

# MEETING OF THE OHSSCA BOARD OF DIRECTORS

## Making Waves/Aquatic Adventures

October 19, 2018 6:30pm

### AGENDA

- I. Call to order – 6:33pm by Tom Stacy
- II. Roll Call – Tom Stacy, Vince Colwell, Eric Peterson, Cindy Dial, Matt Davis, Jeff Wobser, Andrea Sorg, Wally Lutkus, Mark Harris, Nick Levi, Kevin Maness
- III. Approval of the minutes from Spring 2018 Board of Directors Meeting – Approved Unanimously.
- IV. Announcements
  - A. NFHS boys and girls coach of the year
    - a. Boys – Terry O'Halloran/Youngstown Boardman
    - b. Girls – Rick Morrison/North Canton Hoover
- V. Reports of Chairs
  - A. Treasurer's Report – Rich Szczepinski – emailed.
  - B. Officiating report - RJ Van Allman
    - a. If coaches have any concerns with officials please contact RJ.
    - b. Coaches need to contact RJ if officials are not in uniform. Blue Slacks, shorts or skirts. Clean white shoes. White OHSAA shirt. Too many official are getting away with wearing USA/YMCA shirts. They need to be reported.
    - c. Coaches are looking for clarification on the rule about inappropriate suits at swim meets.
  - C. Diving Report - Ryan Wilson - none
  - D. NISCA Report - Wally Lutkus - none
  - E. Awards Report –
    - a. Wirthwein Award
      - i. Nominations (We need 1 more for the ballot)
        1. John Hampu
        2. Joel Vogt
        3. Sue Lutkus
        4. Bill Fieger
        5. Joan Rehfus
    - b. Larry Lyons (Voting for 2018 and Nominations for 2019 will be taken at the district meetings on Sat.)
      - i. Mike Griggs (Northeast District), John Wourinen (Central District), Andrea Sorg (Northwest District), Rob Johnson (Southwest District)
    - c. SEI (Nominations will be taken at the district meeting on Sat.) – 1 Girls Coach and 1 Boys Coach
    - d. Voting
      - i. Winner of Wirthwein Award is John Hampu.
    - e. Awards issue
      - i. Taking off Sam Seiple and Chapman from the website for inappropriate conduct.
- VI. Old Business
  - A. Disability Swimming
    - a. Andrea spoke with Track & Field disability to get ideas on how to include disability swimming involved in our state meet. Debbie Moore responded to an inquiry by saying that the OHSAA is not looking to include disability swimming at the State level at this time. NWDAB accepted a suggestion to run a disability 50/100/200 free and 100 back at the NW District meet. The

District managers across the state discussed this proposal. Motion by Andrea Sorg: make a recommendation to the four district managers to run the disability events as proposed from Carolyn Strunk. Seconded by Cindy Dial. Discussion about having a heat with mixed disability and able bodied swimmers together, it may be better to have them separated. Friendly Amendment: In the recommendation, #5 would read “District Manager includes them into the event/s in which they are eligible to compete in a disability heat to precede the girls event.” Approved unanimously.

B. Safe Sport

- a. Follow up in regards to allowing coach massages at the state meet. There was still massaging happening on the deck at the state meet. Motion to “ban massaging athletes by anyone besides licensed massage therapists” by Matt Davis. Seconded by Vince Colwell. Discussion of how to enforce it and whether a total ban would be simpler. Amendment by Jeff Wobser to change motion to “ban massaging by anyone” second by matt davis. Discussion, New York State Education Department has a rule regarding massages only permitted by license massage therapists. There is a time and a place for massage, on deck at the meet may not be the best time and place. This can put an undue financial burden on teams that don’t have the resources to have a massage therapist. Amendment passes unanimously. Motion passes unanimously.

C. State Meet Format

- a. Possibility of looking at other formats of the state meet. Task force created to look at alternatives headed by Matt Davis along with Cindy Dial, Eric Peterson, Todd Clark.

D. Swimposium/Speedo

- a. Looking at ways to increase participation. Getting a Speaker 4 weeks out from the start of the clinic makes it very difficult to advertise. We also have a Hall of Fame year so we had more cost for dinner and we included membership in the cost so it is more expensive. The later date in October may be more difficult due to USA/YMCA meets starting and coaches being unavailable. Looking at getting a speaker very early and starting the process immediately, possibly TYR. Swimville has a representative who helped with our clinic in the past. Want to start with a date and then find out what different formats. Look at sending out a survey to the membership in January/February to get feedback on format. Discussion of rotating the clinic location. Motion: Weekend of September 27-28 and the Swimposium committee will come forward with a proposal for the Board to discuss.

E. Hall of Fame Nomination Reminder

- a. Nominations must be to the Hall of Fame Committee before the Spring Meeting so that they have time to research the nominees. If people are interested in being on the Hall of Fame Committee please reach out to Tom Stacy so he can appoint the committee. Jim Starett, Andrea Sorg, Jeff Wobser, Wally Lutkus, Brenda Wherley, Tom Stacy.

F. State Meet Warm up

- a. During half hour have sprints in 1&2, relay take offs in 3&4, general warm up in 5,6&7, pace in 8. Tom Stacy will discuss with Mike Davidson and Joan Rehfus.

VII. New Business/Resolutions

A. Daemen College Survey

- a. Want to distribute a survey to our membership on the female triad. Motion: To send out the survey to the general membership by Matt Davis. Seconded by Eric Peterson. Passed. No vote by Wally Lutkus.

B. Middle School Swimming

- a. Pete Finefrock from University School is asking for OHSAA to give exemption for Mid-States All Star Meet in January for Middle School Student-Athletes.

C. Hall of Fame Inductees

- a. Motion by Matt Davis for all those inducted to be given a Lifetime Membership. Second by Mark Harris. Discussion about whether we invite them back to the Hall of Fame induction

- ceremony. Friendly amendment to invite all Hall of Fame Members to Hall of Fame induction ceremony for only the cost of the meal. Have the Hall of Fame committee look at possibly recording the ceremony. Passed unanimously.
- D. Hall of Fame induction for Jim Brower
    - a. Proposal by Jeff Wobser to present Jim Brower his plaque at the state meet pending his approval, along with announcing all other inductees too. Second by Cindy Dial.
  - E. Relay Judging Platforms
    - a. RJ Van Allman says that this is done in other states and if this is something that the coaches want then the coaches need to come forward with it. Need to do more research in to what the specific rules are for.
  - F. 500 free time qualification at the State Meet
    - a. This would eliminate the need to swim it for 3 straight weekends. Would be difficult to have cuts for only one events, probably needs to be one or none at all. This OHSAA has not been in favor of this in the past.
- VIII. Adjournment – Motion by Jeff Wobser. Second Kevin Maness. Adjourned at 8:07pm.