



IASI Board Meeting Minutes

October 22, 2023 7:00 pm via WebEx Meeting

Roll call/Attendance

Board Members:

Present: Bobby Kelley, Art Dinkin, Jackson Leonard, Melissa Woltz, Susan Repko, Emma Sougstad, Curt Oppel, Olivia Frantum, Hannah Cousins, Mehal Raghvani, Estella Koenigsfeld, Don Spellman, Emily Tuazon**, Jen Matthews**

**Non-voting Board Members

Not Present: Doug Kolsrud***,

***Waiver for absence was granted

Others Present: Marie Koenigsfeld, Ethan Johnston, Phil Barnes, Emily Downes, Olivia Elceser

Meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm. Quorum was present.

Minutes from previous meetings

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A motion was made to approve the minutes as presented. Motion made by Melissa Woltz. Seconded by Art Dinkin. **Motion carried.**

Membership Comments and Concerns

No membership comments and concerns were expressed.

Officers' Reports

General Chair - Bobby Kelley:

Curt Oppel and Bobby Kelley will be attending the Mighty Mid Workshop in November in Colorado Springs. USA Swimming is covering the lodging and meals expenses and IASI is responsible for the travel expenses for the Mighty Mid Workshop

Admin Vice Chair - Art Dinkin:

The Sanctioning Committee continues to receive and approve sanctions.

The Personnel Committee has nothing new to report.

The IT Committee is still looking for people with IT experience to serve on the Committee. No prospects have been found at this time.

With new rules passed at the national level, the meet host is now in charge of making sure that their pool is compliant in regards to length when a bulkhead is present.

Finance Vice Chair - Curt Oppel:

A full report is attached on the website.

At the end of this week, worksheets will be disseminated to division heads (Art, Jackson, and Melissa) to collect information needed to start working on the 2024-2025 budget. This needs

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to be presented to the BOD in December. These worksheets should be returned to the Finance Vice Chair before Thanksgiving.

Senior Vice Chair - Jackson Leonard:

A full report is on the website

The report includes updates and changes for the 2024 Select Camp.

Age Group Vice Chair - Melissa Woltz:

Central Zones Champs 2024 will be held at two locations: Fargo, ND on Aug 1-4, 2024, and Wellmark YMCA, Des Moines, IA on August 8-11.

Athlete Chair - Olivia Frantum:

The Athlete Committee continues to work on plans to dress up the pool areas at championship meets with banners and other objects to increase excitement about these meets.

Coaches Chair - Emma Sougstadt

Mentor awards have been awarded to Coach Jackson Allmon and Coach Ian Hoover-Grinde of LMST. These awards will allow them to travel to Aquajets Swim Team in Minnesota for mentoring opportunities.

Safe Sport Chair - Jen Matthews:

Nothing new to report.

Officials Chair - Phil Barnes:

The Official's Committee is looking for athletes to serve on their committee.

A new certification process is going to USA Swimming Board on 18th of November. We should not see much impact here in Iowa from these changes..

A number of virtual clinics have been completed in the last few weeks, and 5 new officials have been certified.

Governance Committee - Melissa Woltz

No report.

Technical Planning Committee - Ethan Johnston:

Event orders have been finalized for SC Champs and Age Group Champs. Q-times have been finalized and will be sent out as soon as possible.

A couple of proposals will be presented at the next BOD meeting regarding spectator fees and entry deadlines for Championship meets.

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Bonus events were discussed at the last TPC meeting: Time standards will be set for bonus events at the short course championship meets. These will be B times for 14&U athletes, and BB times for Senior Athletes. Bonus events will be limited to distances of 200 yards/meters or less. Swimmers with at least one Q-time at the 14&U meet may enter up to 2 bonus events for a maximum of 3 total events. Swimmers with at least one Q-time at the Senior level championship meet may enter up to 3 bonus events for a maximum of 4 total events.

Regional Events will have no qualifying standards, but swimmers must have a time to swim the event. Swimmers with an IASI qualifying time may not swim that event at the regional Meet.

Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion - Don Spellman:

No formal report.

USA Swimming has developed standards for para-swimmers. These need to be reviewed by TPC to determine if they should be adopted or adapted by IASI.

Registration - Jen Matthews:

Registration numbers have been posted. They are the same as those discussed at HOD.

IASI Office - Marie Koenigsfeld:

No formal report

Old Business

o Tabled Motion to define Operational Risk Coordinator

The Operational Risk Coordinator is responsible for coordinating safety enhancement and training opportunities as needed, and for disseminating USA Swimming safety education information to all Group Members, athletes, coaches, and officials of Iowa Swimming. The coordinator develops safety education programs and policies for Iowa Swimming and makes recommendations regarding the same, and the implementation thereof, to the Board of Directors. Once the recommendations are approved by the Board of Directors, the Operational Risk Coordinator is responsible for coordinating their implementation by the Club Members. The Operational Risk Coordinator:

- Provides education concerning the completion of Incident/Occurrence Reports to meet directors, coaches, and club officers
- Presents reports concerning swimming related injuries within Iowa Swimming at each House of Delegates and Board of Directors meeting
- Disseminates safety information flowing from USA Swimming Headquarters, explores safety education opportunities, and develops a safety education program tailored to Iowa Swimming and its members

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Motion made to table this proposal. Motion made by Art Dinkin and seconded by Susan Repko. Motion carried. **Proposal has been tabled.**

- Team Iowa Coaching contracts continue to be developed by the Age Group Committee and will be presented to the board upon completion.

New Business

- Discussion of annexing Sioux County into IASI
 - Two teams have expressed interest in changing their LSC affiliation to IASI
 - Two-thirds of teams in the county must agree to change LSC affiliation in order for the change to be made
 - This will be discussed at the May HOD Meeting.
- Athlete Travel Reimbursement - Motion made to allocate the budgeted money for Athlete Travel Reimbursement as follows:
 - \$10,000 for athletes attending Senior level meets from September-March
 - \$15,000 for athletes attending Senior level meets from April-August
 - \$5000 for age group athletes attending summer Central Zones meets
 - \$5000 for age group athletes attending Midwest All-Stars

Motion made by Jackson Leonard and seconded by Emma Sougstad.

The current application for reimbursement was presented. An amendment was requested to move the TYR Pro Series meets from a C-Level Meet to a B-Level Meet on the Athlete Travel Reimbursement Form. Motion made by Emma Sougstad and seconded by Jackson Leonard.

An amendment to the amendment was made to move the TYR Pro Series meets from a C-Level meet to an A-level meet with reimbursements at \$750/\$550. Motion was made by Melissa Woltz and seconded by Emma Sougstad. **Motion to amend carried.**

Amended motion carried.

All Stars will be included as a C-level meet with a maximum reimbursement of \$150.

Motion to allocate athlete Reimbursement funds carried.

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Adjournment

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting. Motion made by Melissa Woltz and seconded by Curt Oppel.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:11 pm.

Next scheduled BOD Meeting will be Sunday, December 3, 2023.

Scheduled 2023-2024 Board of Director Meetings

- 7:00 PM on Sunday, December 3, 2023
- 7:00 PM on Sunday, January 7, 2024
- 7:00 PM on Sunday, March 3, 2024
- 7:00 PM on Sunday, April 14, 2024