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Minutes of the
Michigan Swimming Board of Directors Meeting
November 1, 2009
MSU Campus, 208 IM Sports West, East Lansing, MI 48824

Voting board members in attendance: Dave Goble (UN - Secretary), Amelia Marsh (S – Athlete Rep.), Mike O'Connor (PA – Sr. Coach Rep), Steve Potter (EGRA – Treasurer), Damon Robertson (S – Program Development Vice-Chair), Michael Rogers, (SST – Administrative Vice-Chair), Jeff Wilkins (DRD – Finance Vice-Chair).
Voting board members absent: David Brace (UN - Program Operations Co-Vice-chair), Scott Appleyard (GLA - Officials Chair), Michael Cutler (ROCK – Jr. Coach Rep), Margaret Green (DRD - Program Operations Co-Vice-Chair), Bailey Weathers (CW – Safety Coordinator), Clay Youngquist (LAC - Jr. Athlete Rep.), Julie Youngquist (LAC – General Chair).
Others in attendance: Geneen Bradley (TSSD), Chuck Bezzina (BAC), Jan Cartmill (MS Office), Gail Dummer (UN – Disability Chair), Kirk Nissley (NTV), Charisse Nilles (BAC).

The meeting was called to order at 1:07 PM by Administrative Vice-Chair Michael Rogers.
A **MOTION** was made and seconded to approve the August 30, 2009 minutes. Motion carried, with two corrections "change 800 to 1000 Cut" and Recognition & Michigan Swim Office "change approved to observed meets".

Old Business: 2010 LCM Meet Schedule has been out for a month. Committee worked on this at the USA Swimming convention. Eastern Michigan U e-mailed to see what dates MS might need their pool. Current feedback to schedule is mixed.

New Business:
Kirk Nissley: Had several items to address **1)** passed out the 2009-10 Observed Meet schedule **(ATTACHMENT A)** and indicated that if anyone had questions about the procedures, etc they should contact Kirk at their convenience. **2)** passed out a highlighted copy of the Bruce Stratton (Chair of the USA R&R Committee) summary of the key rule changes made at the USAS Convention in September **(ATTACHMENT B)**. Noted that many are directed to controlling LSC practices which USA has found particularly objectionable. **3)** Noted that USA Swimming is (rightfully) taking a hard stance on disciplining Coaches who have let their certifications lapse and continue coaching. That someone in every Club has to take responsibility for keeping coach certifications up to date. Also noted that Meet Hosts cannot ignore this issue at meets - that they also have responsibility in assuring that only currently certified Coaches are on deck at meets. Jan Cartmill also notes this issue/problem in her written report presented today. **4)** Presented the Summary of Bylaw Restatement **(ATTACHMENT C)** and explained what he has been doing re: the complete rewrite of the MS Bylaws (and a few corresponding rules) to bring them up to date with USA requirements. All of these will need a special HOD to get implemented and thus a **MOTION** was made **Robertson** to have a joint Special MS House of Delegates meeting at the next regularly scheduled Board meeting in January 2010. **Motion was seconded Goble and passed**. Thus, the next meeting in January will be a joint HOD and Board meeting. The Special HOD meeting will address a) the new Bylaw restatement and b) 3 new revised MS Rules concerning athlete division **(ATTACHMENT D)**, coach division **(ATTACHMENT E)** and Disability **(ATTACHMENT F)**. Kirk will work with Jan Cartmill to make sure everything is noticed properly.

Official's Service Award – Steve Potter No Report

New Disability Rules – Gail Dummer report **(See ATTACHMENT F)** was made to the board of directors and accepted. Gail will make some housekeeping changes. **Motion** Goble second Robertson to take New Disability Rules to the Special HOD and Board Meeting in January 2010. For inclusion in MS Bylaws.

Report of Officers:
General Chairman – Julie Youngquist - No report
Secretary – Dave Goble – No report.
Treasurer – Steve Potter – See reports **(ATTACHMENTS G & H)**. Financially we are in good shape. Concern from members of the BOD that income for the future may not be inline with what we have had in the past between Olympic years, we should be conservative.
Reports of Division Chairmen:

Administrative Vice-Chair – Michael Rogers – New website is working well. Question on backup to site, currently Mike's wife keeps all new data on her computer/server backs up site daily. We should budget for architectural changes for the future as we may not have the donated time we had with this major change. Next meeting: **HOD and Board** is January 10, 2010. 208 IM Sports West, East Lansing, MI.

Athlete Division – Amelia Marsh/Clay Youngquist – No Report

Board of Review – Damon Robertson – No Report

Coach Division – Mike O'Connor – There is a movement to add more closed meets, dual, tri- and quads. Some teams question the amount of lead time they need to get a sanction for these meets.

Coach Division – Mike Cutler – No report

Finance – Jeff Wilkins – See attached "2009 Budget Performance Summary" **(ATTACHMENT I)**.

Program Development – Damon Robertson – JO cuts are available, no change. Time frame for these cuts is 1/1 of the previous year that works out to a little over 14 months.

Adapted Swimming – Gail Dummer – Gail would like to plan a clinic/camp for in the fall of 2010 for disability swimmers, 10 to 15 participants cost of $500.00. Wanted direction from the BOD, asked to firm it up on paper and bring it to the BOD.

Program Operations – David Brace + Margaret Green – See **ATTACHMENT J** for report.

Report of Committees / Coordinators

Officials—Scott Appleyard – report from Steve Potter. 8 officials from Michigan were chosen to work Jr. Nationals in Indianapolis this December.

Safety – Bailey Weathers – No report.

Open Water – Steve Potter – Will attend Open Water Championships next summer in CA.

Recognition & Michigan Swim Office – Kirk Nissley – See new business

Michigan Swim Office – Jan Cartmill – See **ATTACHMENT K.**

USA Swimming website has a new feature in the "Club Portal." With a password clubs can pull up their roster of Athletes and non Athletes, for coaches it will show expiration dates of certifications.

MOTION: to adjourn meeting. Motion Goble, second O'Connor. Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 3:01 PM.

The next MS Board Meeting is tentatively scheduled for January 10, 2010 at MSU. The meeting information will be distributed once the date, time and location is confirmed.

Respectfully submitted,

Dave Goble
Secretary, Michigan Swimming