX Top 3 – SCY, MW Record Breakers, and Zone qualifiers. Some awards that have been given in the past just are not valid this year. We only really had a shortened SCY season.
- **Convention** – The USAS Convention this year is a Virtual convention. We are trying to keep the BOD and MW delegates abreast of the meetings and hoping more MW participants get involved. Web links have been sent to all voting delegates (General Chair, Admin Vice Chair, Sr Chair, Age Group Chair, Coach Representative, Athlete Representatives). Because it is virtual, anyone can register and join meetings via the web when links are posted or received..
- **MW Website** – We are trying to include updates from USA Swimming including notes from LSC Leadership meetings and anything else the membership needs to be aware of. Domain name has been renewed until 2025 through GoDaddy and domain privacy protection has been purchased too.