

2012 M.I.S.C.A. General Membership Meeting Minutes

Friday, September 21st, 2012

Meeting called to order by president Denny Hill at 9:07AM on 9/21/12

Denny Hill completes his 2 year term as president. Denny thanked the coaches and organization for all the help and support.

Liz Hill accepted her term as president

Acceptance of the 2011 General Membership Meeting Minutes

Gina Mazzolini (MHSAA) was introduced to the general membership

- Gina addressed a concern brought to MHSAA from some officials about the number of exhibition heats being run at dual meets. Gina asked for better communication with the officials
- MHSAA is looking for a regional diving host for the Grand Rapids area
- MHSAA is also looking for recommendations/suggestions for officials to work state finals

Members were asked to introduce themselves to the neighbors and share their school and coaching experience. Members were given a 3x5 card to fill out (name, school, 2 truths and a lie). These cards will be used to hand out door prizes.

Introduction & Reports from the Executive Board

- **Clinic Chair – Jim Lawrence:**
 - Jim gave updates on lunch and the awards banquet
- **MISCA Clinic Program – Butch Briggs**
- **Awards Chair – Cory Bergen:**
 - Cory updated the membership that all coaches (non-members included) will be allowed to vote for coach of the year at state meet
 - Cory talked about 15 and 25 year service awards
- **Website – Dave Zulkiewski:**
 - State Meet results continue to be added to the site
 - Online registration has been expanded and will continue to incorporate NISCA and other organizations
- **Diving – Brad Huttenga**
 - Brad spoke about the diving clinic speaker
 - Possible updates and expansion for diving at the MISCA meet

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- **Middle School – Damon Robertson:**

- Meet will be February 1 and 2 and Holt
- New regulations and criteria for the MS Meet.
- Corrin Popp and Damon have worked to establish new rules and regulations
 - Website will add a frequent Q & A, MHSAA regulations, etc....
 - No co-ops currently outlined through MHSAA. MS must apply just like a HS program would
 - An athlete must be taking 50% of their classes at the school they represent at the meet (MHSAA)
 - All athletes must have a physical on file with the schools athletic department
 - Principals must sign off on eligibility.
 - Make sure team name is up to date
 - Should there be a uniform season for MS swimming and diving? Discussion was exchanged amongst members.
 - Gina Mazzolini addressed co-ops and unified teams.

- **Academic All State Team – John Dubois:**

- 2nd most applications
- Working to allow online application process

- **Academic All State Individual – Darrin Millar:**

- Handouts given for the 2011-12 data
- 5th year of award with continued growth
- 2011 was the first year with UP athletes

- **Rick Edwards Scholarship – John Burch:**

- John pushed for more involvement from coaches
- Deadline is in March, John encouraged girls coaches to spread the word now
- MISCA received thank you letters from many of last years winners.

- **Dream Team – Dan Heikka:**

- No report, Dan was unable to attend

- **Top Times – Eric Gunderson:**

- First list came out in early September and a weekly update will begin after the clinic
- Eric spoke about ways to set up your teams
- Instructions and videos for submitting times are posted on the website.
- Don Kimble addressed getting coaches more involved:
 - Survey coaches on why involvement is lacking
 - Is there a way to send out times to only coaches participating in the list
 - Post a top 10 on the site and send the full list to coaches submitting times
 - Liz encouraged Zone VP's to reach out to their coaches
 - Gregg Brace created a website (swimbuz.com) to compile times from his zone.

