



ISI HOD Minutes

Sunday, April 28, 2019 – 12:30 pm

Roll Call/Attendance

Meeting called to order by Ethan Johnson, ISI General Chair at 12:30 PM
Roll call held by secretary

Minutes from previous meeting

Motion to accept HOD minutes from the October 2018 meeting. Motion made by Jamie Langner. Seconded by Dave Happel
No changes were proposed to the minutes.
Motion approved.

Treasurer's Report

No report presented

Old Business

Tabled motion: ISI Policies and Procedures Section I. III. A. 2. – Championship Meet Host and Finances.

Brian Ruffles spoke about this proposal. He let the House know that he was the one who originally made this motion and that he no longer supports this motion. He announced he would pull the item from the House's consideration if allowed but since this is not permitted, he recommended the House not approve this legislation.

Motion to call the question was made by Doug Colin. Motion to call the question passed. Vote on the motion was held.

Motion to amend ISI Policies and Procedures Section I. III. A. 2. – Championship Meet Host and Finances ISI P&P Section I. III. A. 2. failed.

Tabled motion: ISI Policies and Procedures Section K VIII – All-Star and Zone Championships

Tanja Advant spoke about this motion. She explained that the motion originated in the Age Group Committee. She then made the motion to amend the tabled motion to the following:

Mandatory team travel is required for ISI athletes ages 11 and over who complete at Midwest All-Stars and Central Zones 14& U Championship meets. This mandatory travel will include Team Iowa gear to include ISI Swimmer's Pack, backpack, and warm-ups, hotel accommodations, meals and snacks, transportation from Iowa to the host city, transportation throughout the duration of the meet weekend, and then transportation back to Iowa at the conclusion of the meet.

Motion to amend the originally motion was seconded by Dave Happel.

Motion to amend the motion carried.

There was then discussion about the amended motion. Concerns were shared that with the passing of this motion, ISI swimmers who did not wish to participate with the LSC's team travel would not be able to swim in these meets. Also, there were concerns shared about families having to spend more money on travel if they chose to attend these meets as spectators since they would then have to pay for both their athlete's ISI team travel expenses as well as their own travel expenses. Discussion in support of the motion included the desire to make these meets more of a team event. The question called. The vote on the amended motion was then held.

Motion change ISI Policies and Procedures Section K VIII – All Star and Zone Championships as amended carried.

New Business

ISI proposed 2019-2020 Meet Schedule

The House was presented with a report from the ISI Meet Bids Committee meeting. The following updates were made to this report:

- The dates for ISI Silver Championships hosted by DMSF are February 14-16, 2020
- The 2020 ISI Short Course Championships will be co-hosted by ICE and PSC
- The Riptide meet in May will be a two-day timed-final meet on May 9-10, 2020

Motion to accept the 2019-2020 Meet Schedule as amended was made by Brian Ruffles. Seconded by Andy Pym

Motion carried

2019-2020 Budget

A budget was not presented to the House. Phil Barnes recommended that the Board meet and develop a budget before the end of the LSC's current fiscal year which is August 31, 2019. Curt Oppel advised the Board to seek legal counsel as to the impact of not



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having a budget in place by the start of the upcoming fiscal year. Ethan acknowledged these comments and committed to work with the board to have a budget in place by September 1, 2019. If needed, a special meeting of the HOD will be held.

Proposal A: Proposal A - Section K II B 4 a 1 *(Proposed by Mike Petersen)*

Michael Petersen withdrew this motion.

Proposal B: Proposal B - Section K II B 4 d 1 *(Proposed by Mike Petersen)*

Michael Petersen withdrew this motion.

Proposal C: Proposal C - Section I V A 4 *(Proposed by Mike Repko, Open Water Swim Committee)*

4. Open Water Events.

An Open Water Event is a swim meet that takes place in an outdoor body of water such as an ocean, river, or lake.

