

ILMSA FALL MEETING  
11/1/2015

Heidi Kafka, ILMSA Chair, called the meeting to order at 12:28 pm.

Board Members Present: Heidi Kafka ILMSA Chair, Tracy Lord ILMSA Vice Chair, Susan Scanlan Sanctions Co-Chair, Andy Siebt – Sanctions Co-Chair, Kevin Scanlan Long Distance Chair, Ed Stranc Safety and Officials Chair, AJ Block Fitness Chair, Laurel Liberty Coaches Chair, Michael McDonnell Communication Committee Co-Chair, Robert Zeitner Recognition/Awards Chair

Members Present: Chris Colburn – ABM, Nicole Merson – ABM, Vincent Hall – EVM, Corinne Grotenhuis – Elgin, Stephanie Dumire – EVM, Marilyn Kulak – LWM, Dan Perkey – Smelts, Barry Dayton – Lattof Penguins, Debbie Gortowski – ROCK, Amy Goodwin – Gray Sharks, Ruth Giles Ott – Smelts, Kristen Ellison – Smelts, Brian Gilbert – Smelts, Billy Cordero – Swedish Fish, Emily Traw – Smelts

Motions:

Heidi presented a motion for the shortened length of fall meeting notice waiver. Chris Colburn seconded the motion. The motion passed

Heidi presented a motion to approve the meeting agenda for the 11/1/15 ILMSA fall meeting. Ed Stranc seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Heidi presented a motion to approve the Spring Meeting (4/12/15) minutes. Ed Stranc seconded the motion. The motion passed  
New Business – 2016 State Meet:

### **Munster – 2016 State Meet**

Matt Lee & Mike Carlson presented. The meet will be held at the Munster High School/Aquatic Complex in Munster, IN weekend of April 15 – 17. Pool was built in 2010, there will be 2 competition pools and a warm up pool. Pools are 7ft at the shallowest and 14.5 ft at the deepest end. There are 2 lockers rooms, a hospital-ity room and spectator seating accessible by stairs and elevators. Munster has hosted many swim meets of all age rangers up to 1100 participants. Meet hosts can accommodate any number of participants for distance events.

#### *Discussion that followed Munster bid presentation:*

Number of entries for distance events. Scoreboard information.  
Pool splits – mens and womens pools or mixed or by heat.  
Places to award (1 – 10 or ?). Breaks during order of events.  
Munster would like direction on how ILMSA would want the meet to run.

### **Libertyville – 2016 State Meet**

Laurel Liberty & Mike Laurence presented. The meet will be held at the Rec Plex in Pleasant Prairie, WI April 8 – 10, 2016. Spon-sors will be the Lake Forest Swim Club and Libertyville Masters. There will be 200 slots for the 1000 free, 400 IM & 500 free and the Friday night start time will be 5pm, with warm up beginning at 4pm.

#### *Discussion that followed Libertyville bid presentation:*

Board/Championship Cmte to facilitate discussion on pool set up  
Mens vs. Womens or other options.

### **Niles North– 2016 State Meet**

No representative from Niles North was present. AJ Block has familiarity with the pool and gave impromptu overview.

Niles North is a new pool and is wide with 8 lanes available. Seating for 500. Location is in Skokie, next to Old Orchard mall. There would be 1 competition pool and the old pool would be used as the warm up pool (set up is similar to Glenbrook South).

#### *Discussion that followed Niles North bid presentation:*

Minimal as there was no representative from the pool. Question came up about the starter block types and scoreboard. Also if there were back stroke started ledges.

### **Vote**

All present teams & voting Board members were given allotted ballots. Billy Cordero and Chris Colburn will count the on-site collected ballots and proxy ballots. Meeting to continue until vote is completed.

Motion made to delay 2017 voting as only 2 bids were received. Motion denied.

Officers Reports:

Chair – Heidi Kafka

Six delegates attended the USMS National Convention. Efforts are being made to increase the communication with members. The Coaches Committee has brought in several members to develop a program to provide support to coaching community and grow their interaction. Championship committee has been tasked with developing a plan for State Meet bidding to get more organized and ahead of schedule on the biggest event for ILMSA. Website task force is being started to redesign the ILMSA task-force.

Vice Chair – Tracy Lord

Focus on increasing communication and engagement with members specifically thru social media, website task force and ILMSA awards event planning.

Treasurer – Art Vallette was not present but Heidi presented that ILMSA is in solid financial standing. A motion to approve the budget was presented by Ed Stranc. It was seconded by AJ Block. The motion passed.

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2016 State Meet Voting Results are in: Munster is the winner. Motion to destroy 2016 ballots was presented by Ed Stranc and it was seconded by Chris Colburn. The motion passed.

2017 State Meet ballots were handed out. 2 bids received for 2017 – Libertyville and Munster. No additional questions for either bidder before voting.

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Sanctions Committee – Susan Scanlon presented. 10 SCY meets, 2 SCM meets and 1 LCM meets were sanctioned for

2014/2015. 2015/2016 10 SCM meets expected, 4 are confirmed, 4 are pending. SCM meets are pending.

Open Water/Long Distance – Kevin Scanlon  
5 events were held, 3 were sanctioned. The biggest were Crystal Lake and Sharkfest swims. Future focus for the role should be to talk to races to get sanctioned and understand new USMS sanction requirements for 2016.

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2017 State Meet ballots have been counted. Libertyville will host 2017.

Chris Colburn presented a motion to destroy all ballots. Ed Stranc seconded the motion. The motion passed.

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Finance Committee – Dave Simms will be the incoming chair

Officials Committee – Ed Stranc

Ed has officiating crews all set for meet season. Discussed the need for increased focus on safety during warm up and warm down. Need of a marshall to oversee the warm up/down pool. Entry into the pools is a focus as well as accommodating diverse ages/bodies of masters swimmers.

Coaches Committee – Laurel Liberty

Coaches committee has added members: MJ, Billy Cordero and Chris Colburn. Focus on scholarships/coaching grant requirements and scheduling a coaches clinic.

Communications Committee – Michael McDonnell

Focus on increasing relevance of ILMSA as well as working on website task force.

### Health/Fitness – AJ Block

AJ is working to increase content and communication – has some ideas coming out of convention. More to come on this but National Events have been added to the website for increased awareness.

### Recognition – Bob Zeitner

There are number of awards available – encourage folks to submit nominees. There is a process and timing outlined on the website so be sure to follow that.

### Old Business

No old business was brought up to discuss

AJ Block presented a motion to adjourn the meeting. Ed Stranc seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Meeting adjourned at 1:53 pm.