

**Michigan Interscholastic Swim Coaches Associations  
Executive Board Meeting – April 21, 2024 @MHSAA**

**Agenda**

10:00 AM

Executive Board Meeting

**Approval of Minutes from the January 28, 2024 VIRTUAL Executive Board Meeting**

1st - Damon Robertson, 2nd - Ian Kobes

**Committee Chairman Reports**

**Treasurer**

**Steve Bowyer**

Two CD's, just transferred both to a higher interest rate. Financials are sound as we move into the spring.

**MISCA Clinic**

**Greg Phill**

Clinic is on! Should be able to publish and share information soon.

**MISCA Speakers**

**Michael McHugh**

Keynote speaker, Jess Book from Kenyon. Many other speakers lined up. We will have onsite coaching instruction at Livonia Stevenson.

**MISCA Meet**

**Ian Kobes**

Still in conversations but looking at the following for the next two years.

Fall 2024 - Oakland, Winter 2025 - Holland Aquatic Center, Fall 2025 - Holland Aquatic Center, Winter 2026 - Oakland.

Adjust the meet packet to add a larger late fee.

Will look to revisit cuts when we have dates and locations locked in.

**NISCA**

**Ian Kobes**

Greg and Dave did an amazing job with their speeches and their presentations.

2025 NISCA Clinic in June in San Antonio. Looking at TISCA as a co-host.

2026 Looking at going back to possibly NCAA meet in Atlanta or possibly coming to Michigan.

Asking Zone Directors to have more contact and send out more info and reminders to their zones. They should use the full list from the prior year and include the letterhead on it.

Possibly a NISCA zoom on various topics (How to deal with parents / tech / season planning).

NISCA would like to have a Zoom meeting with all association Presidents. What are you doing? What works? Just sharing knowledge.

NISCA Membership 1,189 paid / 1,216 lifetime

\$149,000 in CD / \$184,000 in checking / \$332,645 in total funds.

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John Pearson will receive the Outstanding Service Award in 2025.

Eve Julian will receive the Collegiate Scholastic Award in 2025.

All American: Boy numbers are up to pre Covid levels. Girl numbers are still low.

Talk of possible certificates for All American Honorable Mention. Very spirited conversation.

Talk of giving a provisional membership. If a nonmember pays for multiple AA awards, and they are over the membership fee, they would be given a provisional membership. Their EMail would be added, and they would receive E Mail and the Journal. This is done in hopes that they would register next year. This was tabled.

Sandy (NFHS). Backstroke ledge study results will be available by March 2025.

**Awards**

**Cory Bergen**

This is awards ordering season. Continue to work with Maxwell to get awards ordered and shipped.

**Webmaster**

**Dave Zulkiewski**

Can't link team unify to social media posts.

Looking to give more board access to team unify to communicate with membership.

**Diving**

**John Pearson**

MISCA Meet:

Boys 2024 MISCA Meet: 52 entries, 231 cut off – no changes.

Girls 2023 MISCA Meet: 52 entries, 205 cut off – no changes.

MISCA Awards:

The MISCA Diving event is different from the MISCA Swimming event.

The goal for MISCA swimming entries is mid-season opportunity for fast swims and State cuts.

The goal for MISCA diving is an opportunity for the best 32 divers from ALL divisions to compete head-to-head.

The MISCA diving coaches have asked for awards for the top 6 divers in the MISCA diving event.

George Wilson has offered to provide awards (donated) for the top 8.

MHSAA State Meet update:

2024 Boys – 221 entries

2023 Girls – 250 entries

Preliminary #'s for Regionals:

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Boys – D1 12, 11, 13; D2 10, 13, 13; D3 10, 12, 14

Girls – D1 12, 12, 12; D2 13, 11, 12; D3 10, 12, 14 (D3 was young this year)

Judging analysis: Coaches need the JA to use as an educational tool. The JA also keeps judges honest. When you know everyone can see the analysis, you will work harder to address inherent bias. We, as a board, need to encourage the MHSAA to continue to post the JA's from their meets. It shows the community that the MHSAA is committed to fairness, transparency and education.

Opportunities for divers:

Synchro event after the 200 Free Relay. Increase opportunity for new athletes.

**Middle School**

**Andy Fredenburg**

Total school 2023 - 51, 2024 - 56

Total Girls 2023 - 175, 2024 - 216

Total Boys 2023 - 174, 2024 - 196

Will adjust cuts for 2025

**Academic All-State Team**

**Kyle Stumpf**

Up 38 teams from last year. 5 teams from the UP.