- The Meet Host submits the "Application for Sanction" to the ISI Office for the Open Water Event
- The Meet Director completes and submits the online USA Swimming Open Water Meet Application. A copy will automatically be sent to the Meet Director, LSC Sanction Chair and USA Swimming.
- The LSC and USA Swimming review the application and make suggestions as needed.
- Once changes are made and/or the application complies with requirements, it will be signed by LSC and USA Swimming.
- The Sanction Chair signs off and issues valid sanction number

After receipt of approval, the meet host shall provide the LSC Office with the sanction fee for sanction. Sanction and Splash Fees shall be the same as other ISI Sanctioned Meets. Initial Draft Deadlines shall be the same as for an Invitational.

Motion made by Mike Repko. Seconded by Phil Barnes. Discussion ended. A vote as held on the motion as presented.

Motion carried and is effective immediately.

Proposal D: Revision of Section G of ISI's Policies and Procedures

Robert Fry made the motion to approve the proposal as presented. Michael Petersen seconded.

Marie Koenigsfeld let the House know that approval of this proposal would be done by block voting. The parts of the proposal pulled for discussion were Parts: 2, 7, 8, 10 & 11. The vote to approve the parts not pulled was then held.

Motions to approve Parts 1, 3, 4, 5, 6 and 9 as presented carried.

The House then discussed the parts that were pulled.

Part 2: A motion was made amend this Part 2 by not deleting F and G as originally proposed. Motion made by Jamie Langner. Seconded by Dave Happel. Part 2 of Section G would then read:

I. General

- ~~A. DQ slips are to be filled out completely & legibly. Every attempt should be made to give a copy to the swimmer or coach.~~
- ~~B. Officials must be certified and be a current member of USA SWIMMING.~~
- ~~C. A recertification is required every two years. Following completion a new ISI official's card will be issued.~~
- ~~D. Tests are open book on-line examination administered by USA Swimming requiring citation of applicable rules with a single grading system employed.~~
- ~~E. ISI compiles and maintains a list of certified officials.~~
- F. Every effort must be made to assure that meet officiating be conducted in a low key inconspicuous, and professional manner. Dress code for a meet or individual session shall be determined by the meet referee.
- G. General dress code for officials officiating at ISI meets is white top (preferably not t-shirt), navy pants, shorts or skirt and white shoes. ISI, USA Swimming or approved meet logos may be included with the top.
- H. All meets must have a referee and a starter in order to provide for dual confirmation of false starts.
- ~~I. After the swimmer has entered the water on the backstroke and has swam out past the backstroke flags and delayed the meet; the starter may issue a formal warning after the race. If the swimmer continues to delay the meet under this circumstance, the starter/referee may disqualify the swimmer, but only after a formal warning has been issued to the swimmer and coach.~~
- J. All USA Swimming rules, written in the current USA Swimming Rules & Regulations book, must be followed.



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Motion to amend original motion carried. A vote was then held to approve Part 2 as amended.
Amended motion carried.

Part 7: A motion was made to amend this part by inserting “ISI Swimming Official certifications and re-certifications will be set at the minimum USA Swimming Rules and Regulations requirements”. Motion made by Jamie Langner. Seconded by Doug Colin.

During discussion of the amendment, it was pointed out that by adding this statement to Part 7, the House would be actually making the process of becoming a referee more difficult. Currently, ISI permits individuals to achieve partial-certifications along the way to become a USA Swimming referee. If this amendment passes, the partial steps will be eliminated.

A vote on the amendment to change Part 7 was then held.

Motion to amend original motion failed.

A vote was then held to approve Part 7 as originally presented.

Motion carried.

