BOD Report Executive Secretary January 19, 2021

## **Executive Secretary:**

- Sanctions/Meet Schedules—.MW is sanctioning what is being requested. Through January 31, 2021 we have sanctioned or are in the process of sanctioning 27 meets compared to 38 for that time period last year. Most of the meets were either squad, dual, or closed invites. There are only 2 during that period that have not limited the clubs invited/attending. The number of splashes for September December 2020 was 2227 compared to 5512 for December 2019. Most of those were at the \$3.25 per athlete splash fee. MW is still requesting that masks be worn by everyone at all times except swimmer in the water and that there be no or few spectators. Most host clubs have been able to video the meets.
  - Sanction committee has outlined end-of-season meets to include and 8 & Under Final, a Senior meet, 14 & Under Area meets, and a 14 & Under Championship. Several sites are to be used for the latter two. Those meets with respective qualifying times will be set up soon. Both the senior and 14 & U meets will have secondary or B qual times to try to get the meets to a workable/profitable stage and also allow more athletes to compete. The qualifying times for those meets remains at the 2020 qualifying time.
- MW Website/USA Swimming Info We are trying to include updates from USA Swimming including notes from LSC Leadership meetings (still meeting via Zoom as well as Central Zone meeting too) and anything else the membership needs to be aware of. Jay Chambers has been sending Friday updates as to what is going on with USA Swimming and we are sharing those emails with club head coaches and team leadership.
- High School Season Nebraska High school season started November 16. At this point we have not granted any approval for observations for any 'invites' although we did have one inquiry. There may be few 'invites' this year. Times from the lowa HS Girls have been integrated into MW data. Nebraska is in full swing. Applications for observation for any HS meet being observed (including the conference meets and state meet) must apply for observation. We have the form for Metro completed but we do not have information for River City, Heartland, Greater Nebraska, or State.
- **US Open and Winter 18 & U:** Midwestern had five (5) athletes at the US Open in Des Moines. The Winter 18 & Under meet in Lee's Summit for Region VIII teams had 30 MW athletes in attendance.
- All Stars: .All Star meet did not happen despite several attempts to try to have one. Most LSCs are reluctant to travel. Some states are forbidding their athletes to compete outside of the boundaries of their home state.