



Missouri Valley Board of Directors
Minutes of January 26, 2020 Meeting (video conference)

The following members were present: Judith Deedy (General Chair), Curtis Myers (Admin. Vice-Chair), Shawn Geil (Secretary), Mark Sutton (Treasurer), Natalie Cannell (Athlete Representative), Payton Gunderson (Athlete Representative), Kadence Jeffries (Athlete Representative), Natalie Neugent (Athlete Representative), Michael Meloy (Coaches Representative), Bob Shearer (Technical Planning Chair), Jae Davis (Safe Sport Chair), Ingenue Cobbinah (D,E,&I), Joe Farthing (At-Large), Marjorie Sherard (Operational Risk), Alison Pick (Coaches Representative), Katie Price (Age Group Chair), Brian Watkins (At-Large)

The following guests were present: Scott Bliss (Executive Director)

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 8:03 pm by General Chair Deedy.

II. Approval of Minutes for November 17, 2019

By motion the minutes were approved.

III. Old Business

Drury Request – deferred until the Executive Director’s report

IV. New Business

a. 2020 Zone Travel

The Age Group Committee will be recommending that the meet be an MVS team travel trip and was included in the 2020 budget. The meet will be in Jenks, Oklahoma.

b. 2021 All-Stars

MVS will be moving to a new site in Iowa for 2021. If the meet is successful, the meet will remain at the Iowa location.

c. Central Zone Select Camps

Scott Bliss discussed a desire to have MVS provide funding assistance to MVS members traveling to the Central Zone Select Camp. Following discussion, the motion was made and seconded to provide reimbursement for participant’s travel either for economy airfare or mileage up to the cost of the economy airfare at the MVS mileage rate. Motion was approved.

d. Safe Sport Recognition Program

Jae Davis discussed the idea of an incentive for clubs that complete the Safe Sport Recognition program. No decisions were reached.

V. Officer Reports

a. Written Reports

1. Safe Sport
2. Diversity, Equity and Inclusion – additional information was provided on select camps.

b. General Chair

1. Announced that MVS has received two grants. One for coach education and one for athlete leadership. The leadership grant will be used to expand the programming at the planned MVS leadership conference. The education grant will be used for a mentoring program.
2. LEAP application has been submitted
3. Governance committee has one vacancy left to be appointed.
4. The following positions will be up for election in April: General Chair, Vice-Chair, Age Group Chair, Secretary, Treasurer, Safety Coordinator, and one At-Large position (Brian Watkins current seat.) All of the incumbents, with the exception of the Age Group Chair, are eligible to serve an additional term. Please contact a member of the Governance Committee if you have nominations for any of the positions.

c. Secretary

Shawn Geil requested that all committee and task force chairs please send him current rosters and all meeting minutes since September 1, 2019 as soon as possible to him.

d. Safe Sport

Jae Davis reported USA-S still has not released the replacement to Safe Sport Monday program.

e. Technical Planning

Bob Shearer reported on concerns that were being reported regarding the cost of attending the MVS championship meets.

f. Coaches

Mike Meloy reported on how Oklahoma LSC structures the administration and funding for their championship meet.

g. Treasurer

1. The new payroll system is in use and working well
2. Mark Sutton needs the requests for Sr. travel reimbursements
3. Working on the W-2 for Scott Bliss

h. Executive Director

1. Drury registration update
 1. To change LSC requires House of Delegate approval in both LSCs.
 2. Currently athletes are being registered as unattached.
2. Women's Leadership Camp. He is looking for a coach to recommend.
3. Planning a small clubs summit for smaller clubs in Kansas.
4. Survey about the Qualifier and Classics meets was distributed and 15 responses received.
 1. Majority were in favor of not continuing the Qualifier meets
 2. Some suggested moving the Classis to the earlier weekend
5. Provided some information in response to Marjorie's questions regarding meet participation in November 2019 meeting.
 1. 25% of athlete members participate in 1 or few meets per year.

i. Athletes

Natalie reported that Safe Sport program needs something for the athletes.

VI. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned by motion at 9:42 pm

Respectfully submitted,
/s/ Shawn Geil

MVS Secretary