

ILMSA CONFERENCE CALL MEETING, 9/4/12

Heather Howland, ILMSA Chair, called the meeting to order at 7:36

Present were: Heather Howland, ILMSA Chair; Heidi Kafka, ILMSA Vice-Chair; Ruth Giles-Ott, Secretary; Michael McConnell, Communications Chair and Webmaster; A.J. Block, Fitness/Health Chair; Robert Zeitner, Awards Chair; Mark Mattson, Sanctions Chair; John Traynor, Open Water and Long Distance Chair; and Chris Colburn, former Chair.

Not present were: Phil Dodson, Treasurer; Erik VanEtten, Registrar; Laurel Liberty, Coaches Chair; Skip Montanero, Records and Tabulations Chair; Barbara Delanois, Finance Chair; Rich Mueller, Officials Chair; and Fred Pigott, Safety Chair.

I. Agenda Items

- A. Heather Howland raised the issue of the ILMSA State Meet Championship Task Force's Recommendation 4, which was tabled at the last conference call meeting:

Recommendation 4: Relays will be limited to 12 relays per team per relay event.

The Board confirmed that the limit of 12 relays would apply to mixed relays, in the same manner as other relays. Ruth Giles-Ott put the motion to a vote. Heidi Kafka seconded. The motion passed unopposed.

- B. John Traynor, Open Water and Long Distance Chair, made a motion, supported by an email to the board, to repeal the policy of imposing an advertising surcharge of \$.50. The purpose of this surcharge was to leverage a USMS program that no longer exists. Heidi Kafka seconded the motion. Motion passed unopposed.
- C. Phil Dodson made a motion, supported by an email sent to the board, in favor of a scholarship for ILMSA membership. Robert Zeitner requested clarification as to who would decide scholarship recipients, and as to the term of the scholarship. Heather Howland reviewed Phil Dodson's email, and determined that the proposal is that board members would rank scholarship requests and submit them to the executive committee for consideration. The program would begin November 1st. The motion was tabled until Phil Dodson could present his motion.

II. New business

- A. Heather Howland noted that we need a meeting space for the ILMSA fall meeting, and requested that board members send her suggestions for appropriate places and available times.
- B. Ruth Giles-Ott noted that her computer crashed and she lost ILMSA minutes. She requested board members send her minutes. Michael McDonnell offered to fix her computer.
- C. Heather Howland requested that board members attending the national convention send her an email listing their national committee memberships, and requests for preferred conference sessions.
- D. A. J. Block reported that the I Swam a Marathon event has seen an uptick in the submission of entries, as the time for entering the event is quickly approaching—September 6, 2012.
- E. John Traynor requested that we consider two new programs in our next meeting:
 - 1. Swimmer of the Year for both pool swimmers and open water swimmers;
 - 2. Open Water Championship.

AJ Block and Heather Howland are on USMS committees that address these very types of events. They will inquire about other programs and report back to the board.

F. Ruth Giles-Ott made a motion to adjourn. Heidi Kafka seconded. Motion passed unopposed. Conference call adjourned at 8:08 p.m.