



Missouri Valley Board of Directors
Minutes of March 21, 2021 Meeting (video conference)

The following members were present: Judith Deedy (General Chair), Curtis Myers (Admin. Vice-Chair), George Adcock (Age Group Chair), Tom Kleiboeker (Senior Chair), Steve Winfrey (Finance Vice-Chair), Shawn Geil (Secretary), Mark Sutton (Treasurer), Anna Brauer (Athlete Representative), Michell Wagner (Coaches Representative), Marjorie Sherard (Technical Planning Chair), Jae Davis (Safe Sport Chair), Natalie Neugent (Athlete At-Large), Christian Moreland (At-Large), Brandon Shinsato (Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Coordinator)

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

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 8:07 p.m. by General Chair Deedy.

II. Approval of Minutes from January 15, 2021. - Shawn

Minutes were approved by motion as presented.

III. Old Business

a. Short Course Championships

Executive Director Bliss provided several updates on the meet. Based on entries preliminaries will be held at one location. The psych sheet will be issued on 3/21, timelines are in progress and will be released soon, and the Age Group Committee is working on the invite list for the 12 and under championship meet. An update on the status of the Shawnee Mission Aquatic Center due to a facilities issue. At the time of the meeting the pool was unavailable but expected to be available for the meet. The Platte County pool is on hold in the event it would be needed.

b. Safe Sport Code of Conduct

Safe Sport Chair Jae Davis presented the draft Athlete and Coach of Safe Sport Code of Conduct. She explained that the proposals have been reviewed by the USA Swimming (USA-S) counsel's office. These are guidelines for the clubs use and based on the USA-S By-laws, and Rules and Regulations MVS is advisory only on these topics.

IV. New Business

a. DEI Board Position

G.C. Deedy discussed a pending change at USA-S' House of Delegates to (USA-S HOD) require the DEI chair or coordinator to be a voting member of the LSC Board of Directors. This legislation will change the required LSC By-laws portions of the USA-S Rules and Regulations.

b. Short Course Championship Proposal

Age Group Chair George Adcock presented a proposal to split the SC Championships into two meets. One meet will be an Open meet that any athlete with a qualifying time may enter. The second meet would be restricted to athlete under the age of 14 with a qualifying time. There was discussion on when the meets would be scheduled, funding of the meet, and the possibility of adding an 8 and under session.

A motion to amend to clarify the dates was made, seconded, and approved.

A motion to recommend the proposal favorably to the House of Delegates (HOD), as amended was made, seconded, and approved.

c. Outreach Program Proposal

A. G. C. Adcock presented a proposal to make changes to the Outreach Program and discussion followed. Based on the discussion the topic will be added to the spring HOD meeting for discussion and input on further development of a proposal to be brought to a later HOD meeting.

d. Spring House of Delegates Meeting (added to agenda at the meeting)

E. D. Bliss requested a discussion on location for the Spring HOD meeting.

A motion to set the date of the spring HOD/annual meeting as April 25, 2021 and for the meeting to be held virtually, via Zoom, the motion was made, seconded, and approved.

V. Officer and Committee Reports

a. Senior Committee

Senior Committee Chair Tom Kleiboeker asked for questions on his written report, there were no questions. He further highlighted new committee members, spring sectional meeting, and a TYR Spring Cup in April.

b. Secretary

Secretary Shawn Geil provided an update on status of committee rosters and provided a reminder that a committee must have enough Athlete members to conduct business.

c. SafeSport Committee

Jae Davis provided a status update and a desire for the committee's Athlete members to work on the issue of bullying.

d. General Chair

G. C. Deedy provided an update on the board and leadership positions that will be up for election at the upcoming HOD meeting.

e. Executive Director

E. D. Bliss provide an update on Zone workshop and that the Meet Fee Task Force had no new information to report.

VI. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned by motion at 9:46 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Shawn Geil

MVS Secretary