

Midwestern Swimming House of Delegates Meeting Minutes
Saturday, May 9, 2015 / Elkhorn Middle School Commons, Elkhorn, NE

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CALL TO ORDER: Midwestern Chair, Dawn Bowen, called the meeting to order at 1:41 PM on May 9, 2015.

ROLL CALL: Taken via sign-in sheet.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

General Chair, Dawn Bowen
Admin Vice Chair, Brian Schaenzer
Senior Chair, Jay Thiltgen
Age Group Chair, Erik Wiken
Secretary, Jeanie Neal
Finance Chair, Ryan Theil
Athlete Rep Ellie Walstad
At Large, Carol Olson
At Large, Eric Samson
Exec Secretary, Betty Kooy

CLUB DELEGATES

ACE: Mike Michalski
BCST: absent
BSC: absent
B-T: Courtney Rogers
CBSC: Bruce Schomburg
FAST: David Struble
GNST: absent
GOAL: Tom Beck
HG: Brian Jensen
HLA: Erik Wiken
HUSK: absent
HYAC: Dan Brailita
ISWIM: Thor Larson
KYT: absent

LSS: Nikki Pappas
LYD: Analisa Peterson
MAC: absent
MOST: absent
NA: absent
NYA: absent
OSF: absent
OWSC: absent
SCH: absent
SCM: absent
SCSC: Lynn Weaver
SLS: absent
SO: Eric Samson
SWIA: absent

Also Present: Al Johnson, Starre Haney, Brinker Harding, Betsy Purcell, Helen North

BOD Absent: Scot Sorensen, Louie Balogh, Karlie O'Connell, Holly Hopson, Anya Lindholm, Karl Schaenzer, Tony Storer, Chris Pawloski, Steve Marchitelli, Stefanie Martinez, Dan Novinski

WELCOME

Dawn Bowen welcomed the assembled delegates and special guest, Randy Julian, USA-S Sport Development Consultant

AGENDA REVIEW

Dawn Bowen inserted a discussion item regarding the Multi-Cultural Meet during the time votes were being counted for the Board of Directors elections.

DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

Dawn Bowen read the following statement to the Delegates:

“Is any member aware of any conflict of interest (that is, of a personal interest or direct or indirect pecuniary interest) in any matter being considered by this meeting which should now be reported or disclosed or addressed under the Midwestern Swimming Conflict of interest policy?”

If a Board member determines there to be a conflict of interest at any point during the course of the meeting when a specific subject is being discussed and/or action is being taken, a declaration of a conflict of interest should be made at that time.

MINUTES

MOTION (Weaver): *To approve the minutes of the October 5, 2014 House of Delegates Meeting as submitted.*
Seconded. **APPROVED**

CONSENT AGENDA

MOTION (Weaver): *To approve all items on the published Consent Agenda.* Seconded. **APPROVED**

Consent Agenda Items: Senior Vice-Chair Report, LEAP 2 Report, Executive Secretary Report
OLD BUSINESS

No Old Business

NEW BUSINESS

1. Proposed Legislation

MOTION (Neal): *To approve amendment to MWS Bylaw 6.7.13 as proposed, submitted, and shown below. Seconded. APPROVED*

Discussion: Discussion of the proposed amendment included an explanation of the need for this amendment to keep Midwestern Swimming in compliance with USA Swimming bylaws; a description of how the paid position of Assistant Treasurer was added to allow the Treasurer position to remain unpaid and eligible to be a voting member of the Board; discussion of the value of keeping the Registration Chair as a voting member of the board; statements confirming that our current Registration Chair has agreed to do the job without receiving any compensation; and an explanation of how the job has changed due to electronic registrations and a change in policy to not mail registration cards, and acknowledgement that the issue could be revisited in the future if necessary.

Proposed MWS Amendment: Delete last line of current Bylaw 6.7.13.

MEMBERSHIP/REGISTRATION COORDINATOR: The Membership/Registration Coordinator shall be responsible for the registration of Group and Individual Members and shall make the reports required by Section 8.6, together with such additional reports as may be required by USA Swimming, the Board of Directors or the Administrative Vice-Chair. ~~There will be monetary compensation for the registration/membership function.~~ (effective 5/9/15)

Rationale: To comply with USA Swimming Bylaw 605.4.2 Notwithstanding anything in these Bylaws to the contrary, no employee of the LSC may serve as a voting member of the Board of Directors. (effective 5/9/16)

2. Financial Update – Budget vs. Actuals and Balance Sheet for January-March 2015

Ryan Theil presented the report. There were no questions.

3. Elections

The slate of candidates as prepared by the nominating committee was presented. Brian Schaenzer accepted nominations were accepted from the floor, and explained the voting process.

MOTION (Samson): *To close nominations for election to MWS Board of Directors. Seconded. APPROVED*

Each candidate was given the opportunity to introduce themselves to those present and share thoughts about their service. Brian Schaenzer thanked Carol Olson for her hard work in preparing this slate. Carol briefly described the process of soliciting nominations and thanks those on the committee and those who accepted the invitation to lead in the LSC.

Ballots had been distributed to those eligible to vote at check-in. Completed ballots were tallied by Brian and Ryan Theil. Brian announced the election results.

Nominees and results are shown below.

Office	Winner	Nominees
Technical Chair	Erik Wiken	Erik Wiken, Bruce Schomburg
Treasurer	Stefanie Martinez	Stefanie Martinez
Safety Chair	Starre Haney	Starre Haney
Registration/Membership Coordinator	Scot Sorensen	Scot Sorensen, Kim Schmidt
Delegates at Large	Brinker Harding, Daniel Brailita, Louie Balogh	Eric Rankin, Brinker Harding, Daniel Brailita, Stephen Marchitelli, Louie Balogh, Lorraine Borys, Thor Larson
Officials Chair	Betsy Purcell	Betsy Purcell
Age Group Chair		
Administrative Review Board	Jennifer Clark	Jennifer Clark -nomination from floor

3. Elections – continued

MOTION (Jensen): *To accept the results of the election of officers to the Midwestern Swimming Board of Directors. Seconded. APPROVED*

MOTION (Samson): *To destroy ballots used for election to Midwestern Swimming Board of Directors. Seconded. APPROVED*

Newly elected members will begin their terms on September 1, 2015

4. Multi-Cultural Meet (discussion held during the vote count)

Jay Thiltgen described the Multi-Cultural Meet and the application process. He invited all the clubs to submit athlete applications. The meet is open to all ages, and there are no time standards.

5. HOD Mini-School: MWS Sanctions 101

Betty Kooy presented Midwestern Swimming Sanctions 101. The presentation included the following:

- Sanction Committee Members & Duties
- Types of Meets: Sanctioned, Approved, Observed
- Meet Reports
- Host Club Responsibilities
- MW Office/Times Officer Responsibilities

ANNOUNCEMENTS/INFORMATION

- Multi-Cultural Meet athlete applications due by May 15
- MWS Hall of Fame nominees due by July 1
- The next HOD meeting is Sunday, October 11 – Omaha location TBD
- Annual Awards Banquet is Sunday, October 11 – Omaha location TBD

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION (Weaver): *Adjourn. Seconded. APPROVED* Meeting was adjourned at 2:45 PM.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED, May 9, 2015 Jeanie Neal, Secretary

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