

General Chair Fall HOD Report – Sunday, October 4, 2020

Welcome

- Thank you for joining the HOD meeting today
- By volunteering your time, you are helping lead our LSC

Work done as the LSC's General Chair

Reviews for returning board members

- As General Chair, in August I announced that I intended to meet with each board member to reflect upon a self-review that I wanted each member to complete. The review was to be about the work they had completed with the positions they held.
 - What did they accomplish?
 - What did they learn?
 - What are some things that they would have done differently?
 - What are their goals for the upcoming year?
- Common themes:
 - Recruit more of IASI's membership to be a part of their committees
 - Not just to be on committee by name, but to be an active member within their committee
 - Disappointment with IASI's last summer season
 - All want to see competitive swimming return to our LSC

Also during September, Iowa Swimming Club phone surveys were completed

- Marie and I called and visited with 21 of the LSC's 29 swim clubs – coaches or club contacts
- Of those surveyed, most clubs have at least some pool time at this point
 - Roughly 50% have less pool time for practices as compared to this time last year
- Concerns and request
 - Limited meet opportunities
 - Request for IASI to be advocate to help open facilities
 - Request for help with officiating and running virtual, intrasquad or dual meets

IASI Short Course Championships

- Most recognize that these meets will not be run as normal due to the pandemic
- How and when to make the change?
 - Everyone is invited to share their ideas with the TPC
 - I have assigned the responsibility of developing ideas for how these meets should be conducted to the Officials Committee, Coach's Committee, and Athletes Committee
 - They are to share their ideas and concepts with the TPC
 - I am also asking member of IASI and those here today at this HOD meeting to please share your thoughts with a TPC member
 - TPC has been given the responsibility to develop three options for the IASI board to consider by Thanksgiving
 - By the first of December, these options will be emailed to all club contacts

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- At the December 6, 2020 IASI Board meeting, the board will review these options and decide how to run short course championships
 - Again, all board and committee meetings are open meeting
 - All are welcome to attend

IASI Committees

- The governance of IASI
 - Committees should be where this work of IASI should be completed
 - The governance of our LSC is not a responsibility of the LSC's professional staff
 - Not solely at the BOD level
 - And definitely not at the HOD level
- A spreadsheet has been developed with every one of IASI's committees, their members with email addresses, and the dates and times of each committee's quarterly meetings
 - Posted on the IASI Committee website page
 - All meetings are open meetings
 - Please join these meetings and share your input
- Development of two additional committees
 - Age Group Swimming Committee
 - Committee Chair will be the Age Group Vice Chair
 - Responsible for the develop of Iowa's Age Group programming
 - Immediate Task:
 - Find a way so that all swimmers in Iowa's LSC have the chance to compete regularly during this upcoming winter season
 - All Star competition
 - Work with other LSC's to have a meet in January
 - Senior Swimming Committee
 - Committee Chair will be the Senior Vice Chair
 - Responsible for the develop of Iowa's Senior Swimming programming
 - Immediate Task:
 - Challenge and motivate the LSC's senior swimmers to excel
 - Use the LSC's resources to help senior swimmers during the pandemic
 - Moving beyond, plan for the future so that our LSC provides a structure so that the LSC's top seniors can reach greater successes

USA Swimming's 2019 – 2020 Scholastic All Americans from Iowa's LSC

- Congratulations to the 17 swimmers from IASI that were named to USA Swimming's 2019-2020 Scholastic All American Team
- Individuals who apply with 3.5 GPA & have achieved at least one Winter Junior National time during the past year
- Iowa Swimmers recognized are:

Jordan Christensen	IFLY		John Culver	RIP
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Meghan Donald	ACAC		Trent Frandson	CIA
Grace Frericks	BLST		Ansley Galvin	ACAC
Joseph Hancock	DSMY		Mary Martin	DSMY
Mia Moulden	ACAC		Arianna Ottavianelli	DSMY
Berit Quass	DSMY		Andrew Reiter	CIA
Aurora Roghair	IFLY		Collin Schuster	DASH
Heidi Stalkfleet	IFLY		Lance Swanepoel	DSMY
Jessica Wigham	RIP			

- <https://www.usaswimming.org/news/2020/09/17/over-1-000-swimmers-named-to-2019-2020-scholastic-all-america-team>
- Zoom License
 - USA Swimming has worked with Zoom to give clubs access to using this tool
 - Enterprise level Zoom license for \$120 per year starting January 1
 - <https://www.usaswimming.org/news/2020/05/01/zoom-setup-and-security-information-for-clubs>
 - Information
Page: <https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1QrqQDkDPxWrUQMryzK0nvP4KAGNxVDVu?usp=sharing>
 - [LSC Form: LSC Enterprise Zoom License Form](#)
- Coach Insurance through USA Swimming
 - USA Swimming has worked to offer this program to coaches
 - Health, Dental, Vision & Life insurance is now available
 - Registration opens on October 5, 2020
 - <https://www.usaswimming.org/coaches/popular-resources/health-insurance-for-coaches>

Address the disappointments about the future of Swimming and Diving at the University of Iowa

- Letter from the Iowa Swimming Board to the University of Iowa
- Pledge to the membership of IASI that our LSC's board will continue to work to promote swimming in any way possible
 - Hopefully will see Hawkeye Swimming and Diving return

Conclusion

- Again, thank you for joining the HOD meeting today
 - As mentioned earlier, by volunteering your time to attend today's meeting, you are helping lead our LSC
- Don't stop here – Continue your work
 - Participate with the work that is being done LSC's Committee
 - Be active – Share your views and ideas
 - Let's bring competitive swimming back and make it better than ever for the Iowa LSC