



**MICHIGAN
SWIMMING**

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Minutes of the

Michigan Swimming Board of Directors Meeting
January 10, 2010

MSU Campus, 208 IM Sports West, East Lansing, MI 48824

Voting board members in attendance: Scott Appleyard (GLA, Officials Chair), Dave Goble (UN, Secretary), Margaret Green (DRD - Program Operations Co-Vice-Chair), Amelia Marsh (S – Athlete Rep.), Steve Potter (EGRA – Treasurer), Damon Robertson (S – Program Development Vice Chair), Michael Rogers, (SST – Administrative Vice – Chair), Bailey Weathers (CW – Safety Coordinator), Jeff Wilkins (DRD – Finance Vice - Chair), Julie Youngquist (LAC – General Chair).

Voting board members absent: David Brace (UN- Program Operations Co-Vice-chair), Michael Cutler (ROCK – Jr Coach Rep), Mike O'Connor (PA – Sr. Coach Rep), Clay Youngquist (LAC-Jr. Athlete Rep.)

Others in attendance: Jan Cartmill (MS Office), Tom Cartmill, Dan Girdler (BBA), Charisse Nilles (BAC), J.P. Merchant (SC), Kirk Nissley (NTV).

The meeting was called to order at 1:38 PM by General Chair Julie Youngquist.

A **MOTION** was made by Dave Goble and seconded by Jeff Wilkins to approve the November 1, 2009 minutes. Motion carried, with one correction -- Jr. Nationals were in "Columbus Ohio, not Indianapolis IN."

Old Business: None

New Business: None

Report of Officers:

General Chairman – Julie Youngquist – There has been a request that Michigan Swimming communicate with the Michigan High School Athletic Association regarding the closing of pools for one week in July. Most of our teams practice in their local school pools. This causes a hardship for our athletes as they prepare for the final meets of their season. We have been told that some sports such as Baseball and Softball have requested waivers and they have been granted. Julie and Kirk will draft a letter to address this issue.

Secretary – Dave Goble – No report.

Treasurer – Steve Potter – Year-end report and financials at next meeting. Meet entries are running ahead of last year.

Reports of Division Chairmen:

Administrative Vice-Chair – Michael Rogers – Athlete elections will be at 13 and Over State Meet. Will request and post nominations on website. Our website is averaging 600 to 1200 hits a day. There was general interest in where people were going on the website. Michael will try to comply with that request in the future. Kirk Nissley was recent USA Swimming volunteer of the week. Kirk was also Michigan's Phillips 66 award winner for 2009. A man who goes above and beyond the call of duty, we should all thank him for his efforts.

Michigan Swimming is looking for volunteers to run for the board of directors. You can contact the chair of the nominating committee Mike O'Connor. Our next meeting will be February 21, 2010. Our Annual House of Delegates Meeting will be April 18, 2010.

The question was asked: Are we going to change our URL? Michael has been thinking about that and he will look at possible website names. Mr. Rogers has informed us that we are now the proud owners of "**miswim.org**" the old website address will bring people to the new web address for a few months.

Athlete Division – Amelia Marsh/Clay Youngquist – Amelia has been talking with Senior swimmers and most have positive thoughts about the Senior Circuit. Clay is getting similar feedback. Senior Swimmers would like to have a Senior LC State Championship as this would make their days shorter and give them more rest. Clay was happy to see so many Michigan Officials working at Jr's in Columbus, OH.

Board of Review – Damon Robertson – 1 item pending.

Coach Division – Mike O'Connor – Per Damon Robertson, Design contest for the 2010 Zone Team, Mike will get information on the website outlining the contest and the reward. Bismarck ND, will host a meet approved by the Central Zone for Senior Swimmers. This will have qualifying times of AAA. The meet is open to teams from the Zone, there will be no financial help from the LSC. If coaches are taking teams and are open to taking swimmers from other teams they should spread the word. Jan Cartmill will have something on the website if it is forwarded to her. Mike would like to know if schools are closing pools, if that is part of budget cutbacks or for any other reason.

Coach Division – Mike Cutler – No report

Finance – Jeff Wilkins – There will be a Finance Committee meeting 1 hour before the next Board of Directors meeting to work on the budget.

Program Development – Damon Robertson – JO Meet packets are just about done.

Adapted Swimming – Gail Dummer – No report

Program Operations – David Brace + Margaret Green – Almost done with sanctioning thru District and J.O. Meets. One club was late getting meet packet to Margaret, they will pay the fine. Meet Manager workshop was held after it had been cancelled last fall. Another workshop will be planned.

Add on meets dual, tri, quad etc. should be approved by Dave and/or Margaret and then go to the Board of Directors. If Program Operations goes to the Meet Scheduling Committee it slows down the process and many of these meets are last minute adds because teams have been shutout of a scheduled meet they wanted to attend.

Report of Committees / Coordinators

Officials—Scott Appleyard – State Meet request forms are being emailed to officials.

Safety – Bailey Weathers – Reminder when swimmers or spectators are injured, at meet or practice Meet Directors and Coaches need to fill out “Report of Occurrence” form from the USA Swimming website. The form was last revised 05/2004. This form is to be sent to Risk Management Dept USA Swimming, Colorado Springs, Risk Management Services, Phoenix AZ and LSC Safety Chairman.

Open Water – Steve Potter – There are two open water events currently scheduled for summer 2010 and there could be two more. There was discussion and coaches said they will encourage their swimmers to participate.

Recognition & Michigan Swim Office –

Meet Results/Records/Top 10 – Jan Cartmill - At the SCY Jr. National Meet in Columbus Courtney Bartholomew set meet records in the 100 and 200 Backstrokes and Clay Youngquist claimed new meet records in the 200 (1:37.16) and 500 Freestyles (4:20.58). Courtney's swim in the 100 Back (55.22) also established a new NAG standard for 15 -16 women as well as new MS records for 15-16 & Open women. Her time in the 200 Back (1:54.17) set new MS records for 15-16 and Open women. Madison Wright set a National Age Group record as well as a MS state record for 11-12 Girls in the 200 Butterfly (2:00.00) at the same meet.

NTV - Kirk Nissley – There were proof-of-time problems at the recent Jr's meet. SWIMS has worked well for the last few years and this was unexpected. Coaches need to confirm entry times with what is in the SWIMS data base for their swimmers. If the athlete has a better time action should be taken to get that time into SWIMS.

Michigan Swim Office – Jan Cartmill – See attachment

MOTION: to adjourn meeting. Motion Goble, second Rogers. Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 3:42 PM.

The next MS Board Meeting is scheduled for February 21, 2010 at MSU. The meeting information will be distributed once the date, time and location is confirmed.

Respectfully submitted,

Dave Goble

Secretary, Michigan Swimming