

METROPOLITAN SWIMMING, INC.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

Tuesday, June 7, 2005

PRESENT: Mary Fleckenstein, Barry Roffer, Paul Furbeck, Monique Grayson, Bob Vializ, Corinne Cody, Gil Smith, George Rhein, Rich Finkelstein, Kris Sawicz, Dave Ferris, Holger Fietkau, Anthony Mironov, Sophie Staskiewicz, Mary Ann Senecal and Lenny Galluzzi.

EXCUSED/ABSENT: Bea Hartigan, David Ellinghaus, Carolyn Johnson, Brian Brown and Larry Collins.

1: CALL TO ORDER, WELCOME, and INTRODUCTIONS:

The meeting was called to order at 7:00pm at the Flushing YMCA. Mary welcomed all members in attendance. This meeting was scheduled in order to discuss some important items.

2: DISCUSSION ITEMS:

A. SHORT COURSE JUNIOR OLYMPICS – POOL AVAILABILITY:

Mary confirmed that the Nassau County Aquatic Center at Eisenhower Park will be available for the 2006 Short Course Junior Olympics on February 17-18-19, 2006.

The pool will also be available March 30-April 1, 2006. Therefore Mary will submit a bid to the Eastern Zones for Metro to host the Eastern Zone Short Course All-Star meet.

B. METROPOLITAN SWIMMING CLUB ACHIEVEMENT PROGRAM:

Following the House of Delegates of May 11, 2005, Elizabeth Maresca Ortof sent an email to Pat Hogan at USA-Swimming about her concerns and questions regarding the Metropolitan Swimming Club Achievement Program that was approved at House of Delegates. Pat Hogan and Ira Klein responded with some questions and thoughts about the program.

Mary asked George Rhein to chair a committee (guidelines committee) to establish the guidelines for the Club Achievement Program. Request for 3 or 4 volunteers to serve on the committee was posted on the Metro website. All volunteers must be registered members of Metropolitan Swimming/USA Swimming. George will establish a meeting before the end of June.

The "guidelines" committee will also be charged with establishing the actual committee (grant committee) which will then administer the program.

The board will be in constant contact with USA Swimming. A set of guidelines will be in place before any money is disbursed. We will need receipts and we will need to be sure that clubs that receive money use it only for what they applied for, not for something else. Grants will be awarded strictly to better develop the Swim Teams. The "grant" committee will make sure that the program is done correctly.

C. CONVENTION:

Mary Fleckenstein, Bea Hartigan, Dave Ferris, Gil Smith, Monique Grayson, Mary Ann Senecal, Paul Furbeck, Anthony Mironov and Sophie Staskiewicz will attend the 2005 USA Swimming Convention in Greensboro, NC in September. Mary reviewed the travel arrangements for each member.

D. FUTURE GUIDELINES FOR MEETINGS:

Mary is asking each member to bring a hard copy of their **reports** to future meetings of the Board of Director. Copies should be available for all members in attendance at meetings. The reports may also be emailed to Monique Grayson ahead of time (mggrayson@aol.com).

Email Mary Fleckenstein (mjfleck333@hotmail.com) if items need to be **voted** on or if it's a **discussion issue** that needs to go on the agenda.

E. BUDGET QUESTIONS:

George has received updates from Mary Ann. He handed out the budget for review. It will be emailed to Bea as well. Please review and email George if you have any questions or concerns.

F. GUIDELINES FOR BETTER BUSINESS MANAGEMENT:

George reviewed the Income Tax Report and made comments on some of the items. He will get in touch with the person that prepared the report. George also went over some things that need to be done in order to protect ourselves – cash policy – checks policy – rules for disbursing checks – bank account reconciliation policy – conflict of interest statement – etc.

3: THANK YOU:

Corinne Cody (VAC) and Ann Fosteris (FLY) attended a clinic in Colorado Springs May 28-30, 2005. Corinne thanked the board for this great opportunity and said that both of them will bring back a lot of information to their clubs.

NEXT MEETINGS:

Board of Directors / Budget Meeting: Thursday, July 14, 2005 @ 7pm (after 800 free at Senior Mets) – at Runyon’s Roadside Tavern (2172 Hempstead Turnpike) in East Meadow, Long Island (across from Medical Center).

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by George Rhein and seconded by Gil Smith. All were in favor. Meeting adjourned at 8:30pm.

Submitted by Monique G. Grayson – June 11, 2005