

M.I.S.C.A.

Michigan Interscholastic Swim Coaches Association

2015-2016 MISCA Clinic General Membership Meeting

Friday September 18, 2015

Dave Z welcomed everyone. He notified members of last year's minutes and the availability of doughnuts and coffee.

Dave called the meeting to order at 9:03. Asked members to be clear with who they are and who they are nominating.

Darrin Miller made a motion to approve last years minutes, 2nd by John Burch. Unanimously approved.

Dave addressed issues with the new website and asked for patience while it is being updated. He still has all the info, nothing will be lost in transition to new website. Showed everyone how to use the classified section of the website. Informed members they can post there own needs onto the site.

Dave worked with Gina throughout the spring to get everything organized and ready for the season.

Dave thanked Liz Hill for the goodie bags and help with the clinic organization. Dave thanked Eric Talsma for everything he does for MISCA

Dave addressed the changes to the hotel and thanked Jim Lawrence for organizing the clinic and all the work that he does behind the scenes to make it happen.

Dave thanked Alexis Kraatz for the clinic speakers. Dave and Alexis worked together to get the college coaches to the meeting and to do a Q and A at the clinic. Dave thanked Mike Torrey and Butch Briggs for the clinic program

Diving: Brad H.

Informed members of diving entry date for regionals and state.

MS MISCA Meet: Damon R

February 5/6 for Middle School MISCA meet.

Secretary/Treasurer: Eric T

Good year financially. Up \$1,000-\$1,200

Checking account: \$15,735.52

Rick Edwards Scholarship: \$23,500

SignMeUp.com Balance: \$6,294.49

Attendance at clinic was good, may be a new high water mark for clinic attendance.

Academic All State Team: John DuBois

Numbers are up again. Entries will only be online this year. Asked members to be aware of application deadline.

Individual Academic All State: Darrin Miller

275 students honored. 78% of entries were on time. Thanked members for promoting.

Awards Chairman: Cory Bergen

Nothing new on awards front. Talked about all the awards that are given. COY ballets are handed out on day 1 of state meet in order to get more involvement. Talked about how diving coach of the year award is awarded. Taking nominations for Mann, Harlan and Service awards at general membership meeting. Asked members to be thinking of new nominees for these awards.

MISCA Meet: Greg Phill

Dates are out. Different Strokes is still running the meet. Dave will have the meet file up soon. Dave addressed relay names at the meet and the concern that has been brought up. All coaches at the meet must be a MISCA member. Asked for help keeping photographers off the deck.

Rick Edwards Scholarship: John Burch

8 given out each year. Based on community involvement and academics. 28-36 applicants each year. Encourage more participation.

Special Note: In the Executive Board Meeting it was unanimously approved to add a 9th and 10th scholarship starting in 2016.

Dream Team: Dan Heikka: Not present

Top Times: Don Kimble: Not present.

File is up on the website. Dave made short video to help those having trouble. Dave informed coaches that Peter Linn and other college coach's use the top times list to help with recruiting.

Golf outing: Rob D

Will be at A-Ga-Ming again. Price difference is that the price now includes Thursday night. Sunday morning will be a Ryder Cup format. Will be giving away 3 outings today.

Zone VP's

Zone 1: John Pearson: Not present. Dave addressed the loss of Mike O'Conner. Dave thanked Bob Crosby for his time as a Zone VP.

Zone 2: Mike Harfoot: Thanked Bob for helping get him started in coaching. Looking for feedback as he gets started.

Zone 3: Greg Phil: Putting together zone email list for reminders.

Zone 4: Michael McHugh: Asked for emails.

Zone 5: Steve Bowyer: OK Conf. will be realigning after this year. Byron Center Co-Op is in its final year. Caledonia is looking to start a team for next year.

Zone 6: Corrin Buck: Asked for emails.

Zone 7: Gregg Brace: 2 new coaches in his area.

Zone 8: Brad Jones: Stable. Brandon HS coach stepped down, diving coach has stepped in

Each coach will be getting a pull bouy from PacePal for attending the clinic today.

Eve Jullian: NISCA board: Ex. Board at ASCA. Meet with OHSCA, trying to revamp their organization to look more like MISCA.

Membership year is open, please join.

There are two job openings within NISCA. Richard Wachs, Girls All American chair passed away from cancer, Annette Theis stepped in to take the position. Mike Slagle, Rules chair passed as well. Diane Hicks-Hughes took over.

Looking for PowerPoint coordinator to take over for Paul Torno.

Journal editor is stepping down in December, looking for a replacement. Making it more blog like feel and Eve is open to stepping down as web master if interested. Website is down. Hoping to have it back up soon.

Ex Board put into place an outreach coordinator who is looking for speakers. Speaking opportunities at the NISCA clinic and ASCA.

NISCA is in Atlanta this. NCAA meet format is changing. Moved 800 Free Relay to Wed.

New PP were introduced last year.

Gina M. MHSAA: NFHS developed diving and swim official manual, on their website. Asked Z to link from MISCA. Trying to get more people involved in officiating. Thanked MISCA leadership for what they've done and their great leadership. Jewelry rule was eliminated. Missing an event no longer DQ's an athlete from entire meet. 2 non-school meets allowed during season, it is up to each school. Training with club team during season is a school issue, not MHSAA. Consistencies at all 3 state meets. Requirements of coaches: Head Coach must complete rules meeting and be CPR certified. All assistants that want to be involved at final's meet must complete rules meeting/safety course. Next year, any 1st time Head Coach hired will have to take Cap 1 or Cap 2. If a coach is a Head Coach at one school and then is hired by another school s/he does not have to take the course. Have your AD email Gina if you have interest in being on the swim committee. HS meets being observed by USA officials: MHSAA allows it. There were a lot of complaints last year about USA officials. Parents thought they were MSHAA officials. Don Kimble is now a USA official and we will have one on deck at the MISCA meet.

Bylaws: Z addressed outdated bylaws and asked for help from membership to review them and help with updating.

Hy-Tek standards file is on the website! Includes MHSAA cuts/MISCA cuts.

MISCA meet: Shawn Letwin expressed interest in making entries online. Hassle of paying for the meet.

Issues about Michigan swimming officials. Discussed earlier.

Gina covered recruiting new officials.

Exhibition heats: Take care of them. Compensate your official if you are running a lot of ex heats.

Social Media: Darrin Miller got the MISCA twitter account up and running. Post outstanding accomplishments to @MISCAswim. If you have information about the health/well being of our members, please let us know. We will send out to membership if desired.

Matt Mann nominations: Bob Crosby, nominated Mike Venos of BR and ND Prep.
Bruce Harlan nomination: Darrin Millar nominated Bob Schurig of Troy.

Nominees for NISCA State Delegate. Talsma would like to remain on. No nominations. Unanimously approved.

Nominees for Secretary/Treasurer: Eric Talsma is willing to continue. No nominations. Unanimously approved.

Meeting adjourned at 10:04am.

Respectfully Submitted,
Eric Talsma, MISCA Secretary/Treasurer