

**I. Call to Order:** 7:00 pm

**II. Roll Call**

All present expect Ascension, All Saints, OLC

**III. Approve Minutes of 2023 Pre-Season Meeting**

Unanimously approved.

**IV. Reports**

**A. Treasurer:** Justin Busche

1. Justin unable to attend. Financial report circulated in advance of the meeting.

**B. Equipment**

1. Finish line clocks: St. Leonard
  - No issues reported.
2. Chute components: SMI
  - Colored flags are in bad shape. New set of colored flags to be ordered,
3. Signs/Mats: St. Joseph/St. Dennis
  - St. Dennis to order sign for new member St. Odilo.
4. Scoring Hardware: Julie Fulton
  - No issues reported.

**V. Old Business**

**A. Confirmed SPLXC Executive Officers**

- President: Kendall Fulton
- Vice President: Mary Kate Lyons (IC)
- Treasurer: Justin Busche (SSPP)
- Secretary: Lisa Mangelsdorf (JAMES)
- Safety Officers: Diana Crumrine (HT). OLC designated representative

**B. Updated & Confirmed Universal List ([www.s-p-l.org/documents/XC\\_UList\\_2023.pdf](http://www.s-p-l.org/documents/XC_UList_2023.pdf))**

**C. Rules and Events Committee Members:**

- Diana Crumrine (HT), John Darrow (ND), Julie Fulton, John Mulholland (SFX). John Morrissey (LUKE) and Jim Wolf (St. Michaels).
- Note: Executive Officers are standing members of the Rules and Events Committee by virtue of their office.

**D. Webmaster:**

- John Darrow (ND)

**E. Proposed 2024 Meet Dates/Hosts:**

- Meet 1: 9/07 – May Watts – SSPP
- Meet 2: 09/14 – Round Barn – Joe Manhattan / Holy Family / Everest
- Meet 3: 09/21 – Co-Ed Meet – SJA, VIS/IC
- Meet 4: 09/28 – DGSRC – SMG/JOAN – To explore possible new site.
- Meet 5: 10/5 – Championship, Lewis University – PETS/ MIKES

## **VI. New Business**

### **A. SPL Webpage dedicated to SPL Success at IESA State Championship**

- John Darrow gave an overview of great success of SPL at the IESA State Championship Meet, including 3 team champions, 2 individual champions, numerous team podium finishes, and numerous All-State runners.
- Approved development and hosting of an SPL webpage to honor this success.

### **B. Establish a mentor program for new schools**

- John Muholland: suggested this to have a veteran school mentor a new school to the league about the workings of SPL / IESA
- St. Luke volunteered to be a mentor school

### **C. Clarification of Tent Weight Rule**

- Rules currently call for a tent weight of “20 to 40 pounds” for each leg of a 10 x 10 tent.
- Approved clarification to Rules that minimum required weight is 20 pounds for each leg of a 10 x 10 tent.
- John Mulholland to review tent rules for any further changes that may be recommended at the 2024 preseason meeting.

### **D. Hall of Fame Nominations**

- 8<sup>th</sup> Grade SPLXC Champions Automatically Inducted
  1. Abigail Morrissey
  2. Nathan Carroll
- Approved Induction of New SPLXC Record Holders
  1. 6th Grade Girls: Molly Mocko, St. Petronille, 9:03
  2. 7th Grade Boys: Joey McKillop, VIS/IC, 11:07
- Approved Induction of St. Pius Girls Team for winning IESA Class A State Championship
- Approved Induction of Molly Mocko for winning IESA State Meet Individual Class AA Championship

## **VII. Other Business**

### **A. SPLXC Scorer**

- John Mulholland recommended a raise of \$100 per meet to Julie Fulton for all her hard work and great performance as SPLXC scorer.
- Unanimously approved.

### **B. Discussion of SPL Championship Scoring & Awards**

- Extensive discussion of time needed to conduct unique championship meet scoring with ghost runners and multiple divisions. Julie Fulton to map out options for preseason meeting, including possibility of using additional volunteers to begin scoring earlier races as meet progresses. Also discussed handing out top 10 ribbons and shirts at award ceremony while team scoring is being completed.
- Mary Mokena raised questions about division scoring and awards. Recommendation that same team ribbons be handed out at Championship meet that are awarded at regular season meets, which would be consistent with historic practice.
- Positive feedback on value of video finish with bibs.

### **C. Post-Season Google Form Comments**

- Comment was submitted to redraw the finish chute with coral for runners to snake through to keep congestion down.
- To be discussed more at pre-season meeting

### **D. Reverse Gender Order**

2023 SPL Cross Country Post-Season Meeting MINUTES

October 24, 2023 at 7:00 pm

St. Scholastica

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- Kendall Fulton proposed having the girls race first to allow finish line volunteers to get oriented. 5<sup>th</sup> grade boys tend to finish in large pack.
- Agreed to try out next season

**VIII. 2024 Pre- Season Meeting:** Location TBD

**IX. Meeting Adjournment:** 7:50 pm