

Michigan Interscholastic Swimming Coaches Association
Spring Executive Meeting - 14 April 2002

The Michigan Interscholastic Swimming Coaches Association Spring Executive Board meeting was called to order by President, Jim Lawrance, at 12:55 p.m. in the banquet room of the Holiday Inn South, Lansing, Michigan.

Role:

Members present: Greg Phill, Bob Crosby, Kyle Lott, Mike Venos, Jim Lawrence, Mike Torrey, Richard Edwards (1:50 p.m.), Pat Oakes, John DuBoise, Jede Johnson, Damon Robertson, Mike Bakker, and Brian Bollone.

Members absent: Matt Erickson, Darcy Schrieber, Chuck Olson, and Holly Watson.

Action Items Discussed:

1. M.H.S.A.A. Survey on Sport Season Equity:

The MHSAA will be mailing out surveys next week to all member schools regarding the gender equity law suit and the possible compliance plans. The results will be presented the 1st week of May to the MHSAA Representative Council. Once the Rep. Council finalizes a plan of action, it must be submitted to the judge/court by May 24, 2002. After a 30-day review period, the plan may be revised and a final decision is due in July for the 2003-2004 school year.

2. March Rules Committee Highlights:

The swim committee approved two requests: Score top-16 at the state tournament; and, to have two equal divisions with no regional qualifying meet(s). Both requests are now forwarded to the MHSAA Representative Council. The cost of the State tournament varies greatly among recent host sites.

3. Next Years Host Sites for State Tournaments:

The host sites for next year are as follows.

A Girls- Eastern Michigan University	November 22-23, 2002
B,C,D Girls - University of Michigan	
A Boys - Eastern Michigan University	March 7-8, 2003
B, C, D Boys - Oakland University	

4. D.E.Q. Waivers:

The Michigan Department of Environmental Quality has granted three water depth waiver at college aquatic facilities. The D.E.Q. has also issued a few additional waivers for "club" programs.

5. Forward Start for Next Season:

The forward start, as described in the N.F. rule book, will be allowed next season. The student-athlete's feet may be anywhere on the starting platform once called up by the official.

6. Fall 2002 Clinic Up-Date:

The social will still be held at Pablo's in the McCalmly Plaza. The executive lunch will be moved to Saturday afternoon once the clinic has concluded- ALL EXECUTIVE MEMBERS PLAN TO ATTEND! On Friday, lunch will be held at Barley Corn's for all clinic attends. The dates of the 2002 fall clinic are September 14 and 15. The pre-registration gift will be a golf jacket.

7. M.I.S.C.A. Meet Dates:

The 2002-2003 MISCA Meets being held at Eastern Michigan University are tentatively planned for: Girls - October 19, 2002; and the Boys is unknown at this time. Also, the start date for girls is August 12; and, the start date for the boys is November 25.

8. M.I.S.C.A. Golf Outing:

The 2002 spring golf outing is scheduled for May 17-19, 2002, at ***** golf course in *** Michigan.

9. Newsletter Information:

Bob Crosby stated the newsletter is not out because zone vice presidents and executive committee members are not submitting reports/articles in a timely manner.

10. Web Site:

The contract with the current web page master expires may 16, 2002. In a straw vote, the meeting members gave approval for Jim Lawrance and Bob Crosby to explore other web providers; and not renew the current contract.

11. President-Elect:

Milton (Butch) Briggs of East Grand Rapids H.S. is the only member who has expressed interest in running for the position of President-Elect.

12. Constitutional Changes for Fall 2002:

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13. Water Polo:

Rick Edwards shared the current concerns that water polo coaches around the state have regarding the ramifications of the current MHSAA law suit. He did note that MHSAA does not recognize water polo as a MHSAA sponsored sport so it is not being considered in the gender equity law suit.

14. New N.I.S.C.A. Changes:

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The meeting was adjourned at 3:45 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by,

Brian Bollone, Secretary/Treasurer