



**MICHIGAN  
SWIMMING**

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Michigan Board of Directors Meeting  
July 15, 2012  
MSU  
208 IM Sports West, East Lansing, MI 48824

VOTING BOARD MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE: Scott Appleyard (GLA – Officials Chair), David Boland (CW – Athlete Rep), Jeff Cooper (OLY – Program Development Vice-Chair), Dave Goble (UN – Secretary), Steve Potter (EGRA – Admin V.C.), Tiffany Ray (JAWS – Sr. Athlete Rep), Damon Robertson, (S – Program Operations Co-Vice-Chair Kate Rogers (PCC – Athlete Rep.), Julie Youngquist (LAC – General Chair), Erica Zuercher (USSC – Jr. Coach Rep).

VOTING BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: Michael Cutler (ROCK – Sr. Coach Rep), Adam Hopkins (MLA – Safety Coordinator), Jeff Wilkins (UN – Finance Vice-Chair),

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE: Jan Cartmill (MS Office), John Loria (MS Office), Geneen Bradley (TSSD, Diversity Coordinator), Jean Taylor (BAC), Kathy Dunnuck, (BAC), Joe Boblitz (LCSC, Coach)

Julie Youngquist called the meeting to order at 1:03 PM. Approval of minutes from last meeting on, 2012: **Motion** to accept minutes: Motion carried.

**Old Business:** Tabled item from House of Delegates meeting. Scott Appleyard regarding number of officials at meets. The following was approved

by the Board of Directors via e-mail vote. Passed 12 yes 0 nays.

**For all dual Meets (only 2 Teams) we move to using 2 officials to include 1 Meet Referee and 1 Stroke & Turn / Starter Official.**

**For Multi-Team Meets such as: Time Trials, Age-Group, Closed Invites, Tri-Team, we move to using 4 officials to include 4 Stroke & Turn / Starter Officials of which 1 must be a Meet Referee.**

**For all Normal Sanctioned Michigan Swimming Events, the minimum expectation of 6 officials or more, pending on the size of the pool and number of athletes, does not change.**

**For all Championship Meets: Districts, JO's, and State, the current rules still apply (no changes).** Effective immediately if passed by club representatives. MS Office will send to clubs.

The BOD voted on a request from PCC that the MS Office send out meet information on a closed meet they have planned. Office policy has been to only send out meet information on regular scheduled meets. The request failed on a BOD e-mail vote of 0 yes, 10 nays. Jeff Cooper the PCC meet should not have been called a closed meet. A closed meet must have a given number of teams invited. Jan Cartmill we should wait for John Loria to arrive before we get into this as he does sanctions. Agreed.

Cooper new proposal: Reimbursement of athletes that attend Olympic Trials. In the past we have waved mandate that athletes must appear in set number of meets within the LSC during the year leading up to trials. Potter our Rules and Procedures allow us to address this on a case by case basis. See Travel Fund Policies.

Back to Closed Meets. Loria: Clubs are forming leagues and doing more dual, tri and quad meets. Concern is this will take away from participation in our regular meet schedule. Cooper that is not our problem, we are charged with

giving athletes an opportunity to compete, the process is working. Could this take away from profits at some meets, yes, that is the market place at work. John is the amount of meets needing sanctioning a problem for you? If people go to the web site and use the template that is there, I don't have a problem. Many clubs use old Meet info and that is a problem. John sends a list to club of things that must be done to make the meet right. He will have with hold sanction # until club complies with his request. John has sent out the new template to all clubs hosting meets and many to not follow the procedure. Damon we are holding a workshop for clubs this fall we should make it mandatory that meet host clubs attend. Damon will put proposal together.

Workshop: Shawn K. has agreed to make a presentation to coaches about working with athletes with disabilities. Meet director workshop, if we could put something else together for coaches that would be great. We might well get some funding from USA Swim for a Swimposium. This would be the October weekend workshop that we have yearly.

Potter: we want to eliminate the word closed and replace it with invitational, in our Rules and Procedures book. Meet request should state which clubs are being invited. Closed Competition see (2012 Rulebook page 12). Damon: invites are part of the meet schedule and are approved by the board. The loop hole is closed meets that can be scheduled almost at will by clubs and will get automatic sanction.

Julie: Approved meets have become a nightmare for John. I think Approved meets and Sanctioned meets on the schedule all have to go to John he will setup a check list that clubs can follow to correct errors that they might have on results. The errors must be corrected before a meet results can be entered into swims data base. Damon: we need to track all meets approved, sanctioned and observed. Julie: Mr. Potter can we as a board approve this or

must it go out to the HOD?

Question Scott A: When do we get the athlete protect stuff regarding safety of kids at meets into the R&P so clubs know they have to have deck passes and keep unauthorized people off deck? Most of the items passed at the HOD go into effect in the fall of 2012.

