

# **METROPOLITAN SWIMMING, INC**

## **BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING**

Wednesday, November 15, 2000  
at the Flushing YMCA

**PRESENT:** Larry Collins, Barry Roffer, JoAnn McCaffrey, John "Mac" McIlhargy, Cheryl Lynch, Brittany Boehm, MaryAnn Senecal, Monique Grayson, Scott Bartleson.

**EXCUSED:** Kerri Going, David Ellinghaus, Brad Roffer

**ABSENT:** Bruce Boyd

### **1: CALL TO ORDER, WELCOME, INTRODUCTIONS:**

The meeting came to order at 7:30pm. Larry welcomed all members in attendance.

### **2: ACCEPTANCE/CORRECTIONS OF MINUTES:**

Barry Roffer made a motion to accept the minutes of the July 22<sup>nd</sup> meeting. Mac seconded the motion. All in favor. Minutes were accepted as mailed.

### **3: GENERAL CHAIR:** Larry Collins

#### Correspondence:

\* Larry received a letter from Dale Neuberger thanking all general chairpersons for what they did to represent the sport of swimming.

\* He also received the Quarterly Safety letter.

#### Convention:

\* Larry attended the Senior Committee meeting. Those in charge at Headquarters want to change the rule about the number of "relay only" swimmers attending Nationals.

\* Camp Committee: number of camps has gone down. Larry asked Mac to look into this. It could even be a one day camp.

\* Club Development: Club Tool Box. Fill out the form mailed to clubs. The tool box is free the first time you order it.

\* Eastern Zone meeting: Summer Sectionals and Summer Zones will be in Buffalo.

\* Sectional Cuts: are posted on the Metro Site.

\* Outreach: meeting was interesting. Clubs should try to get more minority into sport of swimming. Try to have outreach booth to attract them. Use the USA-Swimming sponsors (Goodyear, Cadillac, Speedo, etc.). Check on the possibility of doing that during the summer and work with Department of City, Parks and Recreation. Anyone interested should contact Larry at: 914-474-4277

\* Safety: Coaches safety program. What to do to certify coaches. Safety forms to be filled out.

\* Senior Mets: make sure that we have a good announcer.

### **4: TREASURER'S REPORT:** MaryAnn Senecal

The current report will be included with the minutes.

### **5: ADMINISTRATIVE VICE CHAIR:** Scott Bartleson

Nothing much to report at this time. Post meet reports are starting to come in. Scott's Zip Code is 10314

### **6: OFFICIALS:**

Bruce Boyd was absent.

**7: SENIOR CHAIR:**

Brad Roffer was excused.

**8: AGE GROUP CHAIR:** John "Mac" McIlhargy

Mac attended the Convention. He said that USA-Swimming wanted to get rid of awards for Top 16. Attendance did not agree to that!

Mac said Clubs should get the "Tool Box"

Mac's new e-mail & phone # jrm@thomasamerica.com 518-434-3825
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**9: COACHES' REPRESENTATIVE:** Kerri Going

Kerri was not able to attend but send an email about what she wanted to say:

"I thought about the idea Larry suggested about a Coaches Forum. I thought it would be interesting to do a Q & A type of format during lunch (possibly at Senior Mets or JO's) for all coaches that want to participate. They would go up and pick a question out of a hat. That coach can choose to answer that question or pass it to the group. We can rotate until all the questions are answered. Each coach that participates needs to submit at least one question. Sample questions: \* Should you taper 10 & unders? \* How much yardage should an 11 year old girl do? \* How do you handle repeating shoulder injuries? \* How long should a taper be?"

Kerri's new e-mail address: CoachKerri@aol.com
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**10: ATHLETES REPRESENTATIVES:** Cheryl Lynch & Brittany Boehm  
Their newsletter about the convention will be included with the minutes.

**11: ZONE TEAM COORDINATOR:** Barry Roffer

The hotel for winter Zones 2001 will be the same as in 2000 (Marriott in Greenbelt, Maryland). The food should be adapted more to the needs of swimmers.

**12: REGISTRATION COORDINATOR:** Barry Roffer

Registrations are slow to come in. As of today, 17 clubs, 4 families, 61 non athletes and 576 athletes were registered.

\*Coaches must include **proofs of their certifications**.

**\*NO PERSONAL CHECKS**, please.

\***Second year coaches** must have pass the test and received results from USA-Swimming in order to be able to re-register for their second year.

Cards must be worn by coaches and meet directors must check the cards.
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**13: TECHNICAL PLANNING:** David Ellinghaus

David was unable to attend but gave Monique a note about JO's.

"We discussed having Prelims for all 500's, as well as the 11-12 500 Free (timed Final), on Thursday night. This is to help keep the meet manageable.

Also, should we consider swimming the 400 IM prelims on Thursday, as well?

\* It would count as one of the three events on the normally scheduled day. Finals of those

events would be held on their originally scheduled spot"

There was a discussion about this. Scott Bartleson volunteered to call Kip to see if the pool would be available on Thursday evening of JO's.

**14: SAFETY COORDINATOR REPORT:** JoAnn McCaffrey

JoAnn said that meet injuries are under control. She also mentioned that there are lots of injuries happening at practice. Those must also be reported. There is a booklet with forms for safety chair of each club. Reports must be maintained on files until swimmer is 21 years old!

**15: SWIM-A-THON:**

Richard Finkelstein (FLY) has accepted to be the Swim -A-Thon new chairman.

**16: ADAPTED AQUATICS:**

Mary Finkelstein will be asked to fill the position.

**17: OLD BUSINESS:**

a) **Metro Manual:** please make corrections and additions. Fax all to JoAnn McCaffrey at (845) 621-2953. MaryAnn showed an old manual from Florida, that could be a basis to our own manual.

b) **Web Page:** There has been lots of problems of communication, but MaryAnn recommends that we keep the same web-master for another year. We must be able to let him know exactly what we like and what we don't like.

c) **Metro Pin:** discussion: what kind of pin, how many, when to sell it, etc.

d) **OVC's:** At convention, they said there would be no more OVC's! There will be a new program. It would be for US Open and Nationals only.

**18: NEW BUSINESS:**

a) JoAnn made a motion that we raise the mileage reimbursement to 32 cents/mile as of the next Board meeting. Scott Bartleson seconded the motion. All in favor.

b) Dates of meetings (2001):

\* January 10: \* **Board of Directors** meeting at 5:30pm at White Plains YWCA

\* **House of Delegates** meeting at 7:30pm at White Plains YWCA

\* February 17: **Board of Directors** meeting in between sessions on Saturday or Sunday at Senior Mets.

\* Tuesday, March 13: **Board of Directors** meeting at 7:30pm at Flushing YMCA

\* Tuesday, April 17: **Board of Directors** meeting at 7:30pm at White Plains YWCA.

\* Saturday, May 19: **House of Delegates** meeting at 8:00am at White Plains Y.

The December "TROTS FINMEN" meet is canceled because the pool is down.
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The meeting adjourned at 8:50pm

Submitted by Monique G. Grayson  
November 25, 2000