

MISSA
Minutes - District Committee Annual Meeting
December 28, 2020

Present on Conference Call – Ted Anderson, Lynn Frikker, Sharon Murphy Garber, Zac Hernandez, Jeff Hudson, & Matt Thompson.

- 1) **Call to Order** – Ted – Meeting was called to order at 7:16. All Board members are in attendance.
- 2) **Election of Officers and League Representatives** – Election of officers was completed at the MISSA Annual District Meeting. District Committee Members and District Director. The following have been elected to a one-year term:
 - District Director - Ted Anderson
 - Secretary / Treasurer - Jeff Hudson de Tarnowsky
 - ISSA Representative - Sharon Garber
 - East - Lynn Frikker
 - Central - Zac Hernandez
 - West - Matt Thompson
- 3) **Treasurer's Report** - Jeff
 - i) **55 Active Members** as of 12/28/2020 (131 active members one year ago)
 - ii) Available cash balances **\$29,351.12**
 - iii) Expenses exceed revenues for the 12-month period ending 12/31/2020 by \$582.27. (Note - The ISSA Fiscal Year runs from July 1 to June 30)
 - iv) ISSA collects from MISSA \$100 per school for dues. There will be no proration of dues in 2020/2021.
 - v) For future discussion, MISSA may want to increase the discounted fee of \$85 to \$100 to ensure that MISSA breaks even when paying ISSA dues. Regular MISSA dues are \$125 per year.
- 4) **League Reports:**
 - a) East – Frikker – Last Spring's 2020 season was difficult in many ways due to the pandemic. Despite the challenges, several Detroit area schools were able to compete locally in 420s. In fact, the Michigan State Championships were held. East was successful in sailing safely by leveraging preassigned boats, eliminating boat rotations, etc.
 - b) Central – Hernandez – Illinois schools and Indiana schools were not permitted to travel across state borders. Local programs would race against each other. Many events were "scrimmages". Lake Forest is willing to host our Cressy Qualifiers. Chicago YC is willing to host Malory/Baker if asked. Zac would like to ensure that all teams submit their registration fees at least a week in advance. He has noticed an increase in last minute registrations. This causes issues with Tech Score on the day of the regatta.
 - c) West – Thompson – Administrators in Minnesota have been closing "high school" events, but not "youth events". For this reason, many programs are hosting "After School Sailing" events rather than "High School Sailing" events. Restrictions in the state of Wisconsin are very few. This has caused angst in Minnesota regarding health concerns. These two states have not intermingled sailors. Instead, they are sailing within their respective states, not crossing borders.
- 5) **Report from ISSA** - Ted
 - a) New Standing Rules – Establishment of League Committees
 - i) Each League is permitted to establish its own committee to help manage its local coordination.

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- ii) The League Representative is the leader. Committee size may be up to 3 to 5 individuals. The term of a League Committee Member is one year.
 - iii) Committee members are expected to help to spread the work. Ted offered that each League Rep establish their own plan which works for them and their League.
- 6) New 2021 – 2024 ISSA Procedural Rules Update - Ted**
- a) Draft Procedural Rules are available for review on the ISSA site. Many new ISSA Procedural Rules are MISSA procedural rules which it had previously published in its Supplemental Rules. Ted will share the weblink across the District.
 - b) There are some implications with respect the changes and our currently published MISSA Supplemental Rules. We now need to align them with the ISSA changes. Ted noted that our Committee has the authority to align them with the ISSA Procedural Rules and make changes internally.
 - c) Before our next District Committee Meeting, all Committee members are requested by Ted to review and comment on the draft MISSA Supplemental Rules. Goal is to ensure consistency and reduce the length of the document.
- 7) Spring Season Plans – Discussion - Ted**
- a) Ted shared a draft Excel document with the “proposed schedule” for Spring sailing.
 - i) *Tentative* - MISSA Cressy Qualifier is proposed for April 24-25 hosted by Lake Forest. ISSA Cressy is proposed for the 2nd weekend in May at Sail Newport
 - ii) MISSA Baker May 1-2 hosted by Lake Minnetonka Sailing School; ISSA Baker (Team Racing National Championships) - May 22-23, 2021 in Miami, FL.
 - iii) MISSA Mallory Qualifiers will be held during the 2nd weekend of May hosted by The Foundry/Mallory (Double-handed Dinghy National Championships) - June 5-6, 2021 in Cleveland, OH (Foundry)
 - iv) MISSA Pre-qualifiers need to take place in advance of the MISSA Qualifiers.
- 8) Other Business**
- a) N/A - None
- 9) Meeting Adjourned at 7:57 pm.**

Respectfully submitted

Jeff Hudson, Secretary/Treasurer