Michigan Interscholastic Swimming Coaches Association

Clinic Executive Meeting - 18 September 2004

The Michigan Interscholastic Swimming Coaches Association Fall Executive Board meeting was called to order by President, Butch Briggs, at 12:43 p.m. in room 303 of the McCalmly Plaza Hotel, Battle Creek, Michigan.

Action Items Discussed:

1. Newsletter:

Butch Briggs would like zone vice-presidents to limit the amount of duplication presented in clinic reports and the newsletter which is posted on the web site. Butch noted that zone reports are coming in on a more timely manner, and are very informative.

2. Web:

Bob Crosby stated that the web site is working out well, and he has only heard positive comments from members. Bob noted, documents for web posting should be in Microsoft Excel, even zone reports.

Butch Briggs nomination of Past President, Bob Crosby, as the MISCA Webmaster, seconded by Mike Torrey.

Discussion: None

All in favor of Bob Crosby as MISCA Webmaster: All

All opposed: None Abstention: None

3. Financial/membership:

Brian Bollone stated that he will be resigning from his duties of secretary/treasurer in the spring of 2005, prior to the fall clinic/elections.

Brian and a temporary replacement will mail out a postcard in the spring reminding current members and schools to download a copy of the 2005 clinic registration/membership form.

Bob Crosby and Butch Briggs will seek MHSAA approval to use the MHSAA logo/endorsement on clinic materials. In addition, Bob and Butch will explore the possibility of the MHSAA including information about MISCA and the 2005 clinic in a MHSAA e-mail.

4. Middle School Meet:

John DuBois stated that the middle school meet will take place at Plainwell H.S. on February 4 (diving) and 5 (swimming). Meet registration and information is posted on the MISCA web site.

5. All-State Academic:

John DuBois stated that the academic all-state forms are posted on the MISCA web site. In addition, a form will be included in the packet of all-state certificates which a member school earns.

6. Awards:

Dave Zulkiewski recently ordered more all-state certificates- 750 of them.

Dave Zulkiewski will pass out the all-state certificates at the girls and boys division two state finals. Lisa Manwell will pass out the all-state certificates at the girls division one state meet. Dave is not sure yet who will be distributing the all-state certificates at the boys division one state meet.

Dave will continue to work with state meet site management to have announcements for the MISCA coach of the year and swimmer of the year balloting. In addition, both Dave and Lisa will

continue to pass out ballots for voting at the state meet. Ballots will also include eligibility requirements.

7. Diving:

Aaron Pollock will resubmit the regional diving qualification standard(s) which were approved by the MHSAA swim committee, but not by the MHSAA representative council. In addition, he will include a "clearer" definition of the five point qualification process for diving.

Aaron did note there were some concerns of diving warm-up procedures at one or more of the diving regional sites last year- one hour prior to meet warm-up the boards are closed, even to the host school.

Aaron noted that the qualification process for the MISCA meet has been changed to conform to the new MISCA meet number of entries. All changes can be viewed on the meet registration form.

8. Outstanding Service Award:

The Outstanding Service Award will be selected in the January Executive Board meeting. Nominating individuals must provide a biography of the individual up for nomination.

9. MISCA Meet:

Chuck Olson noted that all changes in meet information were to conform with the larger format now being used. Chuck will also include a \$5.00 surcharge for memberships being paid on site.

10. N.I.S.C.A.:

Rick Edwards will encourage membership to join N.I.S.C.A.; and, to promote MISCA members to attend the national N.I.S.C.A. convention this spring.

11. Zone Reports:

Bob Crosby would like all zone reports forwarded to him in Microsoft Excel. In addition, Bob encouraged all zone vice-presidents to continue to use the template for zone reports provided by Butch Briggs.

12. Clinic:

Greg Phill noted that Speedo will provide us with what ever speaker(s) they can. Speedo guarantees two speakers each year. As it stands, the 2005 clinic on September 16-17, conflicts with other clinics (national) taking place. So Greg is note sure how this will impact our ability to acquire the speakers we want. As soon as Greg knows who will be presenting, he will be in communication with them, and line-up the proper equipment needs for the clinic. In addition, Speedo is looking to reduce the amount of monetary value of the gift given to clinic attendees.

Greg noted the clinic will be held at the McCamly Plaza Hotel for two more years. The dates for the 2005 and 2006 clinics are:

2005 Clinic is September 16-17. 2006 Clinic is September 15-16.

13. Awards Nominations:

Butch Briggs noted that the nominations for the National Federation Coaches of the year were already submitted- both men's and women's.

Butch asked all present to consider individuals worthy of nomination for the Nation High School Caches Association Coach of the Year award. Butch will seek nominations at the January Executive Board meeting.

14. New Business:

<u>Diving Clinic Fee</u>- Brian Bollone noted that many of the diving coaches in attendance at the clinic would like to have a separate fee for the diving track.

Discussion: It was the boards opinion that diving coaches can benefit from any of the speakers present at the clinic, not just diving presentations. In addition, diving coaches are welcome to all clinic events. There was no further action taken.

<u>MISCA Sticker</u>- The executive board discussed designing and distributing a MISCA sticker to all members next year. The sticker could be placed at each members aquatic facility as a way of indicating his/her membership and commitment to professional coaching.

Discussion: All board members like the idea and will explore this possibility.

<u>Travel Voucher</u>- The executive board decided to eliminate the travel voucher as prize at the clinic.

Discussion: The voucher was originally used to entice coaches to stay the second day at the clinic. However, it is the boards opinion that the voucher-prize does not have an impact of the number of coaches staying.

<u>Meals at Clinic</u>- Jim Lawrence will work with the McCamly Plaza Hotel to negotiate better pricing on the meals provided at the clinic.

Jim suggested that we no longer host a (banquette) dinner- have the awards banquette at lunch when all clinic participants are present.

<u>Secretary/Treasurer Resigning</u>- Brian Bollone will be resigning in the spring of 2005, prior to the clinic. Brian stated it is best that a replacement be made prior to the 2005 clinic so registration materials and fees are centralized with one person.

Executive Meeting Date- The executive board's calendar was set at:

January executive meeting is January 16, at 12:45 p.m. at the McCamly Plaza Hotel. Spring executive meeting is April 17, 2005, at 12:45 p.m. at the McCamly Plaza Hotel.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:31 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by,

Brian Bollone, Secretary/Treasurer