77th Annual NISCA Conference Columbus, Ohio

Thursday, March 25, 2010

President Dana Abbott called the meeting to order and welcomed the membership and guests to the conference.

Dana announced changes to the schedule for Thursday because of the NCAA decision to postpone the meet for the day.

Committee Reports

Power Point/National Team Rankings – Paul Torno

Paul encouraged the members to participate and mentioned several ways that the points tables could be used.

All America Archives – Paul Torno

Search program service free for members.

Rules – Paul Torno

Selected list of rules proposals to be discussed at Friday's rules meeting.

Audit – Don Allen

Don noted that Tom Wojslawowicz is absent because of a death in the family. The tax audit was in good order. Don announced that we are \$10,000 ahead of where we were last year at this time. The treasurer's report was accepted.

Constitution – Don Allen

Constitution and By-Law proposal from last year – change in the membership year-- Membership year from August 1 to July 31.

Our fiscal year must adhere to Federal Tax Law – November 1 – October 31 Changes will be made to the Constitution dealing with financial responsibilities New proposal from Zone Directors – drop the requirement for the Zone Top 16

Award

New proposal from Executive Committee – drop or add committees on a year to year basis as need arises

Zone Directors –Arvel McElroy

The Zone Top 16 awards are not being done any more in many zones. Zone directors should be looking downward to serve the areas of states as far as communication. The Zone Directors are adding Skype accounts and will enhance communication with the state reps. Grow organization from grassroots. Zone directors are vital to growing membership.

Marketing – Dana Abbott

Dana reviewed our partnerships and sponsors. The current status of contracts was presented. Dana noted that the Executive committee has developed a well working marketing system/team.

Awards Committee – Bill Stetson

Members present: Bill Stetson, Don Allen, Steve Montgomery, Mark Onstott, Phil Emery, Mel Roberts, Glenn Kaye, Tom Caccia, Tom Hudson, Paul Torno, Dana Abbott.

The following were selected for the ballot for the O.S.A.

Steve Marshing UT, Kimo Streeter WA, Ron Johns CO, Steve Barber AZ, Brian Weaver CA Evar Silvernagle MN, Jay Fitzgerald FL, Gene Cassioppi IL, Mary Anne Agnatuk MI, Jim Tonkovich IN

Hall of Fame Award Candidates Tom Wojslawowicz, Art Downey

Collegiate Scholastic Candidates Paul Torno, Marney Shirley

The Committee voted to give a Life Membership to Art Downey. To be voted upon at the General Meeting.

The Committee voted to give an Honorary Membership to John Leonard. To be voted upon at the General Meeting.

Motion by M. Onstott, 2nd Phil Emery. Amend By-Law Art. 5, Sec. 3a. The O,S.A, H. of F. and Coll – Schol awards will be determined by a vote of the Awards Committee. Rationale: We are getting a very small return of the ballots on the national vote. The awards committee has studied the resumes and has the best knowledge to make the final selections. Prelim. Vote at this yrs. Meeting – up for a final vote at 2011 conference.

Motion by Phil Emery, 2nd Steve Montgomery. The awards committee shall be empowered to present an additional Hall of Fame Award whenever circumstances merit such consideration. Prelim. Vote at this yrs. Meeting – up for a final vote at 2011 conference.

New DHR Ex. In Coaching Award Recipients will be published in the Awards Banquet Program each yr.

The Banquet Program will be published in the Journal each year.

Wording of the inscriptions on all of the awards were reviewed and edited.

Journal – Tom Caccia

Tom requested pictures for Featured Teams.

National Records and Archives - Mike Schuelke

Mike urged the membership to join ISHOF. This year to date we have 7 few national records. Mike is working to join forces to coordinate records with the National Federation. Mike asked for archive for our records. Don Allen asked if we have thought about Microfiche. Dana pointed out that microfiche is now outdated and that CD's would be the answer.

All America – Mark Onstott

The committee discussed the jobs of the All America Chairs and what changes are taking place with those positions. The committee decided to leave things as they are for the coming year. Moving online will be Scholar Team, then Power Points, then Academic All America in that order. The committee discussed changing the All America swimming list be changed to 100 per event. Discussion was given to increasing the requirements for Academic All America. Marney Shirley will chair an ad hoc committee to study this topic. The committee members will be appointed by Dana Abbott.

Membership – Peter Hugo

Membership to date is 1361. This is down about 34 from last year at this date. Membership applications online is working but we still use paper applications (about half). Peter would like more members to go online to update their information. He noted we still have a time lapse for those members who join through ASCA. Passwords for some have been problems. We are working on the problem.

Dana took an informal survey as to whether or not the members were receiving the eblast from the webmaster.

Nominations for Secretary

Glenn Kaye nominated Eve Julian from Michigan. The motion was seconded by Don Allen

Phil Emery nominated Mel Roberts from Utah. The motion was seconded by Bob Smartt.

Dana introduced Patti Kast from Kastaway who spoke for a few minutes.

Motion to adjourn the meeting made by Mark Onstott.

Friday, March 26, 2010

President-Elect Arvel McElroy called the meeting to order.

Don Allen, Constitution Chair, read the proposed constitutional changes regarding the change of the membership year from November 1- October 31 to August 1 – July 31. A motion was made and seconded to accept the proposed changes. The motion passed unanimously.

Mel Roberts, Utah, graciously withdrew his nomination for secretary. Eve Julian presented her election speech for secretary. A motion was made and seconded to elect Eve by acclamation. The motion passed unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned.

Saturday, March 27, 2010

President Dana Abbott called the meeting to order.

New Business

Don Allen, Constitution chair, read the bi-law proposals for the coming year.

A proposal was made by the Zone Directors present to drop the requirement that Zone Directors compile and distribute Zone Top 16 certificates. They will continue to distribute the State Top 16 certificates. Motion to accept made by Lanny Landtroop and seconded by Kirk Price. The motion passed unanimously.

A proposal for a change was made by the Executive Committee to allow the President to add or delete committees as needs warrant. Kirk Price moved and Steve Montgomery seconded the motion to accept the proposal. The motion passed unanimously.

A proposal for change was made by the Awards Committee and Executive Committee to change the voting procedures for professional awards. Rather than have a vote by membership, the Professional Awards Committee will select the award recipients. Motion to accept made by Phil Emery and seconded by Steve Montgomery. Bob Smartt asked if the Professional Awards Committee was an open meeting. Don explained that the committee meeting is a closed meeting.

Bill Stetson explained the committee's procedures for selected nominees. Discussion ensued. A motion was made by Lanny Landtroop to accept the proposal seconded by Jim Starrett. The motion passed unanimously.

A proposal for change was made by the Awards Committee to add the option of adding an additional Hall of Fame candidate when appropriate. A motion was made by Lanny Landtroop and seconded by Steve Montgomery. The motion passed unanimously.

It is the unanimous recommendation of the All America Committee and Executive Committee to change the number of Swimming and Diving All Americans from 130 to 100 per event. This would take take effect for the 2010-2011 school year. Discussion followed. Jerry Lusk motioned and seconded by Bob Schegel seconded. Unanimous acceptance

The membership present voted to award a Life Membership to Art Downey. The membership voted to award an Honorary Life Membership to John Leonard of ASCA.

Dana spoke about updating the DHR award.

Dana spoke about the length of the conference. Some feel that the conference is too long, especially in this day of economic challenges. Discussion was led to determine if shortening the conference by one day would be appropriate. Dana stressed that this was not an issue to be voted upon but that the Executive Committee would like your input – e-mailed until September 1.

A motion to adjourn was made.