

## BOYS/GIRLS SWIMMING/DIVING ADVISORY COMMITTEE

April 10, 2012

The IHSA Swimming/Diving Advisory Committee met at the IHSA Office, Bloomington, Illinois on Tuesday, April 10, 2012, beginning at 10:00 a.m. Committee Members present were: Joe Plack, Official, Deerfield; Luke McGuire, Coach, Oak Park (Fenwick); Cindy Dell, Coach, Lake Forrest H.S.; Paul Rummelhoff, Coach, Chicago (Lane); Others in attendance, Ron McGraw, IHSA Asst. Executive Director; Randy Oberembt, Athletic Director, Winnetka (New Trier); Chris Livatino, Athletic Director, Evanston Twp. H.S.; Mike Hutton, Coordinator of Officials, Lake In The Hills.

### TERMS AND CONDITIONS RECOMMENDATIONS:

#### **1. Item VII-B – State Swim Qualifying Standards**

**Recommendation:** To adopt the following qualifying standards. Sectional Qualifying Standards for the Boy's and Girls State Finals will be determined in the following manner. The Qualifying Standards for each individual swimming event will be calculated by averaging the 30<sup>th</sup> place time from all sectionals. Then that average time will be used to obtain an average of the last FOUR years average times in each event. In relay events the same process will be implemented but the average of the 24<sup>th</sup> sectional place time will be used to make the calculations. Any time calculated to be slower than the existing qualifying time would not be used in that event. The existing time would remain. Using this process, the proposed qualifying standards for the 12-13 seasons are:

#### **BOYS STANDARDS 2013**

200 Medley Relay	1:38.34
200 Free	1:45.39
200 IM	1:58.51
50 Free	21.91
100 Butterfly	52.87
100 Free	48.09
500 Free	4:47.79
200 Free Relay	1:28.01
100 Back	54.18
100 Breast	1:00.83
400 Free Relay	3:14.97

#### **GIRLS STANDARDS 2012**

200 Medley Relay	1:50.40
200 Free	1:55.71
200 IM	2:11.08
50 Free	24.75
100 Butterfly	59.01
100 Free	53.75
500 Free	5:10.85
200 Free Relay	1:39.44
100 Back	59.70
100 Breast	1:08.22
400 Free Relay	3:37.56

**Rationale:** The advisory committee feels that we are on the right track by using this system. We will use a four year average. Other associations and swim organizations use a method similar to the objective method proposed in this system. Using an objective system should be easier to use, easier to defend and provides fair standards for competitors. If necessary in the future, the system is adjustable by using a different average sectional time. The Assistant Executive Director working with the swimming and diving advisory committee has reserved the right to make changes if it is obvious that this would be necessary in order to protect the integrity of the meet. Any time calculated to be slower than the existing qualifying time would not be used in that event. The existing time would remain.

Approved By Consent

### ADVISORY RECOMMENDATIONS:

NONE

## ITEMS OF GENERAL DISCUSSION

- \* Should seeding meetings be eliminated (go to online seeding)
- \* Should the IHSA allow open qualifying for the state finals
- \* Score and medal the state meets through 18<sup>th</sup> place
- \* Require dual confirmation at all sectional meets
- \* Allow fans to enter the pool using the same criteria as teams
- \* Review the IHSA protocol for dual confirmation
- \* Clarify the procedures for making a substitution due to injuries following the sectional seed meeting (see T&C V-H including both notes)
- \* Require all meets be conducted in deep pools regardless of geography of the teams assigned there
- \* Change the state meet schedule to move the second break back to the original schedule (to follow the 500)
- \* Require that coaches submit the names of relay participants to the head table prior to the start of the race
- \* Select sectional diving judges the morning of sectionals instead of at the seed meeting
- \* Swap our diving judges with a neighboring state and in return, send our judges to them
- \* Conduct clinics for IHSA Diving Officials
- \* Add synchronized diving to the IHSA list of events
- \* Allow a failed dive to be called from either side of the pool
- \* Change the oscillation rule to allow for more than 4 oscillations
- \* Conduct regional meets for divers and advance them to sectionals by place rather than points
- \* Use a preset score to qualify divers for the state meet allowing divers to qualify for state at any point in the season. Use the sectional meet as a last chance qualifier.
- \* Require that a diving coach be a member of the Swimming/Diving Advisory Committee
- \* Advisory Meeting date for 2013 will be Tuesday, April 9, 2013.