



Mission: Create opportunities and provide resources to promote excellence in Maine swimming.

Vision: Maine Swimming: You CAN get there from here!

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Maine Swimming Finance Committee Meeting

3:00 PM 5/8/2020

Via ZOOM

Present: Holly Hatch, Stacy Kennard, Taylor Rogers, Brian Savage, James Wells, Jim Willis

Absent: Olivia Tighe

Guests: Brim Peabody, Mary Ellen Tynan

Called to order at 3:05PM

Mission and Vision statements read.

CLUB FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE POLICY: Presented proposal put together by Holly, Mary Ellen and Brim

Tier 1 and Tier 2. Tier 1 is for urgent needs and Tier 2 is to help teams recoup from summer losses.

Tier 2: Rebate a portion of loss revenue from summer meets. If they can show need. Our budget is \$12,500 for this fiscal year. Then in the fall can apply for start-up money in the fall.

Discussion of date of eligibility for grant: March 12th is starting date.

Eligibility: Took from USA Swimming for most-part. Discussion regarding payroll. Most teams receiving PPP so don't want double-dipping. There were only four meets last summer so those would be the only teams in Tier 2 and they were the only cub-hosted meets schedule for this summer.

Is rebate the right language? Refund is not correct either? Teams should be exploring the USA Swimming grant before they come to MESI for money. Change the word "match". Finance Committee will do initial review and present to the BOD for approval. Is there anyone in dire needs? Not right now.

Do two rounds – due June 15th for first round and August 15th for second round.

Discussion on documentation needed to apply. If they are applying for other grants they can just show us the same things. Spelled out in first bullet. Supply proof they have submitted for other grants and declare any other moneys received. We will also be looking at their sustainability.

Sponge notes that if we deny there should be an appeal or petition process.

Sponge makes motion to adopt and present to the Board. Second by Taylor. Motion passes unanimously

APPLICATION: Names, contact, Treasurer. Taylor said to mirror after USA-S. Mary Ellen will put on jotform.

Sponge makes a motion to move ahead with application. Second by Taylor. Motion passes unanimously.

P & P MEET FEE SURCHARGES – 900 POLICIES and MILEAGE REIMBURSEMENT POLICY: both need to be addressed. Will address mileage. We should be reimbursing volunteers at the charitable rate of \$.14/mile not the business reimbursement rate. The charitable rate will cover gas cost for most vehicles and that would free up more money for travel expenses. For athlete reimbursement they should be reimbursed at the business rate. Taylor makes motion to change 1803.6 to change to reimbursed for GPS/Google maps miles at the charitable rate and for



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contractors and athletes at the business rate. Reimbursed on basis for the shortest time route. This would allow for more flexibility going to Boston. What about parking in Boston? Coaches should not get reimbursed as their mileage should be covered by their club. Second by Sponge. Motion passes unanimously.

1203 – Mary Ellen suggested that when people travel together, each athlete must ask for reimbursement. Copy receipt for submission. Taylor makes motion for 1203 that application must be submitted by parent or swimmer, not coaches. Second by Jim. Sponge asks for clarification about 1204 and coaches submit for meet fee reimbursement. Motion passes unanimously.

901, 902, 903, 904, 907, 908 all have to be looked at. Relay surcharges need to increase for championship meets as \$12 for relays at regular meets. Several LSCs use different strategies. Also should distance events be more. \$12 for relays is really cheap. Most LSCs charge up to 4 times the cost of an individual event. Also charge out of state teams more for Bowdoin and MESIII. This is how we will rebuild our reserves after this pandemic and help with support outreach. Jim said non-MESI relays should be \$24. Taylor feels we need to re-evaluate all of the meet fees. Sponge asks about paper entry fee. Table motions to table. Second by Jim. Motion passes.

People review and think and come to next meeting prepared.

OTHER BUSINESS:

Discussion on pools reopening.

Next meeting Saturday, May 16th at noon.

Motion to adjourn made by Taylor, second by Jim.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Ellen Tynan
Office Administrator