## NORTHERN WESTCHESTER SWIMMING CONFERENCE

Wednesday May 21, 2025

## ZOOM Meeting

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**Call to order:** The meeting was called to order at 7:25 by Michael Panzarino, President. Executive Committee members in attendance: Meg Kaplan, Vice-President, Kelly Blacker, Recording Secretary, and Melissa Farella, Corresponding Secretary.

The Board welcomed all to the 2025 NWSC season. We are looking forward to a successful 2025 season. A moment of silence was observed for anyone that was part of our organization that we have lost over the past year.

**1.Attendees:** BG&T, Bedford Hills, Bedford Village, Birchwood, Briarcliff, Chappaqua, Cortlandt, Katonah, Lakeside, Lewisboro, MKMP, Mount Pleasant, MKCC, Ossining, Peekskill, Pleasantville, Pocantico Hills, Pound Ridge, Seven Bridges, Tarrycrest, Torview, Waccabuc, Whippoorwill, Willowbrook, Yorktown.

**2.** Minutes August 1, 2024 – Motion to approve – BG&T, Seconded – Yorktown. Unanimously approved.

**3. Election of Officers** – There were no nominations from the floor. The following slate was presented:

Vice President- Meg Kaplan and Recording Secretary- Kelly Blacker.

Motion to accept - BG&T, seconded - Lakeside; Unanimously approved.

**4. Treasurer's Report** – Delivered by Michael Panzarino on behalf of John Osterhoudt According to our constitution, dues are to be paid two weeks prior to the first meet of the season which is June 26th, 2025. The invoice is on the website. Clubs that have paid as of this meeting: Pound Ridge, Willowbrook, Peekskill, Mount Pleasant, Lewisboro, Cortlandt, BG&T, Ossining, Tarrycrest, Bedford Hills, Bedford Village, Katonah Yorktown and 7 Bridges

**Team rosters** – Rosters are due to John Osterhoudt one week prior to your first meet. **REMINDER:** a swimmer or diver must be officially added to your roster TWO DAYS PRIOR to the meet if you wish them to compete in that meet. This includes B Meets.

If you are just adding a couple of names, you do not have to send an entire new roster. You can just email the changes. John's contact information is on the website. Roster format is on the website under "Forms and Rules".

Age eligibility is determined on July  $1^{st}$ . A swimmer must swim in the appropriate age group based on their age as of 7/1.

**5. Team and Contact information** – Please check this information on the website and send any updates to Melissa Farella, Corresponding Secretary, ASAP. Thanks to Melissa for her work on the schedule as this is a very time-consuming task. It was noted that the Dual Meet schedule was put together based on the survey responses from the pool clubs. Therefore, there should be very few changes. If there are any changes, please inform Mellissa Farella

## 6. Championship Sites & Meets – Championship Sites:

Division 1: Swimming - Katonah

Diving – Yorktown

Division 2: Swimming - TBD

Diving - TBD

Division 3: Swimming – Lewisboro

Diving – Chappaqua

Division 4: Swimming - BG&T & Bedford Villages

Diving – TBD (division 4 a 5)

Division 5: Swimming - Torview

Diving - with Division 4

- As noted, we need a few hosts for Championships. Please let us know as soon as possible if you can host. Division 4 will has two volunteers for Swim championships. They will discuss and decide who will host and inform the NWSC.
- **Reminder**: Hosts of Division Championship Diving need to take their division banner to the Championship Swim meet. Championship Swim hosts need to bring the banners to the All Star Meet.

All Star Diving - July 31st at Lewisboro

All Star Swimming - August 3rd at Briarcliff

7. B Meets: We need more Clubs to host B meets. Please email if you can host.

If you are not going to attend a B Meet that you were scheduled to attend, please let the host Club know.

No jumps for B Dive meets, and no in water assistance for B swim meets.

**8. Dual Meets** – Please follow the constitution for events, relays and be aware of teams that do not have diving. Do not change event distances.

6 & under freestyle will be the first event at Dual Meets. At Championships, 6 & Under freestyle will take place with other freestyle events. 6 & Under freestyle is a scoring event. 8 & Under freestyle relays will be the first event at All Stars.

No Lifeguard suits are allowed to be worn at meets.

Eligibility to swim and/or dive in a dual meet and championships – a swimmer/diver must be a member of the pool club that they are representing. Pursuant to the constitution they must be a bona fide dues paying member of that pool club. This means they must pay membership fees to that Club as well as any swim/dive team fees. Simply attending camp or working at a facility does not make them eligible for the swim/dive team.

**9. Web Site** - Please see the website for the Constitution, Club List, Score Sheets, Diving Sheets, etc. Please email to let us know if you notice anything that needs to be updated. Please remember to print out lane cards, score sheets, and dive sheets (note that there are different dive sheets for B Meets, Dual Meets and championships). Meg Kaplan has agreed to start working on updates to the Constitution over the next year. Please send Mag any suggestions that you have, and they will be brought before the Board for approval.

**10.** Old Business: **Recruiting is prohibited.** This means that a coach, a board member, or a pool director of a NWSC club cannot actively approach individuals with the intention of recruiting them. They cannot email or target specific individuals or groups of individuals to entice them to swim on their Club's team.

**11**. New Business: Donation to WCSO – Motion for the conference to donate \$500 to the WCSO – Pound Ridge, Seconded – Whippoorwill. Unanimously approved.

12. Next meeting: Wednesday June 18, 2025, at 7:00 pm at Briarcliff Pavilion.

Motion to adjourn - Willowbrook, Seconded - Lewisboro. Meeting Adjourned at 7:55.

The minutes of the May 21, 2025, meeting is hereby submitted for approval, Kelly Blacker, Recording Secretary.