

Minnesota State High School Swim Coaches Association
True Team Committee Meeting
Tuesday, June 30, 2009
Bloomington, Oak Grove Middle School, 10:00 AM, Door C, Room 601

Minutes:

1. Welcome and Introductions

Present: Rick Ringeisen, Lakeville; Todd Walsh, Bloomington Kennedy; Brian Luke, Stillwater; Art Downey, Edina; Scott Johnson, Edina/Wild Card Chair; Rory Fairbanks, Hutchinson; Nate Linscheid, Visitation/Bloomington Jefferson; Jen Marshall, Farmington; Chris Aarseth, Mpls. Edison; Jeff Sanders, Mpls. South; Jeff Mace Edina; Shannon VanOosterom, Henry Sibley; Mike Steineman, Cretin-Derham Hall; Jim Ertl, Rosemount

2. True Team Dates:

Girls Season True Team Dates for 2009 -2010

True Team Section Meets: October 10, 2009
True Team State Meets: October 17, 2009 @ the University of Minnesota
****For both Girls and Boys**** Class A 1:00 PM Start Class AA 6:00 PM Start
!!!Warm-ups will be one hour prior!!!

Boys Season True Team Dates for 2009 -2010

True Team Section Meets: January 23, 2010
True Team State Meets: January 30, 2010 @ the University of Minnesota
****For both Girls and Boys**** Class A 1:00 PM Start Class AA 6:00 PM Start
!!!Warm-ups will be one hour prior!!!

3. Confirmation of section host schools

- a. Section host school policy: Section schools are encouraged to develop their own rotation of the True Team Section Meet from those schools who are interested in hosting the meet. However, if a rotation cannot be agreed upon the True Team Chairman will intercede and determine a rotation. No school may host a section meet until they have first participated in the MSHSCA True Team.
- b. A list of host schools for the 09-10 year is attached.

4. Section Meet Issues

- a. Host schools should personally contact all the teams in their section and encourage them to attend the True Team Section Meet.
- b. Awards will be mailed to the True Team Section host school. The host is responsible for handling these awards and distributing them at their meet.
- c. Host schools are to be reminded to make sure they are using the correct True Team Scoring in the Hy-Tek Meet Manager Program. Chris Aarseth will be writing up Hy-Tek scoring instructions for the True Team Section Meet host schools.

5. State Meet Issues

- a. Diving: Review last year's 6 dive/11 dive list policy change. The topic once again discussed. The True Team Committee agreed that the opportunity for divers to perform an 11 dive list at the True Team Invitational meets is a great incentive for teams. Therefore the 6 dive/11 dive policy that was implemented last year will remain in effect for this year

- b. At the True Team State Meet- diving coaches must designate whether a diver is doing 6 or 11 dives on their team's official entries. Changes in type of dives can be made ½ hour prior to competition but not the designation of the number of dives.
- c. Coaches of teams participating in the True Team State Meet are to informed in the meet information that due to time constraints that after five dives the field of divers will be cut to the top twenty divers.
- d. True Team State Meet entries 2009-2010. **All diving entries will be online this year.** The normal entry procedure will take place. All teams will be asked to use HYTEK.

6. MSHSCA True Team finances

- a. **Sponsors: Elsmore Aquatics, & Trapper Jim.** Elsmore Aquatics and Trapper Jim have been generous sponsors of the Swimming & Diving True Team. Their monetary sponsorships have and will continue to be used to offset the cost of the True Team awards. They will remain the two premier sponsors of True Team.
- b. The Coaches Association will now be invoicing the teams who participate in the True Team State Meets for their registration fees. This change was made to expedite the process of the Coaches Association being able to pay the awards invoices and to hopefully have more success in collecting meet entry fees from schools.

7. True Team Survey

- a. The survey was distributed by email to all coaches. This was a first run experiment and the feedback was great. It was a pleasant surprise to see such participation and encouraging to know that everyone can have a voice in the progression of True Team.
- b. At the True Team Section Meets this year the host are to survey the participating schools in regard to their opinions about the following two topics:
 - i. Should the True Team continue to provide medals to the top eight individuals and relays or should the True Team award medals to the top three teams in each section?
 - ii. Should the True Team continue to score four relays per school or reduce the number of scoring relays?
 - 1. Note: The above questions and any additional discussion items could be presented the membership via a spring on line google survey to provide information for discussion at next summer's True Team Meeting.

