

METROPOLITAN SWIMMING, INC

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

January 9, 2001

at White Plains YWCA

PRESENT: Cheryl Lynch, Brittany Boehm, Larry Collins, Barry Roffer, MaryAnn Senecal, Monique Grayson, Scott Bartleson, John McIlhargy, David Ellinghaus, Brad Roffer, JoAnn McCaffrey.

EXCUSED: Kerri Going, Bruce Boyd

ABSENT: Rob Ortof, Rich Finkelstein, Mary Fleckenstein

1: CALL TO ORDER, WELCOME, INTRODUCTIONS:

The meeting came to order at 6:15pm. Larry welcomed all members in attendance.

2: ACCEPTANCE/CORRECTIONS OF MINUTES:

David Ellinghaus made a motion to accept the minutes of November 15, 2000. Brad Roffer seconded the motion. All in favor. Minutes were accepted as mailed.

3: GENERAL CHAIR: Larry Collins

Correspondence:

- * Letter from Colorado: Importance of completing a report of occurrence form
- * State of the Sport (by Chuck Wielgus, USA Swimming Executive Director)
- * Open letter from USA Swimming to NCAA President and Athletic Directors.
- * Letter from Carol Burch about a new ad campaign.
- * Letter from Chuck Wielgus about Splash campaign.
- * Letter about "The Million Dollar Challenge" for Olympics in Athens 2004.

Comments:

Larry wants to include the following in the Senior Mets information packet: championship procedure, ready room for athletes, parade of finalists, award ceremony, role of announcer, bio info on athletes.

4: TREASURER'S REPORT: MaryAnn Senecal

MaryAnn gave a copy of her report. She said that we received \$3000 from Nationals for the 10K of last summer.

She suggests that we go to review with two checks that are outstanding since summer Zones.

5: ADMINISTRATIVE VICE CHAIR REPORT: Scott Bartleson

Scott is asking that checks be stapled to the meet reports.

The reports of a few December meets are still to come, but everything else is OK.

6: OFFICIALS:

Bruce Boyd is stepping down immediately as Officials Chairman.

All officials should be available for Sr. Mets in July.

7: SENIOR CHAIR REPORT: Brad Roffer

Brad wants to send a letter to all Officials and Clubs about the policy for senior Mets.

He wants it to be a Championship style meet. We will use athletes' scratch sheets, disqualification report, relay take off cards, coaches evaluation form, lap check off forms for distance events.

8: AGE GROUP CHAIR REPORT: John McIlhargy

We are in pretty good shape for the Winter Zones.

Mac said that some information was missing from the Silver Championship met info at Viking. Corrections will be mailed to all clubs (metro surcharge of \$2, number of events allowed each day, fine of \$50 for unproved times.)
No info on JO's yet. The prelims for all 500 free + the 11-12 500 will take place on Thursday at JO's.

9: COACHES' REPRESENTATIVE:

Kerry was away on her college team training trip.

10: ATHLETES' REPRESENTATIVE: Cheryl Lynch

The athlete's newsletter is done and will be e-mailed to Barry. It will be mailed with the minutes.

11: ZONE TEAM COORDINATOR: Barry Roffer

Metropolitan Swimming is hoping to host the next Eastern Zone Meeting in the area. We are looking for a site.

12: REGISTRATION COORDINATOR: Barry Roffer

4800 athletes have registered. More clubs are coming in.

REMINDER:
NO PERSONAL CHECKS
Coaches: please update your credentials.
2nd year coaches must pass the test in order to re-register.

13: TECHNICAL PLANNING: David Ellinghaus

* JO'S: the prelims for all 500 free + the 11-12 500 will take place on Thursday at JO's. Finals for those events will take place on the regularly scheduled day. All relays will take place in the morning (prelims) sessions.

* Fines for Over-swims: A letter should be sent out to teams that do not pay their fines 30 days after the completion of the meet. Such letter was not sent out last year.

* Wednesday, May 2, 2001: 5:30pm. Technical planning meeting at the White Plains YWCA. We will evaluate how things fell this year, especially Senior Mets and the Sectional Meet. We will decide on dates for next year.

* We are hoping that USA-Swimming will continue with the Top 16 Rankings. Everyone agrees that the new USA-Swimming Web Site is not consumer friendly.

14: SAFETY COORDINATOR:

JoAnn McCaffrey had to attend another meeting at this time.

15: SWIM-A-THON:

rich Finkelstein was not in attendance.

16: ADAPTED AQUATICS:

Mary Fleckenstein was not in attendance.

17: OLD BUSINESS:

* We are still making corrections to the meet manual. We will post it on the Web Site once it's done.

* Reminder: Clubs hosting a championship meet must sign a contract.

* MaryAnn asked what to do about the stipend for a Metropolitan athlete that attended the

Olympic Trials. Athlete has been swimming for Metro since he was a child. Stipend will be given.

* Distance meets allowance: It had been decided at the bid meeting in May that five teams had bid on distance sessions (500 free for 11-12, 400 IM for 13-14, 1650 free for Open). Those 5 teams were each to receive \$1000 from Metro. Checks were given right away.

18: NEW BUSINESS:

Larry mentioned Official National Certification - how do officials become nationally certified.

Brad Roffer made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Scott Bartleson seconded this motion. All in Favor.

Meeting adjourned at 7:09pm

Submitted by Monique G. Grayson
January 13, 2001