

Michigan Interscholastic Swimming Coaches Association

Executive Meeting – Sunday, January 27, 2008

President, Mike Rado, called the Michigan Interscholastic Swimming Coaches Association Winter Executive Board meeting to order at 12:54 p.m. at Weber's Restaurant in Ann Arbor.

Executive Board Members present:

Mike Rado	Brad Jones	Damon Robertson
Scott Hedges	Dennis Hill	Cory Bergen
Jim Lawrence	Chuck Olson	Denny Hill
Dennis Neat	Brad Huttenga	Liz Hill
Rick Edwards	Butch Briggs	Shannon Dunworth
Mike O'Connor	Kyle Lott	Bob Crosby

- Board approved the minutes from the fall 2007 meeting.

Action Items Discussed:

Financial

- Our finances are in keeping with this time last year, we're in solid shape with no concerns.
- We have enough money to do 6 scholarships again this year

Website

- see addendum #1 for website report.

Middle School Meet

- meet will be next weekend at Holt HS. All is set, entry numbers are strong.
- It was stated as a reminder that this meet is not a MS State Meet, it is only a MS invitational

Diving

- the diving community is concerned that there has been an increase to 9 regional meets but no process/policy to allow more divers to make it to regionals. They are hoping to change the wording to the rule of how many divers from a league meet advance on to regionals. Currently is the number of teams competing at the league meet plus the number of finalists the league had at last years state meet. They want to change the word finalist to participant.

Awards

- Cory needs help at the State Meets to organize and pass out the All State certificates, handle the election of the COY award, and pass out applications for NISCA All American. Volunteers for the girls meets are: Hill (D1), Bergen (D2), and Briggs (D3). Volunteers for the boys meets are: Hill (D1), O'Connor (D2), and Briggs (D3)
- Outstanding Service Award – nominees are Paul Chaffe and Howard Comstock
- At March meeting need to select COY for MHSCA, need to pick a girls and boys coach
- At March meeting need to select NFSHCA COY, need to pick a girls and boys coach
- At March meeting need to select NHSCA COY, this is just one coach from our organization
- Denny Hill will be inducted into the NHSCA Hall of Fame

- The following procedure was selected to be put into place for the selection of the Matt Mann and Bruce Harlan awards:
 - o At the Fall general membership business meeting nominations are accepted, unlimited nominations may be made
 - o The exec committee will narrow the list of nominees down to three
 - o These three will be placed on the ballot for next year's Fall general membership business meeting voting
 - o Coaches on the ballot are automatically nominees to be considered by the exec committee for next year, in addition to the other nominees from the general membership
- the following procedure was selected to be put into place for the selection of the Outstanding Service Award:
 - o at the Fall general membership business meeting nominations are accepted, unlimited nominations may be made
 - o the exec committee will then select a recipient from the list of nominees
- The following will be placed on the ballot for Bruce Harlan to be voted at the fall clinic:
 - o Larry Teahan-Novl, Ron Welfare-Lansing, Bruce Binger-St Joes
- Ron Bramble will be awarded a Bruce Harlan award for a year where we have a missing recipient in the 1970's. Rick Edwards is very confident that he won this award in the 70's so instead of awarding another one, it was the exec committee's choice to award his family a plaque for a year in the 70's that will be selected by Butch Briggs. Butch will let Cory and Dave Z know of his choice so it will be posted on the website and a plaque will be made.

Clinic

- selection of the speakers are still in the works
- September 19-20, 2008. Dates for 2009 and 2010 are set under contract with McCalmly Plaza, we may back out of the contract if we want.
- Jim Lawrence and Scott Hedges plan to meet to discuss ways to cut cost of clinic operation
- Butch Briggs needs all awards luncheon photos and bios for the brochure.
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MISCA Meet

- due to the meet dates for the boys meet (the weekend before most league meets) it's believed that entries will be very low
- Shannon communicate and negotiate with EMU and other sites if necessary to secure future dates
- Brad Huttenga has asked for help running the check in table . Rado gave him the name and contact information for a guy who has volunteered to help with the meet. If Brad is unable to get a person to help he will contact Rado and he'll secure someone to be at Friday night's diving event
- 2008 Girls meet dates are Oct 10 and 11

Other Business

- welcome Kyle Lott – he's the new Zone 6 VP
- the exec committee voted to offer each state meet host site \$200 to fund a coaches' hospitality room. This cost (total of \$1200) will be shared with MISCA (\$600) and

Different Strokes (\$600). This money will be offered to the host sites, if they decline no money will be given. The host site must organize and staff the hospitality room.

