



MASSACHUSETTS INTERSCHOLASTIC
ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION



MIAA Swim & Dive Committee Minutes – May 16, 2022

1. Call to Order
2. Attendance
3. Thank you - Rob Pearl
 - a. Really stepped up during COVID times for our sport.
 - b. Has been a great liaison for us and will be missed
 - c. State Swim Coaches Assoc. recognized/thanked him yesterday at their banquet.
4. Approval of Minutes Dec 14, 2021
 - a. Motion to accept, approved - 10:06
5. Review of 2022 Winter Sectional Meets
 - a. Kim (Boys North & South)
 - i. See attached documents
 - ii. Thank you again to Dedham/Milford for making it happen
 - iii. Enjoyed having boys/girls diving together
 - iv. Good handful of cut times adjusted. (especially events that did not have 16 participants)
 - v. Direct Athletic Issues
 - b. Paul - Boys & Girls West
 - i. See attached documents
 - ii. Decrease in participants. roughly 60 boys/70 girls less than 2020 (no meet in '21)
 - iii. Special thanks for Springfield College coaches and athletes for all their volunteering due to less people in the building.
 - iv. 2'nd camera set up by diving (NFHS) was fantastic. Great feedback.
 - v. Two new meet records set (1 boys 500, 1 girls Medley Relay)
 - c. Pete (Girls North & South)
 - i. See Attached documents
 - ii. Milford stepped up (Dave Chaplin) to make boys and girls North Sectionals happen
 - iii. Dedham (Karen ???) made diving happen) for sectionals
 - iv. Numbers were down a little (we cut back on time consuming/big number events)
 - v. 1 new meet record at girls south meet)
 - vi. Direct Athletic Issues
6. Issues that arose with Direct Athletics This Winter
 - a. Thank you to Rick Kates who helps run Direct Athletics for MIAA track who was EXTREMELY helpful because Direct Athletics was not very helpful!
 - b. Lots of coaches turn over and AD turnover so there was a loss of login information plus not using it at all during the 2021 school year.
 - c. Going to create a video w/ instructions to be posted on MIAA Swim/Dive website.
 - d. Can MIAA help get in touch with someone so we can have a contact go to for customer assistance.

- e. Sherry - Town Hall style meetings have been helpful as well. Perhaps we add those in as well as entry time is approaching.
 - f. Kim needs access from Direct Athletics to be able to re-align teams as well.
7. EMISCA State Records Update 21-22 School Year
- a. 2 new records set in the fall season (100 butterfly, 100 free) None set at winter state meets.
8. NFHS Swim and Dive Rules Update
- a. No new rule changes. Some recommendations
9. Review of Fall 2022 Format
- a. Page 2 - verification of DD and Dive compliance added in.
 - b. NOTE - B Direct Athletics - will add links for videos/instructions there
 - c. Page 4 - f - Officials - made language match fall and winter formats
 - d. page 5 - M Shaving - added per NFHS 3-6-9
 - e. page 6 - Q - Lists Rob Pearl for All American Filming (update with new liaison)
 - f. page 7 - Diving - Update to Kim Whitworth

MOTION TO APPROVE FALL 2022 format - seconded - APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY

10. Proposed Swim and Dive Qualifying Times - Winter 2023
- a. Goal is 20-30 athletes in each event.
 - b. Look at # of seniors leaving and # of athletes in each event from year to year
 - c. This year with Covid and changing state meet to a week late potentially made the meets smaller??

MOTION to accept minutes (all sectionals and States are on one sheet) - PASSED Unanimously

11. Review of Winter 2023 Format
- a. Same changes as fall format to get them up to par with each other
12. Projected Dates / Sites for Fall & Winter Tournaments
- a. Fall
 - i. Sectionals Nov 5 or 6 (shooting for Sunday)
 - ii. States Nov 12 or 13 (Shooting for Sunday)
 - b. Winter
 - i. Weekend of Feb 11 & 12 for sectionals
 - ii. Weekend of Feb 18 & 19 for States
 - c. These are what is requested. No school has said no yet, but nothing in ink yet either.
13. Prep for next alignment cycle (2023-2025)
- a. TMC will meet later this week and we may have an update.
 - i. There were hundreds of appeals this year, Catholics and Co-Op schools.
 - b. Should we put a sub committee together to see how this impacted swimming/diving
 - i. Let's wait and see what comes out of this meeting.
 - c. Discussion of Catholic schools ALL being moved up. It's tough where we only have 2 divisions unlike other sports who may have 3, 4 and 5 divisions.

14. New Business / Other
- a. Nothing came up

15. Next Meeting / TBD

- a. Tues Sept 13, 2022 is a tentative date set for now. (In person at MIAA office)

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