Part 8: A motion was made to amend Part 8 as presented to the following:

Current ISI officials may and are encouraged to advance to national certification levels. The following are the current ISI and USA Swimming national certified positions (there are up to 3 levels of National Certification for six of these positions.):

- a. Stroke & Turn Judge (N1, N2, N3)
- b. Chief Judge (N1, N2, N3)
- c. Starter (N1, N2, N3)
- d. Deck Referee (N1, N2, N3)
- e. Administrative Official (N1, N2)
- f. Administrative Referee (N1, N2, N3)
- g. Meet Referee (N1)

1. N1 Certification

- a. Administered by each LSC and required to meet minimum standards set by the USA Swimming National Officials Committee.
- b. N1 officials meet the standards required to officiate at LSC level meets.
- c. N1 certification for a position is required to gain and maintain higher levels of certification (N2 and N3).
- d. The Officials Committee shall publish standards to gain and maintain N1 certification on the ISI Officials website.
- e. The Officials Committee shall review standards for N1 certification at least every two years.

2. N2 Certification & N3 Certification

- a. Administered by the USA Swimming National Officials Committee

Motion to amend was made by Jamie Langner. Seconded by Doug Colin.

Motion to amend passed.

Motion to amend original motion carried. A vote was held to approve Part 8 as amended.

Amended motion carried.

Part 10

A friendly amendment was made and accepted by Robert Fry and Michael Petersen to add “Upon Board approval” to rf of Section G, III. 1. b. iv. so it reads

Determine certification requirements for ISI Officials, subject to USA Swimming minimum requirements, upon board approval.

An amendment was made to change Part 10 by deleting the proposed Section G 2 ending statement (*The Officials Committee shall determine the districts represented by the Eastern and Western Representatives at least every two years.*) and change Section G, III. 2. d. and Section G. III. 2. e. to the following:

- d. Eastern Representative based on the team assignments to the Winter Silver Championship meet – Appointed by the General Chair with advice and consent of the Senior Vice Chair and Officials Chair.



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e. Western Representative based on the team assignments to the Winter Silver Championship meet – Appointed by the General Chair with advice and consent of the Senior Vice Chair and Officials Chair.

Motion to amend Part 10 made by Dave Happel. Seconded by Jamie Langner.

Motion to amend original motion carried. A vote was then held to approve Part 10 as amended.

Amended motion carried.

Part 11

Discussion was held about Part 11. A vote was held to approve this part.

Motion for Part 11 to be added to ISI's Section G of its Policies and Procedures failed.

Proposal E: Adoption of Bylaws as amended.

Motion to table. Motion made by David Happel. Seconded by Brian Ruffles

Motion to table carried.

Proposal F: Section I. III. A. 2 Proposed by Ethan Johnson

Ethan Johnson withdrew this motion.

Elections

Elections were held and the following were voted into these positions:

ISI Senior Vice Chair – Michael Peterson

ISI Age Group Vice Chair – Tanja Advent

ISI Technical Planning – Eric Follmuth

ISI Secretary – Bobby Kelley

Coach Representative – Brian Ruffles

ISI Finance Chair – Phil Barnes

Nominating Committee Chair for 2020– Don Spellman

Officers and Committee Reports

Brian Ruffles spoke for the coach's representative to the Board and reported that the following coaches were named to the Zone coaching staffs:

Multicultural Zone Meet – Ramsey Vens (DMET)

Open Water Zone Meet – Joe Hroma (PSC)

Age Group Zone Meet – Jamie Langner (BLST) as Team Iowa's Head Coach and Mike Roche (PSC), Scott Pinter (BLST) and Mike Schuenke (NST)

Brian Ruffles spoke for the coach's representative to the Board and reported that the following have been named to the Iowa Swim Coaches Association board for 2019-2021:

Chairperson: Brian Ruffles (Coe College)

Vice Chair: Parker Crow (LMST)

Secretary: Jennie Hedrick-Rosenberg

At-large: Don Spellman

At-large: Doug Colin

Mike Repko spoke for the Officials's representative to the Board and reported that the number of officials is lower than last year this time.

Jennifer Matthews reported changes to USA Swimming APT certifications have been made. This certification is now good for one year and must be updated annually. She also mentioned that some LSC's now require coaches to complete the Concussion Protocol Training. Although ISI does not require this at this time, coaches who attend meets outside of ISI might need this requirement.

Adjournment



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Motion to adjourn the meeting at 3:00. Motion was seconded. Motion passed.