

METROPOLITAN SWIMMING, INC

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

February 24, 2002

At Lehman College (Sunday of Senior Mets)

PRESENT: Brittany Boehm, Larry Collins, Barry Roffer, MaryAnn Senecal, Monique Grayson, Scott Bartleson, David Ellinghaus, JoAnn McCaffrey, Todd Trotman, Mary Fleckenstein, Gil Smith, Paul Weir.

EXCUSED: Rich Finkelstein, John McIlhargy, and Brad Roffer

1: CALL TO ORDER, WELCOME, and INTRODUCTIONS:

The meeting came to order at 2:08pm. Larry welcomed all members in attendance.

2: ACCEPTANCE/CORRECTIONS OF MINUTES:

Gil Smith made a motion to accept the minutes of January 10, 2002. Mary Ann Senecal seconded the motion. All in favor. Minutes were accepted as mailed.

3: GENERAL CHAIR: Larry Collins

- Newspaper clippings
- USA-Swimming 2002 membership booklet
- 2002 Phillips Petroleum Company Outstanding Service Award (David Ellinghaus)
- Championship Meet progression: Long discussion on this subject (should we make the JO/Zone Qual meet a true Age Group meet for 14-under swimmers only). Larry suggested that David & Scott prepare a questionnaire to be sent to all clubs.
- Suggestion: Metro Polo shirts (with Metro logo) for all officers and board members.
- Carolyn Johnson never received a plaque for the 1999-2000 Age Group Coach of the year. Barry will get in touch with ASCA. Nominations for 2001-2002 Age Group Coach of the Year (coach of 14-under swimmers) should be sent to Metro Office by May 1st. 2002

4: TREASURER'S REPORT: Mary Ann Senecal

The report was not available at the meeting. We will try to have a current report on investments. Rob Ortof is resigning from Finance Committee.

5: ADMINISTRATIVE VICE CHAIR: Scott Bartleson

- Scott called Eastern Zone Chairperson. Brittany will be an "alternate" for convention.
- Scott asked Todd to have a phone list of officials, and a list of clinics, ready for the May meeting.
- Scott suggested hiring a DJ for big meets to make them more exciting.
- All delinquent reports are now in.

6: OFFICIALS CHAIR: Todd Trotman

- Information about clinics for officials will be posted on the Metro website.
- Scholarship information will be posted on the website as well.
- List of officials will be mailed soon.
- Todd was happy with the large turnout of officials at Senior Mets. He would like to make it mandatory for each official to volunteer at least two sessions at one of our Metropolitan Championship.
- Call area chair or Todd if you need Administrative Clinic.

7: SENIOR CHAIR:

Brad was unable to attend. Senior Mets was well planned.

Barry thanked Gil for his handling of the few problems, and Mary for her great job as an announcer.

Lehman College will let us have the pool for long course Senior Mets. We are still investigating the possibility to use the Nassau County Pool at Eisenhower Park.

8: AGE GROUP CHAIR REPORT:

John McIlhargy was unable to attend.

There were some complaints about the change in order of events at JO's and about the High Point Awards (plaques were not available).

Larry reminds all coaches that they must be responsible to scratch their swimmers if they are entered in too many events (there was a limit of 9 events/ no more than 3 per day).

9: COACHES'REPRESENTATIVE: Gil Smith

Gil wants to write a survey for the coaches. He wants to get coaches email addresses.

10: ATHLETE'S REPRESENTATIVES: Brittany Boehm and Paul Weir

Athletes did not like the "ready room" at Senior Mets (Barry said that the scheduled room was much too cold and was not used). Athletes would like a longer march for the finalist (like marching from and across the bulkhead to the starting blocks). It would be nice to stop to give the awards every two events, and have a bio sheet about the finalists.

Brittany & Paul are still working on the newsletter (could be posted on website).

Election was held at Senior Mets: Christian Robledo, LIAC, won by 2 votes and will be the new Junior Athlete Representative (Starting May 2002).

11: ZONE TEAM COORDINATOR: Barry Roffer

Equipment is set up. Buses have been hired.

Fee for the Zone Team is \$250.00 per swimmer

The qualifying period for all Metro Championship meets is as of February 1, 2001.

12: REGISTRATION COORDINATOR: Barry Roffer

Club Fit is OK.

St. Columba Dolphins ARE NOT A CLUB.

Riverbank still owes money.

13: TECHNICAL PLANNING: David Ellinghaus

Teams that run Metropolitan Championship Meets MUST send the meet information to David, for review, at least 30 days before it is sent out to clubs

- David will contact Dave Ferris about contracting LIAC for the Zone Qualifying meet next year (long-term contract if possible).
- The guidebook is still in review process. All championship meets must be formalized.
- We should look into the Texas Senior Circuit meets for ideas (LC & SC).
- Senior Committee should look at and work on the schedule for 2003 LC season. It should be ready by September 2002.
- Site selection committee?

14: SAFETY COORDINATOR: JoAnn McCaffrey

Nothing is new at this time. Please give dates of classes.

Suggestion for all Coaches: renew in September at the General Meeting and then you'll be OK for the whole year!

Website still needs improvement (By-Laws, Directions to clubs, etc.)

14A: ADAPTED CHAIR: Mary Fleckenstein

No report at this time.

15: SWIM-A-THON:

Rich Finkelstein was unable to attend the meeting. There is nothing special at this time.

16: OLD BUSINESS:

WTC Fund: will be divided equally among the 6 swimmers (as per the December 1, 2001 deadline).

17: NEW BUSINESS:

- Commlink file of Championship meets time standards should be available on the website
- Championship meets: the last team that runs the meet should send a full backup to the next team that will run same meet.
- Records: we need a form to be filled out every time a swimmer sets a new Metro record. The updated list of Metro records should be given out in September to all Metro teams.

Scott Bartleson made a motion to adjourn the meeting. JoAnn McCaffrey seconded the meeting. All were in favor. Meeting adjourned at 3:45pm.

<p>Next Board Meeting: BUDGET – March 12, 2002 at Flushing YMCA 6:30pm (dinner) – 7:00pm (meeting starts)</p>
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Submitted by Monique G. Grayson
March 2, 2002