

9/15/13 BOD Meeting

Roll Call: Jim Willis, Leanne Gravel, Matt Montgomery, Fritz Homans, Leanne Gravel, Tom Branch, Sydney Wight, Tom Manduca, Lia Langeveld, Mardie LaRiviere, John Smith, Nicole Viele, Dan St. Pierre, Jay Morrissette, Emma Waddell

Purpose: To go over rule change proposals for HOD meeting in October.

Unfinished Business

Clinic: There will be a clinic on October 5th. There will be a coaching clinic from 8-10:30am, clinic 11am-3pm and then HOD from 4-6pm. There are about 35 people registered at this time. Jim asked people to promote it to their teams.

New Business

The Technical Planning Committee held a meeting to discuss rule changes. A few people e-mailed rule change proposals and the committee discussed possible changes. All rule change proposals, as listed below, were approved by the BOD, with discussion and exceptions listed below:

Part 2 2.1 - 7. Champs Meets - For any Championship meet, individual events will be \$4 & \$5. Non Hy-Tek will be \$1. Dan brought up the issue of brand name and Hy-Tek. Current proposal is to change to paper entries will be \$1. Amendment by Jim to eliminate Hy-Tek and go back to paper entries. How do deck entries fit in? Teams can charge what they want if it's in the meet info. What about the surcharge for Championship meets? It's in a different article. 2nd to amendment - Tom B. Vote - All in favor with no opposed. Vote - Passes. Paper entries will be \$1.

Part 2 2.2 - How do we know who is going to be on this committee? Currently, there is not a scheduling subcommittee. The system we use is not the one that's in the policies and procedures. By doing this, it brings it more into line with what we do now. No objections.

Article M8 - If we change 8.1, we should change 8.2 because an approved meet should be the same thing. Motion by Tom B. to make 8.1 and 8.2 the same thing. 2nd - Leanne. Vote - All in favor. Vote - Passes.

Article M10, Under 10.4, 2nd sentence. What is a reasonable amount of time? It should be stated in a definitive amount of time. Proposal by Dan to eliminate this proposal. 2nd - Nicole. Vote - All in favor with 1 opposed. Vote - Passes. Proposal fails. This proposal is not endorsed by the BOD.

M17 - Meet results add B which says Team Manager. Dan brought up the issue of using a brand name versus what the results file (CL2) is called. Amendment by Jim that a Hy-Tek MM backup file (MT) and a TM meet results (CL2) file. 2nd - Tom B. Vote - All in favor.

M21, 21.6 - Change 1st sentence. If they miss finals, aren't they barred from the meet? We are trying to make it more in line with what we do. Allowing the swimmer to do trials is giving the benefit of the doubt to the swimmer. Relay swims were brought up and relays are in finals which is covered in the wording. Does the proposal stipulate that they will not be able to score in relays? The essence of it is that they shouldn't be scoring points. Vote - All in favor with one opposed.

21.8 Proposal to eliminate it. If someone hasn't paid their registration fees, should they be barred from swimming? Proposal by Tom B. to leave the way it is. No 2nd. Motion is tabled. Vote - All in favor. Vote - Passes.

M24 - Zone Team Selection 24.6 - eliminate shorts. This has not been done in the past. The kids who work hard should be getting recognition. All in favor with 2 opposed. Vote - All in favor. Vote - Passes.

25.1E proposal to add pass Athlete Protection Training. Can we put in wording that is similar to what we've done before. Proposal by Jay to put in similar wording for volunteers as required by USA swimming. 2nd - Tom B. Vote - All in favor.

M27 - Under coaches education, eliminate 27.2 Why? Can we change to may? Motion by Jim to not endorse this proposal. 2nd - Leanne. Discussion: Jim would like it to stay the way it is as according to the mission statement that we are trying to educate the members. Vote - All in favor. The BOD does not endorse this proposal.

29.1 Proposal to add 4 nights hotel for the Coach of the Year for ASCA instead of 3. Vote - All in favor.

Part 1: Fees and Requirements

1.1 Club Registration.

All coaches, assistant coaches, and substitute coaches must have current certifications as required by USA Swimming and be over ...

1.2 Athlete Registration change the fees to reflect current fee structure

1.3 Non-Athlete Registration update fees to reflect current

(2nd sentence) ... date of any or all of the certifications required by USA Swimming.

1.4 Membership Responsibilities. Eliminate the second sentence.

Article F2: Swim Meet Fees

2.1 Eliminate Bronze Meet

Championship Meets and Age Group Jr/Sr Trials and Finals Format Meets
Individual Events: \$4.00 per timed final event \$5.00 per trial/final event
Non Hy-tek entries \$1.00 per event

Article M2: Schedule

PART 2: MEETS

2.1 Schedule.

September ... April

2.2 Scheduling Subcommittee. Eliminate the 2nd sentence.

2.4 MSI Sponsored Meets. Change the 1st sentence to read as follows:

MSI will sponsor Championship Meets, qualifiers and other meets, such as Opens and All Star Meets. Eliminate the 2nd sentence.

Article M3: Time Standards.

Eliminate 3.3
Eliminate 3.4

Eliminate Article M4: Deleted

Renumber all Articles following M3 to reflect the deletion of Article M4.

Article 6.3

Application forms at least 45 days...

Article 6.4 eliminate the first sentence. Change the 2nd sentence to read as follows:

Applications for time trial, dual, triangular, and similar type meets not included in the sanction meet schedule must be submitted on MSI application forms 14 days prior to the event.

Article 6.5 first sentence eliminate results

Article 7.1 change 60 days to 45 days.

Article M8: Sanction and Approval Fees

Change 8.1 to as follows:

A fine of \$100.00 will be charged to the host club if the following conditions are not met:

Article M10: Swimming Awards

10.2 ... high point team trophies to the first and second place...

10.4 2nd sentence ... presented within a reasonable amount of time...

Eliminate 'Article M14: Deleted' and renumber Articles following.

Article M16: Change every 'Exhibition' to Time Trial.

Article M17: Meet Results

17.2 add

B. Team Manager

Article M20 Protests:

20.4 2nd sentence

The decisions of the MSI Board of Directors are binding on ...

Eliminate the third sentence.

Article M21: Championship Meets

21.1 eliminate 8 & under

21.2 eliminate the 2nd sentence

C. Change Participation to Subsidies for

Eliminate D.

21.3 eliminate last sentence.

21.6 change first sentence to read ...shall be barred from swimming in the finals and from scoring in the remainder of the meet.

21.8 eliminate

21.9 change all MSI Summer to MSI Winter

Any reference to Summer/Winter Championships changed to Summer/Winter Junior Olympics.

21.13 2nd sentence to read as follows: Teams may enter additional relays by using the following formula...

Article M23: Athlete Travel Fund

23.2 eliminate

23.3 eliminate

Renumber the article to reflect the changes

23.5 change the first sentence to read as follows:

Swimmers must qualify in an individual event prior to the meet and compete in an individual event at the meet to receive financial support.

Article M24: Zone Team Selection

24.6 eliminate shorts

Article M25: Zone Coaches and Chaperones.

25.7 eliminate

Article M26: United States Aquatic Spot (to Sports) Convention.

26.3 eliminate the first word 'Other'

Article M27: Coaches Education & Training

27.2 eliminate

A question was brought up about the date of the banquet.

Membership

First Aid is gone. It is in the Coaches Safety through the American Red Cross. Everyone is required to re-do Athlete Protection this year on a 1 year cycle. National will print cards and send them directly to their house. Coaches cards will not be printed unless they are 2014.

A question was brought up if there were any kids that competed at Summer Champs who weren't US registered? Were there Maine kids that swam that aren't registered? Have coaches been notified for either SYOA or Champs? There weren't recon reports submitted for SYOA or Summer Champs.

What policies and procedures do we have with kids who swim who are not registered? Tom M. asked Tom B. to send the report to himself and Jim a week before the Oct 5th meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 9:08pm.