

METROPOLITAN SWIMMING, INC.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

Saturday, July 24, 2010

PRESENT: Mary Fleckenstein, Barry Roffer, David Ellinghaus, Bruce Brooks, Corinne Cody, Mike Morrissey, Keith Furey, George Rhein, Frances Warren, Colleen Driscoll, Denise Byrne, Don Wagner, Monique Grayson

ABSENT/EXCUSED: Ray Willie, Jeff Chu, Steve Newman, Larry Collins, Rob Ripp, Edgar Perez, and Rich Finkelstein

1: CALL TO ORDER, WELCOME, and INTRODUCTIONS:

The meeting was called to order at 1:05pm at the Tin Alley Grill in Garden City, NY.

Mary welcomed all and introduced the new members of the board: Colleen Driscoll (Open Water), Bruce Brooks (Officials Chair), Denise Byrne (Disabilities Coordinator), Keith Furey (Co-Age Group Chair). Steve Newman (HOF) and Rob Ripp (Open Water) were unable to attend the meeting.

2: ACCEPTANCE/CORRECTIONS OF MINUTES:

A motion to accept the minutes of the BOD of May 12, 2010, was made, seconded, and approved by all. Minutes were accepted as emailed.

3: GENERAL CHAIR: Mary Fleckenstein

- a) New Club - Westchester Aquatic Club "WEST" - Head Coach, Carle Fierro, was unable to attend due to work. Mary read Carle's presentation to the board. The club will be training at the College of New Rochelle and at Sarah Lawrence College.
- b) Hall of Fame Report - send suggestions and recommendations to Steve Newman as soon as possible.
- c) Coaches' Rep Report - Vote for Age Group Coach to take place at LC Junior Olympics.
 - a. Senior Coach of the Year: 1 nomination: Kevin Storrs of Northern Dutchess Aquatic Club
 - b. Age Group Coach of the Year: 6 nominations:
 - i. Jeffery Chen - La Guardia Aquatic Club
 - ii. Chris Jankowski - BGC. N. Westchester Marlins
 - iii. Ginny Nussbaum - Long Island Aquatic Club
 - iv. Ray Willie - Three Village Swim Club
 - v. Kelly Ullrich - Long Beach Aquatics
 - vi. Jim Wargo - Condors Swim Club
- d) Diversity Report - Mary read Ray Willie's report. Goals for 2010-11 include the following:
 - a. Develop a program to reimburse Outreach Athletes for meet entry fees
 - b. Have all qualified clubs submit applications for all of their eligible swimmers to participate in the National Diversity Select Camp
 - c. Run Diversity Camps in at least three different localities within the LSC
- e) Treasurer's Workshop - Mary attended the very interesting workshop that was held in Minneapolis June 25-26, 2010.
- f) Volunteer Recognition - lapel pin to those active volunteers who have been volunteering at least 10, 20 and 25 years (the pins will be bronze, silver and gold).
- g) Athlete Protection Policy - this was adopted by the Western Zone. Should Metro adopt this as well?
- h) Open Water - we need climate control storage unit(s) for OW material. We will look into this as we could have one near Open Water course, and one near Metro Office.
- i) LEAP - LSC Evaluation Achievement Program. Mary continues the work started by Bob Vializ for the LEAP program.
- j) Thanks - Many thanks to **Ginny Nussbaum** and the **Long Island Aquatic Club** for an outstanding volunteer job running this year's long course Senior Mets Championships at NCAC. They made the meet director's life very easy!

4: TREASURER'S REPORT: Corinne Cody

Corinne presented the report – Budget vs. Actuals. We will be pretty close to budget after the season is over. A motion to accept the treasurer's report as presented was made, seconded, and accepted by all.

5: FINANCE REPORT: George Rhein

- a) George made a motion to purchase a credit card machine to be used by the Metro Office and for Zones. Keith Furey seconded the motion. All were in favor. **Motion carries.**
- b) The clinic to be held by the coaches of teams that receive grants for the Club Excellence Program did not happen. We will try to hold it in early October.
- c) George and Mike Morrissey will work on the Club Excellence Program

6: ADMINISTRATIVE VICE CHAIR: Mike Morrissey

- a) Club Excellence Program (see Finance Report)
- b) Officials training – all meet directors need to take the Officials Admin Test online every 3 years.
- c) Bruce Brooks is working on the National Certification for officials

7: SENIOR CHAIR: Don Wagner

- a) Olympic Training Center Trip to elevate the quality of Senior Swimming – qualifying times will be LC times.
- b) George will include this on the budget that will be presented in September
- c) Long Course Senior Mets – there were very few scratches this year. We must make this meet more competitive even if this means opening it up to other LSC's. We may also go to 10 lanes at night. Athletes' Rep prefers it to be just for Metro Teams. She will check with the other athletes at the meeting in September. Other suggestion would be to reserve the Bonus final to Metro Swimmers only.

8: AGE GROUP CHAIR: Keith Furey

- a) Zone Update – Mary Fleckenstein will be in attendance at LC JO's at Felix Festa for all updates, additions, changes, etc for the long course Zones.
- b) Zone Coaches – Keith has 8 applications from coaches.

9: OPEN WATER: Colleen Driscoll

- a) Expend Open Water Program to Age Group and Senior
- b) Open Water Clinic August 8 at West Neck Beach – Huntington, Long Island – 40 swimmers

10: OLD BUSINESS:

Note on Metro Run Meets – these are our meets and we are all asked to help as much as possible.

11: NEW BUSINESS:

None at this time

NEXT MEETINGS:

- a) Board Meeting – at Convention
- b) House of Delegates meetings (at Lehman College APEX):
 - a) Saturday, September 25, 2010 – Mandatory Meeting for all clubs + at least 1 athlete over the age of 13
 - b) Wednesday, January 12, 2011 – Bid meeting for LC Season (May-August)
 - c) Wednesday, May 11, 2011 – Elections and Bid meeting for SC Season 2011-12

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made, seconded and approved by all. Meeting adjourned at 2:48pm

Submitted by Monique G. Grayson
July 31, 2010