MISSA District Committee Meeting Minutes April 11, 2023

Present: Ted Anderson, Sharon Murphy Garber, Lynn Frikker, Will Howard, Matt Thompson

Absent: Jeff Hudson

## 1. Call to Order

Meeting Called to Order 7:02 p.m.

## 2. Approval of Minutes

The minutes from the March 7th, 2023 meeting were approved unanimously.

## 3. Appointment to Fill Vacancy

Ted moved to appoint Will Howard as the Central League Rep. Unanimously approved.

## 4. Spring Schedule Updates

The committee reviewed the schedule. Lynn reported that East has upcoming combined pre-quals in Pontiac (MI) and Columbus (OH). There are no Ohio team racing teams and only 5 for Michigan. East's 7 Mallory slots will be split 3 to Ohio and 4 to Michigan because Michigan has more teams registered. Central Mallory is in Columbia, Central Baker at Lake Forest registration is still open, so we can't do the final Baker allocations until that is closed.

Matt reported that the West Quals will have a go/no-go on Thursday, but there have been complaints about making the call that late due to hotel cancellation policies. Determining a backup in case it can't be sailed is causing disputes, because our rules do not specifically address backups for PRE- qualifiers. Several times in past years we have applied the backup rule for MISSA qualifiers to the pre-qualifiers, so that is the precedent. This means using the Great Lakes Champs as the back up, but there are teams who chose to go to ACCs instead of Great Lakes.

Also, there is a possibility of rescheduling to the following weekend, perhaps at Minnetonka. If we do so, there is a question about whether to allow additional teams to register or just the ones that registered for the original dates.

Matt suggested looking at not trying to have a Mallory pre-qualifier in the west - just using fall results. For several years we have not successfully had a west pre-qual.

Lake Forest will host both MISSA Mallory and MISSA Baker. Ted thanked them for stepping up. There may not be on the water umpiring for MISSA Mallory - TBD.

Sharon gave a recap of the Baker Nationals planning committee meeting last night. Everything is on track.

The fall schedule draft is posted. The plan is to have Great Lakes 10/22-23 at CYC - waiting to hear from CYC. This will allow Great Lakes to be the qualifier for ACC and avoid the conflicts from this fall.

MISSA Cressy will be in Central, Pontiac wants to host Great Oaks. Each League needs to find hosts for Great Lakes Qualifiers and we still need a host for keelboats.

Submitted April 12, 2023 Ted Anderson