

ILMSA November 2021 Board Meeting

Time: Nov 1, 2021 07:30 PM Central Time (US and Canada)
Join Zoom Meeting

MINUTES

M, S, A = Motion, Second, Approved

1. Call to Order

The Chair called the meeting to order at 7:32pm

2. Roll Call

Attendees: Phil Dodson, Marissa Filippo, Michael Weiss, Mike Hillegonds, Tom Holmberg, Ed Stranc, Molly Hoover, Andy Seibt, Barbara Delanois, AJ Block, Michael Abegg,

3. Approval of October 2021 Meeting Minutes

M, S, A to approve the October 2021 ILMSA Board Meeting Minutes as presented.

4. Chair announcements

a. Recap ILMSA web site issue

The ILMSA website was down for 10 days, but we were able to obtain ownership of the account again and we posted some top 10 times.

5. Adult Learn to Swim guide for developing ILMSA ALTS

a. Vote on guide for developing ILMSA ALTS

M, S, A to adopt the ALTS proposal as board guidelines for proceeding with an ALTS program in Illinois. (Mike moved, Ed 2nd)

6. Old Business

a. Elections Comte to propose Policies and Procedures (when to present)

b. Looking for members to join ALTS Ad Hoc Comte – Ed & Marissa

c. Looking for members to review ILMSA Board structure

7. New Business

a. Budget process and timing – Dan Reisner

b. Recent coach clinics – Molly Hoover

Molly said the coach clinics went well and there were 10 coaches who took advantage of the training. Discussion occurred related to which USMS coach level curriculum covers the administration and business side of running a club. The American Swimming Coaches Association (ASCA) has an excellent business training program.

c. Update on sanctions – Andy Seibt

Although we don't have any officially sanctioned meets, here is the list of clubs that Andy is in conversation with for 2021/2022:

- December 5, 2021: Evanston
- January 9, 2022: Des Plaines (formerly Latoff)
- January 15, 2022: Joliet
- January 23, 2022: Champaign
- January 30, 2022: Evanston (2nd meet)
- Haven't hear about February 13, 2022: St. Charles (historically the Superbowl meet)
- February 19-20, 2022: Possible meet at FMC (Andy is spearheading this)
- March 6, 2022: Bloomington (Illinois Wesleyan)
- Same or different weekend in March – Swedish Fish (they are looking for a venue)

Additionally, the South of I-80 group is talking about a summer or a fall meet.

d. State Meet Committee – Andy Seibt

Andy and Phil are working on invites for this committee. AJ volunteered and Ed will receive an invitation.

e. New Policy on Recognition and Awards – Michael Hillegond

M, S, A to adopt the policy on recognition and awards as presented (see below). The first notice for awards goes out in November.

f. Name: John Sloan award – Phil

Phil was contacted by a swimmer who questioned the name of this award. Phil suggests a policy related to naming awards that the membership votes upon. If someone wants to work on this, please send Phil or Michael an email.

g. What is the ILMSA Brand?

Discussion occurred based upon the ILMSA Brand document that Phil prepared to stimulate board discussion. Clarification of the function of ILMSA, comparing to other states, history of ILMSA and CMSA, there are also “zones” that the states belong to under the national banner.

8. Adjournment

M, S, A to adjourn the meeting at 8:24pm.

Revised Policy Adopted – November 1, 2021

Voting procedures for ILMSA annual awards

Overview:

Annually the ILMSA board accepts nominations from membership for three awards to be presented during the ILMSA state meet. These awards are: Coach of the Year, John Sloan Award (volunteer of the year) and the Bill Mulliken Award (lifetime achievement award). The following procedures will be used to solicit nominations and determine the winner of each award.

The Chair of Awards and Recognition (CAR) will send out notification e-mails to all ILMSA members requesting nomination letters for the three awards starting in November. Any individual member, as defined in Section 2.03 “By-Laws Of Illinois Masters Swimming Association”, has the opportunity to nominate an ILMSA member in good standing for one of these awards. A member is only eligible to be awarded one award per year with nominations for the Coach of Year and the John Sloan Award accompanied by a list of accomplishments for the current year. The Bill Mulliken Award should include current and past accomplishments.

Nomination Process:

In order to provide membership with time to complete a recommendation letter the CAR will send an e-mail out in November opening the nomination period. Members will be directed to access the ILMSA website where additional information regarding each award can be found. Additional e-mails will be sent in December and January as reminders to submit nominations.

Post Nomination Period:

--The CAR will review each nomination to determine if the nomination satisfies the qualification standards for the specific award. If there are minor deficiencies, as determined by the CAR, the nominator maybe contacted and asked to include any missing information. Examples include but are not limited to, team name, spelling of nominees name etc.

-- If the CAR believes that a candidate's nomination meets the criteria for a different award the CAR will contact the ILMSA President with their recommendation. If the ILMSA President concurs, the CAR will contact the nominator.

--The CAR will contact the nominator to discuss the nomination. Contact should be made via telephone call.

-- It will be the sole decision of the nominator as to whether they want the nominee to be considered for a different award or to leave the nomination in the original category. If the nominator agrees to resubmit an updated nomination it must be received before the deadline to be considered.

--To be clear, the CAR's recommendation to consider a different category does not in any way infer that said nominee will receive the award.

--The CAR will provide the Board, via email, a list of nominees received for each award prior to the February meeting. A second e-mail will be sent to each board member containing all individual nomination letters of each candidate.

--At the February meeting, the CAR will provide Board Members with the date at which their vote should be submitted.

--All board members will submit one vote for each award category. Each board member will be asked to submit their vote to the CAR by a specific date. Any votes received after the requested deadline will not be counted.

--In case of a tie the candidates will be submitted to the Executive Board who will determine the winner.

Award

--The CAR will provide a recommendation to the board of an award and vendor to be used during the February Board of Directors meeting. The CAR will request board approval to proceed. Upon Board approval, the award will be ordered and delivered to the CAR who will be responsible for bringing the awards to the state meet where the winners will be announced. If a state meet is not held the CAR will make arrangements to present the awards to the winner.

Schedule Alteration

--Due to foreseen circumstances, the Board at its discretion may alter or amend this awards schedule.