

Minutes for B.O.D. meeting at Bowdoin College 3/14/10

Attendance: Fritz Homans, Chris Branch, Tony Tenhayesh(?), Sally Johnson, Sean Flaherty, Tom Manduca, Jared Felker, Butch Babin, Leanne Gravel, Steve Elwell, Jay Morissette, Laura Branch, Judy Miller, Jim Gravel, Tom Branch, Matt Baxter, Jim Willis

1255pm meeting opened by Jim Willis

-10/17 minutes not approved by BOD because they haven't been produced for the group yet.

-msi is seeking a secretary aggressively for the board. Current secretary term ends 8/31/10.

-J.W. received one report from the officials chair though it was not emailed out yet

-Steve Elwell reported there is a concern about officials bowing out of officiating due to perceived parent/coach issues they are confronted with at meets. Also, recruiting officials is difficult. J.W. adds that Y states has ample officials, MSI officials come from largely 5 teams where as at Y meets each team has at least a few.

-question posed with regards to the merging of ymca and u.s. officials...Steve mentioned that it is largely just a matter of shadowing. There was much discussion of explaining the similarities of officials from the two leagues.

-JW mentioned that national is discussing having some different rules for younger swimmers.

-meet approval process was discussed. It must be done through a u.s. swim office. Submit sanction to registration chair and the chair will send it to the national office for approval. This would allow meets to merge u.s. swimmers and ymca swimmers in the same meet. Y teams could host an open meet that was approved so the u.s. registered swimmers could participate. Y closed meets cannot be approved.

-unfinished business

-zones/Laura branch

-Laura said 28 swimmers are ready to go. A few are waiting confirmation and two are on financial aide and want to go and are asking for assistance. Outreach program/40% assistance.

Zone cost 2010 is \$685/swimmer. Laura requests full \$1370 for the two outreach swimmers.

2009 trip had one full "ride" via the school lunch formula.

S.F. recommended one full and one 60% subsidy for the two athletes. Passed

-LB/Judy Milliken taking over as zone chair. LB motioned that Judy and her son have their zone room paid for this year.

SF motioned to pay 1/2 the cost of room. 2nd \$225

Judy would shadow Laura about the workings of a zone trip. Eric French zone assistant.

SE stressed we do this to help a prospective volunteer. JG spoke to the zone budget. Agrees with SE but disagrees that the budget has been set for zone 2010 and cost adjustments at this point would affect the budget. Vote 10-0-1

-MW motions to make Judy co zone chair effectively after zone 2010. passed 10-0-1

BB any word on bus/transportation yet? No

LB only one van driver to date which is a potential issue. She mentioned msi needs to rent vans not individuals

-JW; summer champs 7/21-24 at St. John, NB Canada, we need a meet director. Jim said he may take the Meet director course so he can be meet director. He will work at making sure that an expanded "accommodation" info list is available for this meet.

NEW Business

5/8-9/10 Eastern Zone Meeting in Ft. Lauderdale, Fla. JW recommends MSI send one person.

Jared Felker volunteers

P&P-

CB explained the sanction procedure/tightening up procedures for sanction tabled 11-0
4/15 Steve E will write up a formal proposal.

Tom Br. Motion to delete 1.3 \$5 fee for transfers. Passed 10-0-1

LB-motions to use "A" standard for top 2 "AA" for subsequent potential zone qualifiers. Zones
allowing 3 swimmers now. Group was unsure if this was true. Table the motion pending research 8-0-2

JW HOD/BOD 4/15 reminder

TB unregistered swimmer issues from 09-10

PPSC candy cane meet-ppsc did not send a recon file. It was discovered 2 LRSC and 6 PPSC swimmers
swam unregistered. TB recommended each club be fined for swimming unreg. Swimmers \$80 to PPSC
And \$20 to LRSC. Passed 8-0-3

SYOA meet recommended seals not fined for swimmer from ppsc- motion died and no fine wanted for
ppsc for a 2nd offence of \$20 4-5-1
Final fine totals ppsc \$240 and LRSC \$20

JW covered Bronze meet bids for 2011. 2 teams vying for the meet HSC/CMA. Each club given a
chance to present their proposals to group for vote
HSC/BB-its time for a change, feels HSC facility is good and the club can adequately staff meet with
officials and personnel and he wants a chance to host.
CMA/LG-cma hosted the meet many times and has experience, she worries about dates of meet but feels
cma can make adjustments to the meet to make it better, voiced concern with potential changes to meet
format. Cma will have a new meet director and they have good foods.

Dates and format issues will be discussed at coaches meeting. Dates could change up until the fall
HOD.

SE requests secret ballot on who we want to host. Vote 2-4-5 show of hands

JF motions HSC get the bid. Vote gets convoluted revote requested 5-0-3 or 5-0-6 HSC wins bid.

JW-MSI winter champs @ Bowdoin College for 2011

4/27/10 BOD teleconference meeting at 8pm

4/15/10 P&P or bylaw proposed changes must be to CB

More on zones-

JF motion to allow existing zone team to enter a 3rd event. 10-0-1

SE wants msi to provide white shirts with patch to prospective certified/registered officials.

B open financial report-MSI nets \$11200. winter champs MSI nets roughly a lot more

Motion to adjourn 220pm