Iowa Championship Meet Standing Committee Meeting Notes

Wednesday, January 17th, 2018 – 9:00 pm

Call-in Information:

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Attendance: Brian Ruffles, Travis Albang, Bobby Kelley, Jen Flatte, Jamie Langner, Tanja Sadecky, Shannon Kelley, Marie Koenigsfeld, Curt Oppel, Corbin Faidley, Don Spellman, Jen Matthews

Agenda

- I. Pools for 2019 Championship Meets
 - ISI Age Group Championships (February 21-24)
 - i. Wellmark YMCA
 - ISI Senior Championships (February 28-March 3)
 - i. Mercer Park
 - ISI Long Course Championships (July 25-28)
 - i. CRWC

With CRWC and Grinnell not available at all in the Spring of 2019 and Wellmark not being available the weekend we decided on for Senior Champs, the following two options were discussed to attempt to get both meets to Wellmark (AG Champs was deemed to large of a meet in its current format to be hosted at Mercer):

- 1. Keep AG Champs Feb 21-24 at Wellmark and move Senior Champs to March 7-10.
 - a. This would put Senior Champs the weekend immediately prior to Sectionals.
 - b. The Athlete reps in the group all agree that having Senior Champs the weekend prior to Sectionals was not favorable, and would rather have the meet at Mercer two weeks out of Sectionals than having the meet at Wellmark the weekend prior to Sectionals.
- 2. Move Senior Champs to Feb 21-24 at Wellmark and move AG Champs to March 7-10.
 - a. This would have a considerable gap between Silver Champs and AG Champs, increasing the likelihood of a swimmers with a birthday in between not having a championship meet. ISCA also wanted to have AG Champs prior to Senior Champs.
- II. Mercer Park Renovation Discussion
 - Split decision from ISCA, but things needing improvement were blocks, scoreboard, and spectator seating.
 - Plenty of discussion, but overall wanted to send to the board for final decision.
 Proposal to contribute funds to help renovate Mercer Park in exchange for rental fees for hosting ISI Senior Championship Meets will go to the board meeting on Sunday.
- III. ISI assume responsibility of hosting champs meets in shared revenue format
 - Positive feedback from officials and coach's groups

 Discussing the feasibility of this and the work required to find volunteers led to a co-host format similar to what Speedo does with Sectionals & Junior Nationals. The LSC would host the meet and handle the prep work. There would also be a host team responsible for supplying volunteers to help run the meet. Detailed proposal will be taken to the BOD but will likely need HOD approval so could go into effect 2020 at the earliest. As for 2019, the LSC has the ability to bid for meets like any other team at the bids meeting. Proposal to have the LSC host those meets will also be brought up at the BOD meeting.