



Missouri Valley Board of Directors
Minutes of September 9, 2022, Meeting (video conference)

The following members were present: Stacy Christie (General Chair), Joe Farthing (Admin. Vice-Chair), George Adcock (Age Group Chair), Tom Kleiboeker (Senior Chair), Steve Winfrey (Finance Vice-Chair), Shawn Geil (Secretary), Mark Sutton (Treasurer), Caitlyn Friebe (Sr. Athlete Representative), Kaya Alvegaard-Struble (Jr. Athlete Representative), Mitchell Wagner (Coaches Representative), Brent Graham (Coaches Representative), Jae Davis (Safe Sport Chair), Brandon Shinsato (Diversity & Inclusion Chair), Mari Griffen (Athlete At-Large), Britta Hasiuk (At-Large), Judith Deedy (Immediate Past General Chair), Curtis Myers (Officials Chair)

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

The following guests were present: None

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 8:05 p.m. by General Chair Christie.

II. Approval of Minutes from September 9, 2022. – Shawn

Motion to approve minutes passed.

III. General Chair Report – Stacy

Items reported on MVS HOD, USA-S HOD, and the Central Zone Business Meeting. A key item from the Zone meeting was the approval of changes to the Central Zone Age Group championship meet. Stacy also commended the athletes for the work and quality of the athlete event during the fall meetings.

IV. Old Business

a. SWIMS 3.0 – Scott (and Shawn)

There continue to be challenges with SWIMS 3.0 and regular revisions by USA-S. Scott reported on the purchase of “help desk” software to manage the requests MVS is receiving regarding SWIMS 3.0. Shawn reported on a number of challenges with the times module and the limits of what can currently be done.

V. New Business

a. Travel Fund change

By motion the travel fund policy was amended to include the International Team selection as a qualifying meet. A motion to amend the motion was made and passed to set an effective date of May 1, 2022. The motion as amended passed.

b. Committee Reports

1. Senior

Tom referred everyone to his written report and provided additional information on travel fund disbursements and the USA-S national meet schedule for the remainder of 2022 and 2023.

2. Officials

Information was shared on the Officials Tracking System for SWIMS 3.0.

3. Athletes

Caitlyn reported on efforts to grow the committee and improve participation.

4. Safe Sport

Jae reported on a decline in the number of Safe Sport recognized clubs as well as a few incidents in MVS recently. The committee is discussing some potential legislation for the Spring HOD meeting.

5. Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion

Brandon reported on several topics. Diversity camp is planned for April 1, 2023. The committee is now actively meeting and will be bringing forward a proposal for creation of a MVS grant program for DEI programs. Education on para-swimmer resources will be provided to clubs.

6. Finance

See written report

VI. Officer and Committee Reports

a. Executive Director

Scott reported that Spring meetings will be held March 31, 2023 – April 2, 2023 with the HOD meeting on April 2nd. Also reported were issues with the email service provider and that he was evaluating replacement options, with more details to follow.

b. Secretary

Shawn requested all committee chairs review their committee rosters and get any changes to him.

c. SWIMS/Times

Shawn reported on the 2023 USA-S Scholastic All-American list being published.

VII. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned by General Chair Christie at 9:13 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Shawn Geil

MVS Secretary