

Midwestern Swimming Board of Director Meeting Minutes  
Tuesday, May 10, 2016 / Via Conference Call  
**DRAFT – Submitted May 10, 2016**

1 DISTRIBUTION: Posted to Midwestern Swimming website, mswim.org.  
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3 CALL TO ORDER: Midwestern Chair, Dawn Bowen, called the meeting to order at 8:33 PM with the  
4 following people present via conference call: Dawn Bowen, Jeanie Neal, Dan  
5 Brailita, Jay Thiltgen, Scot Sorensen, Carol Olson, Dannie Dilsaver, Ryan Theil,  
6 Brinker Harding, Brian Schaenzer, Betsy Purcell, Stefanie Martinez, Eric Samson,  
7 Betty Kooy (non-voting) and Sean Froemming and Carol Bilunas.  
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9 Those Absent: Holly Hopson, Thomas Graul, Starre Haney, Kat Keller, Anya  
10 Lindholm, Louie Balogh, Erik Wiken  
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12 AGENDA REVIEW: The Central Zone Open Water Meet entry fee proposal was added to the agenda.  
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14 DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST  
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16 Dawn Bowen read the following statement to the Board of Directors:  
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18 “Is any member aware of any conflict of interest (that is, of a personal interest or direct or indirect  
19 pecuniary interest) in any matter being considered by this meeting which should now be reported or  
20 disclosed or addressed under the Midwestern Swimming Conflict of interest policy?”  
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22 If a Board member determines there to be a conflict of interest at any point during the course of the  
23 meeting when a specific subject is being discussed and/or action is being taken, a declaration of a  
24 conflict of interest should be made at that time.  
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26 MINUTES  
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28 **MOTION** (Olson): *To approve the minutes of the March 15, 2016 Board of Directors Meeting as*  
29 *submitted. Seconded. APPROVED*  
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31 CONSENT AGENDA  
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33 **MOTION** (Schaenzer): *To approve the entire Consent Agenda as submitted. Seconded.*  
34 **APPROVED**  
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- 36 -USA Swimming BOD Update
- 37 -Registration / Membership
- 38 -Sanction Committee Report
- 39 -Executive Secretary Report

40 \*After the meeting a corrected Registration Report was submitted. There are 2,751 total  
41 athletes. The original report showed 2,668.  
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43 NEW BUSINESS  
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45 1. YTD Balance Sheet and Profit & Loss Statement  
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49 Discussion: Ryan Theil presented the financial statements and updated the Board on the status of  
50 Midwestern Swimming's tax filing. An extension is being filed and the return will be available for  
51 review at the next BOD meeting. Scot Sorensen asked about updating the list of credit card accounts  
52 on the Balance Sheet, giving Mary Losee as an example. Ryan advised that those lines can be brought  
53 up to date. Betty asked about the -\$100.00 in line 541.4, Olympic Trials. Dawn responded that it was  
54 a miscoding – should be sectionals.

## 56 2. Long Course Championship Meet Announcer Budget Funding Discussion

58 **MOTION** (Purcell): *To approve funding an announcer for the Long Course LSC Championship*  
59 *meet, including costs for the announcer, hotel, and mileage. Seconded. APPROVED*

61 Discussion: MW budgeted for an announcer for the Short Course Championships, but overlooked the  
62 Long Course Championship Meet. Having an announcer adds value to the meet, and funds will be  
63 included in the next budget.

## 65 3. Coaches Clinic Budget

67 Discussion: The Midwestern Coaches Clinic turnout was well planned and executed, but a lower than  
68 expected turnout left the LSC with cost overruns. The possibilities of conducting a survey to learn  
69 more about the needs and wants of the Midwestern Coaching community in terms of LSC provided  
70 coaching education. Jay Thiltgen gave a vote of confidence for the clinics – both last year's and this  
71 year's - asking that we not potentially over-correct for a one year of low turnout.

## 73 4. Central Zone Open Water Meet

75 **MOTION** (Brailita): *To approve paying for the \$26 per swimmer meet entry fees for Midwestern*  
76 *Swimmers attending the June 2016 Central Zone Open Water Meet in Wisconsin. Seconded.*  
77 **APPROVED**

79 Discussion: The Board previously decided to not fund the June Central Zone Open Water Meet. Ryan  
80 Theil, Dawn Bowen, and Betty Kooy asked that we revisit this issue. The meet is a LSC entered meet,  
81 and the proposal is to pay the \$26 per swimmer entry fee for Midwestern participants to both  
82 promote and reward participation in the meet and to simplify the entry process through the  
83 Midwestern Office. Midwestern will not be sending a coach.

## 85 5. Athlete Reimbursement Policy/Form Proposed Update

87 **MOTION** (Samson): *To update/correct the published Athlete Reimbursement Policy and forms by*  
88 *adding the word "Travel" in several places to specify reimbursements as specifically for travel*  
89 *expenses. Seconded. APPROVED*

91 Discussion: The Athlete Reimbursement section and forms do not now indicate that reimbursement  
92 is for travel expenses. This proposal would make that specification clear.

## 94 6. Request Advice and Consent of BOD for Appointments

96 **MOTION** (Samson): *To approve the appointment of the following people to serve on the 2016*  
97 *Phillips Outstanding Service Award Committee: Carol Olson (GC elect), Dan Brailita (BOD), Anne*  
98 *Cvrk (HOD), Helen North (parent), Diana Meyer (official), Shelby Mullendore (athlete), Kenna*  
99 *Wilkie (athlete). Seconded. APPROVED*

101 **MOTION** (Harding): *To approve the appointment of Sean Froemming, B-T coach, as Age Group*  
102 *chair to complete the current term ending in August 2017. Seconded. **APPROVED***  
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104 **MOTION** (Purcell): *To approve the appointment of Carol Bilunas, parent, as Diversity Chair for*  
105 *Midwestern Swimming. Seconded. **APPROVED***  
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107 **MOTION TO ADJOURN** (Schaenzer) This meeting was adjourned at 9:03 PM. Seconded.  
108 **APPROVED**  
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110 ANNOUNCEMENTS/INFORMATION  
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- 112 • The next BOD meeting is Monday, July 18 at 8:30pm – date change from published schedule
  - 113 • Hall of Fame Nominations are due by July 1
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115 RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED: Jeanie Neal, Secretary  
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117 ***Midwestern Swimming strives to maximize opportunities***  
118 ***for growth and success through competitive swimming.***