

ILMSA CONFERENCE CALL

10/12/15

Heidi Kafka, ILMSA Chair, called the meeting to order at 7:34 pm.

Members Present: Heidi Kafka ILMSA Chair, Tracy Lord ILMSA Vice Chair, Georgia McDaniel ILMSA Secretary, Art Vallette ILMSA Treasurer, Susan Scanlan Sanctions Chair, Ed Stranc Safety and Officials Chair, Barb Delanois Finance Chair, AJ Block Fitness Chair, Laurel Liberty Coaches Chair, Phil Dodson USMS Treasurer

The Minutes from 9/14/15 were accepted.

Motions:

-Barb presented a motion for the ILMSA to waive the sanction fee for all events fewer than 300 people. Phil seconded the motion. The motion passed.

-Phil presented a motion for the ILMSA to refund the entire \$50 sanction fee when results are turned in and complete. Barb seconded the motion. The motion passed.

-Phil presented a motion to approve all three nominations to the board; Andy Seibt co chair of Sanctions until the end of the year and Open Water Chair at the end of the year, David Sims as Finance Chair, Barb as Registration. Ed seconded. The motion passed. Thanks to Susan and Eric for their years of service.

Convention:

- Five members attended and met as a group and developed some ideas to work on in the future. The House of Delegates presented legislation that all sanction fees will be charged to the

ILMSA a \$50 pool fee and and open water fee of \$100 (not into effect until Jan 2016)plus \$5 per participants up to \$1000 dollars.

-State Meet update. Glenbrook North has expressed some interest. Phil has sent out 5 bids and information and has received one bid back Munster masters from IN. The deadline is Oct 19. Forms were sent to Vernon Hills, Glenbrook North, Evanston, Windy City Masters and Tri Masters

-There was discussion about creating divisions based on team size for awarding trophies at the state meet. We could award 1-3rd place trophies to small, medium and large teams. Laurel will investigate team size, and total number of entries and will send this information out.

-Coaches committee update. The committee discussed a grant program that would be available for team growth. For example, bringing in a well known coach to give a clinic for masters coaches.

-Fitness update. AJ has started "I Swam a Marathon" which has never caught on. Perhaps bring back the weight loss program which was somewhat successful. Another idea would be to create a calendar with fitness events. Can we do something at the state meet to promote different fitness events?

OLD Business

-ALS. We have a separate website for ALS (Adult Learn to Swim) which cost \$45. We are in the development stages so we should keep the website going. Susan should be reimbursed for expenses. Twenty eight grants were awarded to teams for ALS. It is not clear if IL received one.

-Posting of minutes. Minutes and financials should be posted.

-Fall meeting will be held Nov 1 at Vernon Hills High School at noon.

NEW Business

-We are facing three vacancies on the board, Sanctions has approached Andy Seibt to co chair until the end of the year and chair open water. Susan will resign at the end of the year. Eric is resigning as Registrar and Barb has agreed to fill this position. David Sims has agreed to serve as Finance Chair.

-Updating the website - Heidi will come up with names of people who might be interested in working on updating our website.

-Development seminar- USMS is putting on a development seminar Oct 25. The seminar is meant to develop a key volunteer in the LMSC to communicate with teams and the USMS and assist in development of teams.

-Barb will investigate updating places to swim

-Congratulations to Liz Dillman, AJ Block, Dave Sims and Jim Cupler on their world record relays at the Urbana Meet this weekend.

The meeting was adjourned 8:34 pm.

