

NORTHERN WESTCHESTER SWIMMING CONFERENCE, INC

Monday, May 17, 2004

The meeting took place at the Boys & Girls Clubs of Northern Westchester in Mount Kisco. The following members of the board were in attendance: Barbara Mitchell Cronk and Rose Colonna (Co-Presidents), John Osterhoudt (Treasurer), Monique Grayson (Recording Secretary), Carolyn Johnson (Corresponding Secretary) and John Santos (Officials Liaison).

ATTENDANCE:

The meeting was called to order at 7:17pm. Representatives were asked to sign the attendance sheet. They were also asked to place the "B" meet information sheet and the Club List Update in their appropriate folders.

The following clubs were not represented at the meeting: Bedford Hills, Bedford Village, Birchwood, Pleasantville, Whippoorwill and Windmill.

MINUTES – MARCH 15, 2004:

John Santos (Officials Liaison) made a motion to accept the minutes of March 15, 2004. Bill Koster (Chappaqua) seconded the motion. None opposed. The minutes were accepted as mailed.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

The following teams had not paid their dues as of Saturday, May 15, 2004 at noon: Chappaqua, Lewisboro, Pleasantville, Pocantico Hills, Pound Ridge, Tarry Crest, Windmill and Yorktown. Clubs were reminded that dues (\$675) must be paid by July 1st, 2004.

ROSTERS – DUE SATURDAY, JULY 3:

Rosters are due Saturday, July 3, 2004. Microsoft Word or Excel is preferred.

Municipal pools: swimmers' first and last names, full address, sex, age, and birth date.

Private Clubs: swimmers' first and last names, sex, age and birth date.

Mail rosters to John Osterhoudt at the Briarcliff Manor Recreation Department:

48 Macy Road, Briarcliff Manor, NY 10510

Fax #: 914-941-1467

Phone #: 914-941-6560

Or Mail to: John Osterhoudt: 8 Pleasant Ave., Pleasantville, NY 10570

Or Drop off at Briarcliff Pool at Law Park – Phone: 914-762-6039 (ask for Ostie)

Swimmers' age as of June 1, 2004 will determine the swimmers' eligibility for the whole summer (except for the "Counties" for which the swimmers' age will be as of July 26, 2004).

"B" MEET SCHEDULE:

Carolyn Johnson reported that she received Club Updates from 21 out of 27 clubs but not from Bedford Hills, Bedford Village, Twin Oaks, Waccabuc, Whippoorwill and Windmill.

Carolyn received requests for "B" meets from 20 out of 27 clubs but none from Bedford Hills, Bedford Village, Briarcliff Manor, Twin Oaks, Waccabuc, Whippoorwill and Windmill.

Club Update information sheet and "B" meets requests are **due by June 1, 2004**

Carolyn will make a schedule that will be ready for the June meeting.

- These meets are optional. Swimmers placing 1st-4th in "A" meets are not supposed to swim at the "B" meets, except if they need a meet to qualify for the Championships (Swimmers must swim/dive in 2 sanctioned meets in order to be allowed to swim or dive at the Championships).
- Club list updates and B meets requests must be sent back no later than June 1:
 - Mail to Carolyn Johnson at 129 Croton Ave, Mt. Kisco, NY 10549
 - Email requests to CTJohnson628@aol.com
 - Fax requests to Monique Grayson at 914-923-2340

Carolyn mentioned that this was the best turnout ever! Thanks to all.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE:

Paul Simco (Pound Ridge), of the nominating committee, presented the following slate of officers for a two-year term, commencing June 2004:

President: ---
Vice President: ---
Treasurer: John Osterhoudt (Briarcliff)
Recording Secretary: Monique Grayson (Briarcliff)
Corresponding Secretary: ---
Officials Liaison: John Santos

A long discussion followed.

1. Paul Simco (Pound Ridge) made a motion, that to provide continuity, election of the President, Treasurer, Corresponding Secretary, and Officials Liaison would be held on even years for a 2-year term. Election of the Vice-President and Recording Secretary would be held on odd years for a 2-year term, with the exception of 2004, in which they would be elected for a 1-year term. The Vice-President and Recording Secretary will be elected for a 2-year term in 2005. Carolyn Johnson seconded the motion which was accepted unanimously. **Motion carries.**
2. Monique Grayson (Recording Secretary) made a motion that the elections be held as usual at the May meeting, but that the actual term would begin the following January. The Executive "Past Board" will aid in the transition this summer. Carolyn Johnson seconded the motion which was accepted by all. **Motion carries.**

William Follini (Torview) nominated Michael Panzarino (Torview) for Vice President. Paul Simco seconded the nomination. Mary Lou Herr volunteered to be the new Corresponding Secretary. Laura Polhill (Willowbrook) volunteered to be President. Positions were then switched around at Laura's request, with Michael Panzarino running for President and Laura Polhill for Vice President.

