



IASI Board Meeting Minutes

December 22, 2024 7:00 pm via WebEx Meeting

Roll call/Attendance

Board Members:

Present: Phil Barnes, Jackson Leonard, Melissa Woltz, Susan Repko, Curt Oppel, Hannah Cousins, Mehal Raghvani, Estella Koenigsfeld, Mike Peterson, Sophie McCorkle**, Jennifer Matthews**

**Non-voting Board Members

Not Present: Doug Kolsrud***, Art Dinkin***, Emily Tuazon***, Jen Matthews***, Faith Frantum, Bill Brown

***Waiver for absence was granted

Others Present: Amber Watson, Bobby Kelley, Andrea Kelley, Madyson Gomez, Chris Freeman, Kirstin Oppel

Meeting was called to order at 6:00 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 and seconded by Jackson Leonard.

Motion carried.

Membership Comments and Concerns

- o Bobby Kelley presented his concerns about turnover in the LSC leadership and office. This has led to loss of knowledge and experience that he believes is causing some important tasks to fall through the cracks.

Officers' Reports

General Chair - Phil Barnes:

Changes have been made to the bylaws as requested by USA Swimming. These changes were approved by the Executive Board Members and have been approved by USA Swimming.

Hunter Smith has resigned as the DEI chair. Another individual has been approached to fill this position, and a response is being awaited.

The Governance Committee has had no action. The General Chair has appointed Bobby Kelley as the acting chair of the committee until the committee meets and votes on a new chair.

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Admin Vice Chair - Art Dinkin:

Not present.

A full report was posted on the website.

Finance Vice Chair - Curt Oppel:

A full report was posted on the website, along with financial statements for the last three months and a draft of the proposed 2025-2026 budget.

The financial position of the LSC remains strong although revenue for registration and meet income were lower than projected.

The draft 2025-2026 budget was posted to the website. Division chairs should look through the draft and recommend.

Senior Vice Chair - Jackson Leonard:

A full report was posted on the website.

Bid forms for the 2026 Sectional Meets were sent out last week to LSC Chairs and offices.

Age Group Vice Chair - Melissa Woltz:

The Midwest All Stars team has been announced. The contract with Splash Multisport was extended to this meet to provide team gear and clothing. Coaches for the meet will be Emily Tuazon, Karyl Palmer, Seth Sheperd, and Sophie McCorkle. The meet will be held at Wellmark YMCA on January 11th and 12th.

Athlete Chair - Hannah Cousins:

The Athlete Committee is excited to work with the new Communications director to create an athlete social media presence.

A reminder was given to Committee Chairs that they should reach out to any of the athlete representatives if they have space for athletes on their committees.

Banners for the championship meets have been ordered and paid for and are ready for pickup.

Coaches Chair - Sophie McCorkle:

No formal report,

Safe Sport Chair - Jen Matthews:

Not present

Officials Chair - Bill Brown:

Not present



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Governance Committee -

Bobby Kelley was appointed as the acting chair until the Governance Committee meets and appoints a chair.

Technical Planning Committee - Michael Peterson:

All of the Championship meet invites have been sanctioned and sent out to clubs.

Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion -

No report

Open Water Committee - Mehal Raghwani

Andrea Kelley reported on her meeting with the City of Des Moines about using Easter Lake as a venue for an open water meet, The rental fee is reasonable, and the venue is well set-up for hosting a meet with ample facilities. The goal is to host an LSC open water meet at Easter Lake in summer of 2026.

Registration - Jen Matthews:

A full report has been posted on the IASI website.

IASI Office - Amber Watson

The office staff is adapting and learning their new responsibilities.

Communication - Julia Mindy:

The website redesign is complete.

Old Business

- No Old Business

New Business

- Motion made to waive the sanction change fees for the IFLY hosted Armbruster meet
University of Iowa's commencement was added to the calendar on the same weekend as the Armbruster meet creating a scheduling conflict
Motion made by Jackson Leonard and seconded by Curt Oppel.
Jackson Leonard abstained from voting.

Motion carried

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- Motion made to waive the meet cancellation fee for the BLST hosted Holiday Classic Meet meet
 - A boys high school swim meet was scheduled at the pool on the same weekend creating a conflict
 - Motion made by Melissa Woltz and seconded by Curt Oppel
 - Melissa Woltz abstained from voting.
 - Motion carried**
- Ratify decision made by the Executive Committee to approve changes made to the IASI Bylaws
 - Motion made by Phil Barnes and seconded by Melissa Woltz.
 - Motion carried**
- Motion made to change spectator fees for the 2025 Age Group Champs to \$10 per day or \$30 per meet
 - Motion made by Phil Barnes and seconded by Jackson Leonard.
 - Motion carried**

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn made by Susan Repko and seconded by Melissa Woltz.
Motion carried.
Meeting was adjourned at 7:12 pm.

Scheduled 2024-2025 Board of Director Meetings

- 6:00 PM on Sunday, January 12, 2025
- 6:00 PM on Sunday, March 9, 2025
- 6:00 PM on Sunday, May 4, 2025
- 2:00 PM on Sunday, August 24, 2025