

Minutes of the Illinois Swimming Official's Association Annual Meeting
Saturday, November 23, 2019, New Trier High School

Call to Order: 8:30, In attendance were President Steve Fedota, Vice-President Todd Gray, Secretary Jim Katula, Treasurer Fred Gafrick, Member-At-Large Mike Hutton along with approximately 30 members of the Association.

Remarks:

Meeting Minutes: It was moved, Tom McGowan, and seconded, Chuck Ytzen, that the meeting minutes from the February meeting be accepted as posted on the ISOA website.

Treasurer's Report: It was moved, Mark Anderson, and seconded, Gerry Cassioppi, that the Treasurer's report be accepted as posted. Nancy Myer asked for totals in the accounts.

Nomination Committee: Vice President and Secretary are up for election in February 2020. Mike Hutton, Skip Yates, and Brian Smith will be the committee.

Awards Committee: Secretary, Nancy Myer and Tom McGowan, Gerry Cassioppi.

Proposed changes to the Constitution. Board decided they should be updated because changes have been made to the running of the organization. Corporation Act now permits email notification of meetings. Changing the document requires an arduous process, sometimes lengthening out to a 3-year process. Some changes have looked at streamlining this process, proxies, and allowing votes to happen online. Nancy Myer raised concerns about the comment period and the inclusion on the email aspect of the comments. Fedota responded letting her know that the officers would share the information and the agreed upon changes would be forwarded to membership. Myer would like to see an opportunity to post to a discussion board. Myer also asked about proxies. The concern is that proxies are "recruited." Myer recommends an "absentee ballot" more than a proxy. Cassioppi reassured with the knowledge that we may be overthinking here. Last year, the election process recognized between 5 and 10 proxies. AC Buehler recommended that we complete this process with these amendments and then worry about the question of the absentee ballots and proxies at a later time. Second reading will be set at the February meeting.

Fedota has mentioned the idea of online payment to create a database of how schools pay the member officials. Noreen, Tom Strunk, and Brian Smith offered to serve on a committee to develop a list.

Gerry Cassioppi's father will be celebrating his 90th birthday. He is asking for people to sign a birthday card for him. His birthday is December 28th.

We have added ties to the store for \$10 each, 2 for \$20.

If there are ideas with imprinted type ISOA materials, please let Steve know.

Adjournment: It was moved, Dennis Yard, and seconded Jim Williams, that the meeting be adjourned at 9:00. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

**Jim Katula
ISOA Secretary**