8. Relay Discussion

- a. The issue of the number of relays in the True Team meets was brought up. The topic was first discussed from a philosophical view point. In a round table discussion it was questioned if the True Team should resemble a championship meet where each team is allowed one scoring relay team, should the True Team resemble a dual meet where each team is allowed to have three relays teams entered and only two of those relay teams are allowed to score, or should the True Team remain the same allowing four relays to be entered and score? There was concern that this is why some teams with fewer athletes do not partake in True Team because they cannot fill four relays. After an extended dialogue the consensus was that the ability to swim four relays was an immense factor in favor of participating in True Team. More teams attend True Team because they can enter and swim more athletes rather than not partaking because they cannot field a full lineup.

9. Wild Card Policy

- a. Hy-Tek will be up grading to Meet Manager 3.0, and as a result we have had to slightly alter the wild card policy to read as follows:

- i. Section meet managers must emailed to Scott Johnson the Hy-Tek back up zip file of their meet by 7:00 PM the day of the True Team Section Meet. Scott will contact section meet managers with instructions for submitting their results for the Wild Card births.

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Based upon the results of the True Team Section Meets the Wild card committee will determine which teams will be invited to participate in the True Team State Meet as Wild Card Teams. The Wild Card Committee has the autonomy to fill the True Team State Meets field of teams up to twelve teams in each class.

10. New Business

- a. School districts are now requiring that W-9 IRS forms be completed to issue checks to pay their school's entry fees. All hosts are required to complete this form based on their own individual tax filing.
- b. HY-TEK MEET MANAGER 3.0 Beta was released on June 15, 2009 and production release is scheduled for July 27, 2009. MM 3.0 is offered as a \$229.00 upgrade to HY-TEK Customers who have a license for MEET MANAGER 2.0 or 1.4. If MM 3.0 attempts to open an MM 2.0 database, the database will be automatically converted to the MM 3.0 structure. MM 2.0 versions will not be able to open a MM 3.0 database. The work around for MM 2.0 users is to install the Free MM 3.0 Demo and use the Demo to view the data, create reports, and create needed export files. Once MM 3.0 is released, the HY-TEK Sports Software Demo for MM 3.0 can be downloaded from the HY-TEK web site at: <http://www.hy-tek.com/downloads.html>
- c. The purpose of True Team and the mission was discussed. Some coaches question the True Team agenda. Is the True Team meant to determine the best championship team, the best dual meet team, the best invitational team, or is the True Team to recognize the best team or best program? The coaches association stands behind the True Team and feel that the True Team is based upon the concept that every team member's performance counts. The goal is to get as many athletes and teams involved in the True Team. The True Team concept is set up to recognize the best program from top to bottom.
- d. Jeff Sanders (Minneapolis South) made a motion to provide stipends to the True Team Chair man and the Wild Card Committee in the amount of \$200.00 per season. The motion was seconded by Jen Marshall (Farmington). The question was called and carried by unanimous vote.

11. Next Summers True Team Meeting:

Tuesday, June 29, 2010

Bloomington, Oak Grove Middle School, 10:00 AM, Door C, Room 601

12. Adjourn

- a. The meeting was adjourned at 12:15 PM.

MSHSCA True Team Swimming & Diving 2009-2010 Host Schools:

Girls Class A

Section 1A Northfield, Doug Davis

Section 2A Spring Lake Park, Greg Kugler

Section 3A Hutchinson, Rory Fairbanks
Section 4A Visitation, Nate Linscheid
Section 5A Monticello, Tom Cannon
Section 6A Sartel, Dave Olson
Section 7A Mesabi East, Jon Isaacson
Section 8A Bemidji, Scott “Woody” Leindecker

Girls Class AA

Section 1AA Winona, Steve Burt
Section 2AA Apple Valley, Scott Pearson
Section 3AA Rosemount, Jim Ertl
Section 4AA Centennial, Chip Fechter
Section 5AA Wayzata, Elizabeth Miles
Section 6AA Edina, Jeff Mace
Section 7AA Coon Rapids, Melissa Scalia/Julie Odegard
Section 8AA Maple Grove, Matt Schoen

Boys Class A

Section 1A Austin, Lynn Gulbrandson
Section 2A Fridley, Mark Sielaff
Section 3A Detroit Lakes, Rian Heimark
Section 4A Sartell, Jason Anderson

Boys Class AA

Section 1AA Northfield, Doug Davis
Section 2AA Saint Paul Highland Park, Heather Lendway
Section 3AA Lakeville North, Dan Schneider
Section 4AA Stillwater, Brian Luke
Section 5AA Maple Grove, Ron Jacobsen
Section 6AA Edina, Art Downey
Section 7AA Coon Rapids, Melissa Scalia/Julie Odegard
Section 8AA St. Cloud Tech, Sandy Hanson