**New Business:**

SCY Meet Schedule – Damon: We had good response from teams wanting to host scheduled meets. Not many conflicts, waiting to hear back from BBD if they want to do a day after meets this year. Championship meets, we have completely changed the format for Districts and JO meets. AG JO's we have many requests and 13 & Op State we have 3 bids at 2 pools, we need to sort that out.

Vote: Sr Dist March 1-2 discussion **Motion:** Cooper accept Spartan bid second Goble, motion carried.

Vote: AG JO's March 1-3 discussion **Motion:** Cooper accept MCA bid second Robertson, motion carried.

12 and Under State Damon needs more input from bidding clubs.

Vote: 13 & Op State March 15-17 discussion **Motion:** Cooper accept PCC bid second Goble, motion carried.

Erica requested that she be able to move her Jan 25-27 meet to Jan 18-20.

Ok with meet committee. Jan 11-13 meet for BAC is at Saline not Huron.

**Motion:** Robertson we approve the SC schedule as we have it now, second Cooper, motion carried.

Convention: John Loria you have at large vote and a meeting on Wednesday of convention week let me know if you are going in early Wed or late Tuesday.

Coaches Russell Mark with have a presentation at 5PM on Wednesday, you should try to make that meeting.

**Report of Officers:**

GENERAL CHAIR: 12 and Under's will not have one lane warm up and cool down lane during the meet. During the state meet minimum of 6 lanes will be open for warm up cool down during awards. **Motion:** Cooper second Goble, motion carried. Julie will wordsmith and send to Jan for dispersal to clubs.

Cooper State meet at Saginaw Valley, relays listed as 200 meters on OEM will swim as 400 meters at meet. The pool does not have blocks at the turn end. Teams will be seeded off their 200 meter times. Jan will add this to Julie's letter for the clubs regarding the state meet in Saginaw.

SECRETARY: result of 2 e-mail votes are at the beginning of these minutes.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Mary not present

**Report of Division Chairs:**

ADMINISTRATIVE VICE-CHAIR: Changes to By-laws and R&P will be completed after LC State meets. If people would like to add items to the web-site please let Steve Potter know. Scott has been told that when people click on some links on the web site they get page not found. Jan has been told the same.

ATHLETE DIVISION: David Boland & Kate Rogers Athlete news letter is completed and will be sent out Tuesday. Hope to do letter twice a year. If people want to see we will pass it around. Athlete Reps have a new e-mail address on the web site they can all get into to answer questions from athletes.

BOARD OF REVIEW: not present, one issue pending waiting on minutes from

HOD.

COACH DIVISION (Mike Cutler/Erica Zuercher): No report Looking at Swimposium on weekend of October 14. Would like you to work on something for the coaches. How many rooms do we need at Okemos HS? 4

FINANCE DIVISION (Jeff Wilkins): not present

PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT (Jeff Cooper): – no report

DISABILITY SWIMMING (John Loria) attended Gtac meet 178 athletes 5 World records 26 American records. Thank you for your help we with Ohio Swimming hosted an Ice Cream social for all athletes it was well attended. The meet was a great event. Many swimmers were looking to make cuts for Paralympics as their countries do not have trials.

PROGRAM OPERATIONS (Damon Robertson) Awards will send out request for bids. Most companies are at convention I will speak with them there. I would like a couple more coaches for Zone meet. Any word on Open water for Zone meet? There is a Zone meet conference call Wednesday night. Open water document is a wonderful, zone has 4 pages USA now has an 8 page open water document on line. It is an issue. The Pinckney Open water meet is still pending. Scott was at Open Water Championships this spring and they were running a school for doing these meets.

**Report of Committees / Coordinators:**

DIVERSITY (Geneen Bradley) Vince at BBA has opened his morning practice to kids that have never done two a days before. That seems to be running well. The program Vince had in Kalamazoo is continuing the college wants to make it work.

OFFICIALS (Scott Appleyard): No report

SAFETY (Adam Hopkins): Not present Report available.

OPEN WATER (Steve Potter): National Governing body has put out a lot of information; my hope is they will clarify it at convention. Ohio has an Open Water championship meet and invite everybody. They have more than 300 athletes show up. Would MS want to invest in the items needed to host an open water event? The meets are not that big and do not draw many athletes. Different Strokes will rent equipment for OW meets. If we take ownership of an OW meet we have to follow all of USA Swims rules. Detroit did an OW meet a few years ago and got most everything donated.

NTV – Damon Robertson: No report.

ATHLETE PROTECTION (Adam Hopkins): Not present; no report.

**Michigan Swim Office** (Jan Cartmill): We have 50 less swimmers than at this time last year. We are holding steady. Our information for LEAP has been submitted and we are waiting on USA Swimming. How do we update by-laws when we have update in progress? Jan, do you have the HS Girls times that are not in swims? Damon D2 Girls HS were entered in Swims D2 Boys HS were not entered into swims. Damon has a meet manager back up if you need it.

Julie would like the next meeting to be September 23, 2012.

**MOTION** to Adjourn Meeting: by Dave Goble and seconded by Scott Appleyard. Motion carried at 2:49 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Dave Goble, Secretary