Paul Simco (Pound Ridge), of the nominating committee, presented the following slate of officers:

President: Michael Panzarino (Torview) – 2-year term
Vice President: Laura Polhill (Willowbrook) – 1-year term
Treasurer: John Osterhoudt (Briarcliff) - 2-year term
Recording Secretary: Monique Grayson (Briarcliff) - 1-year term
Corresponding Secretary: Mary Lou Herr (Lakeside) - 2-year term
Officials Liaison: John Santos - 2-year term

Nominees were thanked for agreeing to serve. Paul Simco (Pound Ridge) made a motion to accept the proposed slate. Carolyn Johnson (Mt. Kisco Memorial) seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

At the March meeting, Jim Kennedy, of the Pleasantville Swim Team, proposed to allow a second, non-scoring exhibition heat in the freestyle events for the 10-under and 12-under age groups. The addition of the extra freestyle events in these particular age groups would address a growing need to involve more swimmers in "A" meets, so that they feel more a part of the team. A discussion followed about this and many thought that it should also include the 8-under age group. It would add about 10 minutes to a regular "A" meet. The proposal was tabled until this Meeting since there were not enough teams present at the March meeting. John Santos spoke with his officials and gave us his opinion on the subject.

- Paul Simco seconded the motion that was made in March by Jim Kennedy. Long discussion followed. Vote: Show of hands: all in attendance were against proposal.
- Mary Lou Herr made a motion to add a 2nd, non-scoring heat in the freestyle events, one for the girls and one for the boys in the 8-under, 10-under and 12-under age groups.

These six extra heats will count as an event for the swimmers involved. The extra heats will occur if either team has swimmers for the events. Carolyn Johnson seconded this motion. Vote: 1 opposed – the rest were in favor – **motion carries**.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Dan Levy (Chappaqua) suggested that we add the names of the league's 27 clubs on the back of the All-Star T-shirts. Dan would like to see it done "by division" but this would mean a new screen every year and would be expensive. This will be brought up at the June meeting.
- John Santos reminded all divisions that an announcement must be made at Swimming Championships: If a swimmer can't attend the All-Star meet, the second place winner must be notified so he/she can attend. If 2nd can't attend, then ask 3rd place!
- Members of the Katonah Swim & Dive Team made a motion to change Article IK, section B of the constitution, to allow residents of the Town of Bedford to swim on any of the three Town pools Swim Team, regardless of their residency. (For example, a swimmer/diver that lives in Katonah but desires to swim for the Bedford Hills team could do so). A long discussion followed. Paul Simco reminded all that each of those hamlets have a separate zip code and identity, even though they are all in the Town of Bedford. Therefore, swimmers should swim on their respective swim team. Others mentioned that if a swimmer/diver works for one club (lets say Katonah) but belongs to another (lets say Bedford Village), that swimmer/diver can request time off from work to participate in his/her swim meets. This happens all the time at almost all the clubs.
Vote: 2 voted yes; 16 voted no; **motion was denied**.
- Laura Polhill, of Willowbrook, mentioned that their meet at Yorktown was changed from July 8 to July 15 because of a conflict at the pool in Yorktown.

NEXT MEETING:

The next meeting will take place at the Briarcliff Pool Pavilion at Law Park in Briarcliff Manor on Monday, June 14, 2004 at 7:00pm.

- ❖ Scoring Clinic: one per club should attend @ 6:30pm
- ❖ Coaches Clinic – Reps are asked to attend as well.
- ❖ Championship Clinic – all clubs hosting Swimming or Diving Championships MUST ATTEND THIS CLINIC.

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting adjourned at 8:54pm

***REMINDER TO ALL: Wrap-Up Coaches Meeting/End of Season Meeting:
Thursday, July 29, 2004 @ 7:00pm at Pocantico Hills Pool (coaches and reps)***

Submitted by Monique Grayson
May 19, 2004