**Academic All-State Individual**

**Darrin Millar**

100 Schools (best)

503 Athletes (best)

D1- 206

D2-138

D3-138

UP-21 (best)

14 late / 489 on time

62 Mail or other / 441 online.

We will have enough certificates for this year. We will need to order more for 24-25

**Edwards Scholarship**

**John Burch**

25 applications this spring. Looking to possibly move the application to an online format.

**MHSCA Rep**

**Darrin Millar**

Hall of Fame – September 15<sup>th</sup> at CMU

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Three Swimming / Diving coaches are going in: David Zulkiewski (Bloomfield Hills), Mike Venos (Mercy / Brother Rice), and Charlie Bates (Brighton).

Dues increase coming in the 2025-2026 school year. (Now \$6 ins and \$5 dues) (NEW \$6 ins and \$9 dues). The costs for everything are going up. The HOF and COY banquets are operating at a large loss.

The COY banquet in November will now be in Midland.

Executive Director, Jim Okler from Grosse Ile, announced his retirement. He will continue to work until March of 2025.

### **Dream Team**

**Michael McHugh**

Posted on swimming world and swimswam. Selection process is going well.

### **Top Times List**

**Dave Zulkiewski / Swim Cloud**

Working on cleaning up duplicate athletes, meets, and grades.

### **MISCA Golf Outing**

**Rob Damuth**

2 Year contract at Ag-a-ming (through 2025), \$385

### **Zone Vice President Reports – Posted on the webpage.**

Zone 1 Austin Bateman (Utica Ford)

Working to help new coaches.

Zone 2 Mike Harfoot (North Farmington)

Zone 3 Ed Weber (Canton)

Some confusion with the coaches membership list.

Zone 4 Mojo Murrett (Ann Arbor Skyline)

Appreciate the zone email lists in team unify.

Zone 5 Ian Kobes (Hudsonville)

Working to find a new zone rep.

Zone 6 Daryl Belton (Otsego)

Zone 7 Gregg Brace (DeWitt)

Conference realignment concern.

Zone 8 Brad Jones (Fenton)

Zone 9 Erik Johnson (Houghton)

Increase in the number of state meet qualifiers. Diving numbers are down.

### **Old Business**

- Coach Mentor Program
  - Grew again this year.
- Registration Classifications
  - Create a retired classification to keep long time members informed.
- All hands-on deck for MISCA Meet
  - Google doc for MISCA meet jobs.
- Possible host locations for MISCA Meet / State Meet
  - See above, MHSAA will post state meet sites soon.
- Social Media - Twitter, FB, and Instagram

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- o Look to keep being active on these platforms
- John - MISCA Diving Dream Team
  - o Work on putting together a criteria for dream team diving, diving scores across all 3 divisions is not as fair as time.
- Erik - Looking for changes in UP Finals
- Andy – Middle School Recognition Award – Make a list?
  - o Looking at creating a middle school coach of the year award.
- Steve - NISCA Registration Process
  - o Streamline process to register to NISCA, directly through NISCA.
- Arena – 11 AM phone call with Sue J
  - o Discussion of our relationship with arena and vendors.

### New Business

- Next Meeting – MISCA Clinic September 13<sup>th</sup>
- From Andi – Last Chance Meets
  - o Looking to clean up second shave meets. Must be a legal meet.
- From Andi - SwimCloud
- Darrin - THANK YOU Zone VPs for quick zone reports during the winter season
- Darrin – Changes to MHSCA
  - o Dues increasing
- Darrin – 3 Members going to MHSCA HOF on September 15 – Mike Venos, Dave Z, and Charlie Bates
- Darrin – MHSCA dues increase coming in the 2025-2026 school year. (Now \$6 ins and \$5 dues) (NEW \$6 ins and \$9 dues)
- Darrin – Scholarship for MISCA Coach son/daughter?
  - o Look to implement it in 2025, and will have guidelines in the fall. All in favor.
- TISCA
- Items from the Floor
- Outstanding Service Awards – Making a list?

### Outstanding Service Nominations:

Damon Robertson - all in favor

NHSACA - Greg Phil

NHSACA Assistant - Dave Brinks

NFHS Boys - Stefanie Kerska

NFHS Girls - Rob Damuth

MHSCA Boys - Drew Hansz

MHSCA Girls - Doug Thorne

Adjourn - 1:42pm