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Minutes of the

Michigan Swimming Board of Directors Meeting

February 21, 2010

Oppenheimer & Co. Offices

6102 Abbott Rd., East Lansing, MI 48823

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

Others in attendance: Chuck Bezzina (BAC), Jan Cartmill (MS Office), Fang Liu(CW), Kirk Nissley (NTV), Erica Zuercher (USSC).

The meeting was called to order at 1:10 PM by General Chair Julie Youngquist.

A **MOTION** was made Damon Robertson and seconded Dave Goble to approve the January 10, 2010 minutes. Motion carried, with one correction Damon (S) Made report for Cutler not O'Connor.

Old Business: Nominating Committee Report, no report

New Business: Proposals for HOD Meeting

1. New page 9 of MS Rules and Procedures. Proposal follows outline in USA Article 511. Submitted by Kirk Nissley.
2. Clarification of JO Rules for Meet and Time Trials. Submitted by Kirk Nissley, Discussion concern about allowing younger child to swim in TT in open lane of regular distance event might give unfair advantage. Discuss needs of swimmers who will age up between JO's and State.
3. Proposal for deck entry and of time trials if swimmer is not in the meet. Submitted by Jan Cartmill. Discussion concerning not allowing a child to compete thru no fault of the swimmer. Might be added work for the coach.
4. Proposal was made that MI Swim adopt an official pin for the LSC. Submitted by Fang Liu. Board liked the idea, Scott Appleyard will check with Hasty and others, Jeff Wilkins will find funds to make it happen.
5. All requests for sanctions of TT, Dual, Tri and Closed Invitational Meets shall automatically be granted. Submitted by Mike O'Connor.

6. Michigan Swimming will pay cost of officials for any club that hosts a B/C Meet. Submitted by Mike O'Connor.
7. No Funding shall be provided by Michigan Swimming for participation in the Zone Meet. Submitted by Mike O'Connor.
8. No Funding shall be provided by Michigan Swimming for State Championships or any other funded meet. Submitted by Mike O'Connor. Question arose about profitability of State Championship Meets and should clubs have to provide MS with a detailed profit and loss statement after meets.
9. No time entries shall be accepted at meets that do not have qualifying standards. Submitted by Erica Zuercher.
10. Michigan Swimming to pay for officials on any regular scheduled meet, not Dual, Tri, Closed Invitational, State Championships, Districts or JO's. Raise surcharge \$3.00 to pay for this. Discussion would need 500 swimmers per meet to come close. Submitted by Greg Wolff

Report of Officers:

General Chairman – Julie Youngquist – Concern that most schools close their facilities for one week during the summer. That affects any teams that might be using those facilities example swim teams. Damon stated that schools may close any week they want during the summer it has to be the same for every sport. They recommend around the 4th of July. Baseball and softball have a waiver; Julie has a draft of a letter for MHSAA (Michigan High School Athletic Association). How the dead week affects programs as the summer season is short to start with. Discriminates against kids that swim in school programs vs. private programs. Why would we want to prevent schools from running programs in the summer during these difficult financial times? Will send to Kirk requesting that he suggest changes and embellishments.

Secretary – Dave Goble – No report.

Treasurer – Steve Potter – Jeff Wilkins gave report and also proposed budget for 2011. There was discussion and a few changes requested and accepted. Jeff requested additional \$4,013.40 for the 2010 Athlete Travel Fund. There were more swimmers and more requests for reimbursements. **MOTION** Goble, second Robertson Passed.

Reports of Division Chairmen:

Administrative Vice-Chair – Michael Rogers – Not Present

Athlete Division – Amelia Marsh/Clay Youngquist – Clay said he had swimmers complain about how fast the MI Open was swum. Prelims moved rapidly, Finals with only three heats were too fast. Bailey had spoken with Meet Ref and requested that Officials take short break between events. Scott said the rule book does not address this issue he will speak with Meet Ref's and see if they can come to some kind of solution. Fang would like guidelines for rest times between events based on length of events.

Board of Review – Damon Robertson – 1 item open

Coach Division – Mike O'Connor – No Report

Coach Division – Mike Cutler – Working on Zone needs for 2010, coaches, uniform, room reservations etc.

Finance – Jeff Wilkins – See attached “2009 Budget Performance Summary.”

Some discussion about going from “Cash Basis” to “Modified Accrual” accounting will stay with Cash Basis for now. MS had a small fine from the IRS for filing late. Problem is mailing form from one board member to another to get all the signatures on the form.

Program Development – Damon Robertson – No Report

Adapted Swimming – Gail Dummer – Recovering from surgery, Kirk indicated that Gail is looking to put together a ½ day Meet for Adapted Swimmers and ½ day camp or workshop at the UofM yet this year.

Program Operations – David Brace + Margaret Green

Margaret needed approval from board on Open water lake swim bid from East Grand Rapids. Board approved. Dave Brace will again do the bid skeleton before his departure from MS. One club ran a meet without a sanction, multiple issues came into play. Meet attendance is up 7.6% for the short coarse season. Hasty is doing awards again this year. Randy Julian the Central Zone Rep from USA Swimming would like to run a Club Leadership workshop late summer. It should work well with the HyTek training workshop that Margaret and Jan run between seasons. Date set is September 11, 2010.

Report of Committees / Coordinators

Officials—Scott Appleyard – report from Steve Potter. All MS Officials are now in the USA Swimming Officials tracking system. This year 10 MS officials work National Qualifying Meets.

Safety – Bailey Weathers – One issue may be pending.

Open Water – Steve Potter – A private company expressed interest in an open water meet. When they looked at what they needed to do to be sanctioned by MS they passed. We have 4 open water events scheduled at this time.

Recognition & Michigan Swim Office:

Michigan Swim Office – Jan Cartmill – Registrations are running ahead of last year, but subject to change daily. Meeting dates need to be scheduled for the remainder of the year.

MOTION: to adjourn meeting. Motion Robertson, second Appleyard. Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 3:51 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Dave Goble
Secretary