

**Midwestern Swimming
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
February 25, 2014 8:30pm**

The meeting was called to order at 8:30pm by Brian Schaezner, General Chair. The meeting was held via telephone conference call. There were no non-board members. Board members present:

Brian Schaezner, General Chair	Cindy Wigness, Delegate at Large	Ellie Walstad, Athlete Rep.
Mary Losee, Adm. Vice-Chair	Louie Balogh, Technical Chair	Tanya Hopson, Delegate at Large
Chris Pawloski, Safety Chair	Brianna McCullough, Athlete Rep	Bruce Schomberg, Coaches' Rep.
Betty Kooy, Executive Secretary	Dawn Bowen, Secretary	Dan Novinski, Delegate at Large
Steve Marchitelli, Delegate at Large	Linda Renner, Treasurer	Stephanie Martinez, Delegate at Large
Tony Storer, Delegate at Large	Lynn Weaver, Senior Vice-Chair	Karl Schaezner, Athlete Rep.
Erik Wiken, Age Group Vice-Chair	Scot Sorensen, Registration Chair	Ryan Theil, Finance Chair

Approval of November 19, 2013 BOD minutes

Brian asked if there were any questions/corrections for the November BOD meeting minutes. Lynn made a motion to accept the minutes. Dan seconded. The minutes were accepted.

New Business

Membership Registration Report

Scot highlighted the registration report sent to the Board members prior to the meeting. Brian pointed out that initially it looked like MWS was running below 2013, but the numbers have picked up in the past few months. Brian asked for a motion to accept the report. A motion was made by Lynn. Dan seconded. The motion passed.

MWS Championship Meet March 21-23, 2014

Brian updated the board regarding the upcoming championship meet. This meet is co-hosted by LSS and GOAL at the Devaney Center pool. Meet Referee: Tony Storer; Admin Referee: Betsy Purcell; Professional Announcer: George Young. T-Shirts - link sent out to all clubs for on-line pre-sale

Preliminary 2013 Full Year Financial Reports:

Statement of Activity, Balance Sheet, Comparison to Budget

Ryan highlighted the reports which were sent to the board prior to the meeting. He said the theme is that there is more income due to the increased number of athletes registered. This results in increases in splash fees at meets and the revenue retained from the athlete membership. It also seems the fines revenue has increased this year. On the expense side, there will be some 2013 expenses that don't show until 2014 so everything will not match up right now. The coaches' clinic was an unplanned expense, but ok for adding to the budget. There is \$5,100 for athlete training that needs to be planned for and used. A good thing is that athlete reimbursements are going up meaning MWS has athletes going to the higher level meets and the athletes are requesting reimbursement. The end of season awards banquet was about \$2,000 over budget but ok as MWS wanted to invest more in the this event and make it very worthwhile for the athletes. The end result of the budget is a net of \$39,000. Going forward the focus needs to be athlete diversity, athlete training, athlete reimbursement. Our goal should be to break even at the end of the year. Also may be good to find help in these areas if needed. Linda added that in the area of diversity it just seems there is not enough time committed to this position. In order to develop it, someone has to invest the time. Linda also pointed out that a bad debt has been accrued as Pure Blue has not paid the sales commission despite numerous attempts by a few people to collect. It is a commission that was to be paid from the 2013 SC Champ Meet. The company always had some reason for the late payment or said the check would be mailed. Other MWS clubs have used this vendor without any issues of receiving the commission check. Brian asked for a motion to accept the financial reports. A motion was made by Lynn. Louie seconded.

2014 MWS Planning Meeting April 11-12, 2014

Brian and Ryan gave an overview of the upcoming meeting in April. The facilitator is Arlene McDonald and the guest speaker is Harold Cliff who is President of the Omaha Sports Commission. All BOD members should plan to attend, many have not signed up yet so the email invite will be resent. Those able to attend, accept the invite on-line for the meeting information. There is no cost to attend for dinner, meeting and hotel room (double occupancy). Single room is available for a charge. Let Brian know if you will plan to stay at the hotel on Friday night. All clubs are encouraged to have one representative at this meeting also.

Adjournment

Brian informed the board that the next section of the meeting would be a closed executive session for board of director members only. No non-board members could be part of this session. He asked for a motion to adjourn the regular meeting. A motion was made Mary and seconded by Steve. The meeting was adjourned at 8:57pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Dawn Bowen
MWS Secretary