- **MISCA Golf Outing – Rob Damuth:**

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- Dates and times will be posted on the website for 2013
- This will be our last year at Shanty Creek
- **Secretary, NISCA, & Treasure Report – Eric Talsma:**
 - \$18,819.90 in account, up \$1000 from 2011
 - Additional expenditures over the last few years: 2 more scholarships (8 total), mailing/postage costs for awards.
 - MISCA made a donation to the Amy Ventique fund. Tony is a diving coach in Zone 1 and lost his wife in September
 - MISCA is encouraging more involvement in the clinic and opened the clinic up to non-members.
 - Mistake was made and non-members were charged less this year. All 2012 members that attended the clinic will receive a reduced clinic fee in 2013
 - **NISCA Report:**
 - Report is posted on the website
 - Michigan has the 2nd highest state involvement in NISCA
 - NISCA wants more coaches taking part in end of season awards
 - Eve Julian was re-elected as NISCA secretary.
 - 2013 site for NCAA and NISCA clinic will be IUPUI
- **NISCA – Eve Julian:**
 - Eve discussed the partnership with NISCA and MISCA membership
 - Membership will be updated every few weeks, starting September 24th
 - NISCA executive board met at the ASCA convention to discuss:
 - NISCA fellows project
 - Weekend workshops
 - NISCA journal updates
 - Check out NISCA on Twitter, Facebook, and the Internet
 - Online applications are going online and will be updated throughout the year.
 - NISCA is always looking for volunteers and help
- **MHSAA Swim Committee Report – Denny Hill:**
 - Meeting Minutes are on the MHSAA website and are linked through MISCA
 - Exhibition events – suggested that officials are compensated for extra heats/divers
 - State Meet Results: Denny asked for patience and understanding when working with state meet hosts and meet managers. Host sites are working hard to provide a great environment and we need to acknowledge that.
 - Coaches are asked to update their Team Manager software to reflect the LSC field. It should be D1, D2, D3 (state meet). Short name should be your school name and NOT mascot. Coach's info should also be updated.
 - State Meet locations are posted on MHSAA as well
 - Gina Mazzolini updated the general membership on a report from the National Federation about athletes "deck changing." Gina asked coaches to work with their team on the issue

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- **Zone VP's:**
 - **Zone 1 – Mike O'Connor (GP North)**
 - **Zone 2 – Bob Crosby (West Bloomfield)**
 - **Zone 3 – Greg Phill (Livonia Stevenson)**
 - All zone 3 coaches need to update emails with Greg and MISCA
 - **Zone 4 – Michael McHugh (Dexter)**
 - **Zone 5 – Steven Bowyer (Holland West Ottawa)**
 - Steve is asking for more zone 5 involvement in voting for coach of the year. Steve emails a ballot for zone 5 coach of the year.
 - Coastal Swim Conference needs to be added to Zone 5
 - **Zone 6 – Corrin Popp (Harper Creek)**
 - Update contact info and participate in COY voting
 - **Zone 7 – Gregg Brace (Dewitt)**
 - Encouraged more involvement in Zone 7 top times
 - **Zone 8 – Brad Jones (Fenton)**
- **Vendor Introduction**
 - Different Strokes
 - Riegle Timing
 - Club Assistant
 - Pace Pal

Old Business:

- Eric Talsma will be taking over awards at the D3 state meet
- MISCA is looking to move clinic location. Membership supported staying in Battle Creek, but will look into options

Award Winners

- Matt Mann 2012 Winner - Don Kimble (Holland)
- Bruce Harlan 2012 Winner - Jane Meyers (Holland West Ottawa)
- NHSCA Nomination: Mike Rado
- NHSCA Asst Coach Bob LaRoque
- Federation Nomination: Don Kimble (Girls) Michael McHugh (Boys)
- MHSCA: Shannon Dunworth (Girls), Mark Fazio (Boys)
- MHSCA Hall of Fame: John DuBois, Bob Crosby, and Greg Phill
- 2011 Federation Winner: Shannon Dunworth
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Elections:

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- Matt Mann - Shannon Dunworth (Mercy/CC) was nominated by David Zulkiewski (Andover)
- Bruce Harlan - no nominations
- Outstanding Service
 - Jim Edgar nominated by Brad Jones
- NISCA State Delegate
 - Gregg Brace was nominated
 - Denny Hill was nominated
 - Denny Hill was voted in as the new NISCA State Delegate
- MISCA President Elect
 - Mike Rado nominated David Zulkiewski
 - No other nominations, David Zulkiewski will become the president-elect

Meeting was adjourned at 10:21AM by Liz Hill