

**Minutes of the Illinois Swimming Official's Association Regular Meeting  
Saturday, February 25, 2017, New Trier High School**

President Mike Hutton called the meeting to order at 9:03am. In attendance were officers Mike Hutton, Todd Gray, Fred Gafrick, Emil Barbato, Mark Anderson and approximately 24 Association members.

Kraig Garber from IHSA addressed the membership. He thanked the members for their services throughout the year and at this year's Boy's State Meet.

**Secretary's report:** Minutes for the previous meeting on 11/19/16 were moved to be accepted as posted on the ISOA website by Chuck Ytzen and seconded by Steve Fedota. Motion carried.

**Treasurer's report:** Treasurer's report for 11/19/16 through 2/25/17 were moved to be accepted as posted on the ISOA website by Jim Katula and seconded by Bill Bavirsha. The balance sheet is posted on the website (<http://www.swimofficials.org/memberservices/financialstatements.htm>). The motion carried.

**Old business:** At the Annual Meeting in November, Steve Fedota was tasked with creating a recruitment pamphlet for the Association. He presented a draft of that document for the membership to examine.

**New business:** Elections for the association offices of President Treasurer and Member-at-Large were conducted. Todd Gray, representing the nominating committee, presented a full slate of candidates. Emil Barbato, Bill Bavirsha, Steve Fedota and Nancy Myer were nominees for President. Fred Gafrick was the nominee for Treasurer; and Mike Hutton and Doug Surch were nominees for Member-at-Large. Michelle Witherspoon moved to close nominations and Skip Yates seconded. Michelle Witherspoon, Jim Katula and Dennis Yard were election judges. Thanks to all the candidates for your willingness to serve.

Steve Fedota was elected President, Fred Gafrick was elected Treasurer and Mike Hutton was elected Member-at-Large. Congratulations to them.

ISOA award winners were introduced to the membership by the awards committee. Rookie of the Year is Mike Fosco, Most Improved is Dave Champa, and Official of the Year is Bob Richter. Congratulations to these deserving recipients.

Nancy Myer wished to recognize Irma Gripp's many, varied and long-standing contributions to the sport. A tangible reminder of this dedication is the regular offering of homemade cookies at the State Final Swim Meet. Thank you Irma.

Motion to adjourn was made by Dennis Yard, and seconded by Tom Strunk. The motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 9:25am.

Respectfully submitted,  
Mark Anderson