- MISCA Dream Team – see addendum #2. This states the format to be used to select the Dream Team beginning fall of 2008.
- If Gina/MHSAA asks for a committee to make recommendations for next year's state meet qualifying times Rado will use the following volunteers to for the committee: Dennis Neat (D1), Rick Edwards (retired, D1), Chuck Olson (D1), Kyle Lott (D2), Brad Jones (D2), Mike Rado (D3), Butch Briggs (D3).
- Rado will be asking Gina/MHSAA for their rationale as to why they will not accept the rule change to permit exhibition swims as qualifying times.
- All exec committee job description need to be submitted by the April exec committee meeting
- It was suggested that MISCA will replace any awards given to Butch Briggs that have been lost is the recent fire that destroyed his condo. He thinks most of them are at EGR's pool, but he'll let the committee know if any have been lost

Next meeting is tentatively set for Sunday, April 13th at Weber's. Rado will try to organize golfing opportunities at Oakhurst CC in April, if he's able to the next meeting will be there.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:35pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
Scott Hedges, Secretary/Treasurer

#1

Scott Hedges - MISCA - Website Report

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Date: 1/23/2008 6:19 PM
Subject: MISCA - Website Report

Since I will not be in attendance this weekend I wanted to touch base and give you some feedback about the website:

- We've had over 26,000 visitors to the website. Most of them spending between 1-5 min on the site.
- The most visited page, besides the main page, is the top times page followed by the members page.
- The site is being visited the most on Tuesdays and Wednesdays. And the site gets more use during school hours.
- Over 500,000 visitors are using Windows, Mac users are just over 55,000
- Google and Yahoo are bringing us 90% of our guests.
- We are getting visitors from all over the world. 80% + coming from the US. But our Argentinean MISCA members are using the site as well (2 visitors this year!!)
- Many of our HS teams have our site linked on theirs. We are getting plenty of visits from people going through team sites (Zeeland, Pointe Aquatics, Holland just to name a few)

Online Registration

- Still lots to learn and improve, but working well for the most part.
- The hosting company is willing to make some more updates for us with the online registration through the spring, so if we have ideas please let me know

Zone Reports

- Still missing Zones 1, 5, and 6
- Word documents, excel, etc... are good formats. If you know how to print in .pdf format please do so.

Other points of interest

- I'm in favor of putting some more restrictions and deadlines down for registration. Trying to update the members list the week before girls MISCA was a handful
- We had some major down time earlier this month, just wanted to let you know it's nothing to do with us. The server was being updated and a few things were not "closed" properly. So we lost a few days. Everything is up and running just fine.

I'm sure I'm missing a few things, so feel free to email me and let me know if what I can do to make the site better. Enjoy the meeting.

David Zulkiewski

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MISCA DREAM TEAM PROPOSAL

#2

Procedure for "MISCA Dream Team" Selection

1. A MISCA representative (to be determined) at each state meet site will contact Shannon Dunworth the MISCA Publications and Communications chair, by 5pm the day of the Championships with the top two times/scores for each event from their respective state meet.
2. This will be done the evening of the Championship Finals (Saturday) and will be submitted to the newspapers for Sundays publication by the MISCA Publications and Communications chair.
3. Selection to the team will be based on State Meet performances only
4. The NISCA Power Point System will be used to determine the team selection in each event
5. An athlete may only be selected to the team for one individual event
6. In the event an athlete has the highest power point total in two events, the dream team selection for the second event will be the athlete in that event with the next highest power point total.
7. Relays will be chosen using the same system with the exception that the same team MAY be chosen for multiple relays and athletes chosen in an individual event MAY also be on 1 or more relays.

⊕ Coach does not have to be a MISCA member ⊕