

I. Call to Order: 7:00 pm

II. Roll Call

III. Approve Minutes of 2024 Pre-Season Meeting

- Minutes were approved

IV. Reports

A. Treasurer: Justin Busche

- We are in a good position financially.
- The dues for 2025 may be impacted by venue costs of Championship meet if held at NW Medicine XC course.

B. Equipment

1. Finish line clocks: St. Leonard
 - No issues reported.
2. Chute components: SMI
 - No issues reported.
3. Signs/Mats: St. Joseph/St. Dennis
 - No issues reported.
4. Scoring Hardware: Julie Fulton
 - No issues reported.
5. AEDs: St. Raphael
 - We now have 2 AEDs, funded by donations.

V. Old Business

A. Confirmed SPLXC Executive Officers

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

B. Updated & Confirmed Universal List (http://www.s-p-l.org/documents/XC_UList_2024.pdf)

- Un-grandfather St. Isidore/St. John the Baptist. Now full members.

C. Rules and Events Committee Members:

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

D. Webmaster:

- John Darrow (ND)

E. Proposed 2025 Meet Dates/Hosts:

- Meet 1: 9/06 @ Bourbonnais (Mary Mokena)
- Meet 2: 9/13 @ Round Barn (Joe Manhattan / Holy Family / Everest)
- Meet 3: 9/20 Co-Ed Meet @ Marmion (TBD)
- Meet 4: 9/27 @ DGSRC (SMG & Joan of Arc)
- Meet 5: 10/4 Championship @ NW Medicine (PETS/ MIKES)

VI. New Business

A. Proposed additions/amendments to Rules & Procedures

- Discussion on team ribbons at meets 1 to 4. Agreed to maintain practice of awarding team ribbons.
- Discussion on distributing individual awards only at the SPL Championship meet, with team awards handed out post-meet.
 - Even with the automatic scoring from the timing company, we were not able to receive the results file fast enough to provide team scores within the time of the coaches race. Every year it is a very stressful and time-consuming task to get the team scores done, and often times results in calculation errors. Additionally, most runners are involved in other sports during the season and do not stay for the team awards. With this proposal, team score will be calculated later in the day, sent out to the coaches, and awards can be picked up after. This will ensure that the scores are accurate/not rushed.
 - After discussion, Julie and Kendall to decide best approach for 2025 season.

B. Hall of Fame Nominations

- 8th Grade SPLXC Champions Automatically Inducted
 1. Jacob McKillop
 2. Natalia Pesola
- Approved Induction of New SPLXC Record Holders
 1. 8th Grade Boys: Jacob McKillop, VIS/IC
- Approved Induction of Visitation / Immaculate Conception Boys Team for winning IESA Class AA State Championship
- Approved Induction of Jacob McKillop and Joseph McKillop for exceptional performance over last four years.
- Approved Induction of Molly Mocko for winning IESA State Meet Individual Class A Championship

C. Incidental/Purposeful Contact During Races

- Greg Kojak: *Discussion was held. Everyone agreed to ensure we teach and coach sportsmanship and also how to educate volunteer officials as coaches.*

VII. Other Business

A. IESA XC Advisory Board

- John Darrow discussed how the IESA Sectionals to which SPL teams are assigned are exceptionally competitive. Recommended that coaches submit recommendation to the IESA for a rule change to increase the number of qualifying teams from three to four. The fourth team would replace the tie-breaker concept (re: if two teams tie at third place before 6th person tie breaker, both teams qualify). John will send out additional detail on recommendation by e-mail.

VIII. 2025 Pre- Season Meeting: Monday, July 28, 2025 , Location TBD

IX. Meeting Adjournment: