

**Metropolitan Swimming
Technical Planning Meeting
March 28,2017
White Plains YWCA 6:30 pm**

1. **Attendance:** Stella Meyerhoeffer (athlete), David Ellinghaus, John Collins, Eric Fisher, Dom Boccio, Edgar Perez, Jeff Ely, John Yearwood, Brian Hansbury, Mary Fleckenstein.

2. **Senior Met discussion:** John Collins spoke about changes to the Senior Met meet to make the meet better and encourage teams to treat it seriously. Would like to see teams not treat it as a prep meet. It was a fast meet with good swimmers. Other teams need to show up and take seriously.
 - a) Maybe a different date, later in season or in December.
 - b) Alternate Lehman and NCAC to make traveling equitable

3. **2018 Championship Dates** were discussed in length. Consensus was the schedule below best meets the needs of Metro swimmers
 - Senior Met Championships** – Friday, February 16-Monday, February 19, 2018
 - Silver Championships** – Friday, February 23 – Sunday, February 25, 2018
 - 8 & under Championships** – Saturday, March 3 – Sunday, March 4, 2018
 - Junior Olympics** – Friday, March 9 – Sunday, March 11, 2018
 - Age Group Challenge** – Friday, March 9 – Sunday, March 11, 2018
 - Bronze Championship** – Friday, March 23- Sunday, March 25, 2018

4. **Senior Mets** – Remain scoring 2 heats – 3rd heat limit to 18 under
 - Relays – Score 1 or 2 – tabled for Senior Committee to discuss

5. **Junior Olympics** – working on changing order of events to even out the meet

6. **Bronze Championships** – working on NCAC to have 1 site to give the Bronze swimmers a true championship meet. Central historically has no host, puts burden on other 2 areas. If NCAC is available – we will open bid as 1 site rather than 3. Discussion also on whether or not to remove non award designation in results.

** Bids will be open to North, Central, South as NCAC is not available for the weekend

7. **8 & under Championships** – recommendations of the committee:
 - a. No High Point Awards to be given – takes away the spirit of the meet
 - b. No meet mobile – gives host a chance to get correct times – tough with 8 & unders
 - c. Proof of times for 100's
 - d. Limit the youngest swimmer to age 6
 - e. Team Spirit – discussion on whether to continue – no decision was made

8. **Alignment** – The committee look at the numbers for each area – North, Central and South. The only adjustment made at this time was to move Nu-Finmen to South and Swim Tech will join central. The committee acknowledges that some teams are closer to a different area, but no matter where you draw the alignments, that will happen. Alignments will be revisited before the start of the 2017 -2018 season if additional adjustments need to be made.

9. **Meet Bid applications** – Reminder that any team that is bidding for a meet for 2017 – 2018 must have a minimum of 4 officials affiliated with their team – a meet referee, a starter and 2 stroke and turn judges. Teams that do not meet this minimum number will not be granted a sanction. The requirement for referee and starter shall be waived if the club has recruited at least three (3) new stroke and turn officials within the preceding year. New meaning officials that have never been registered in Metro.
Bid information and the new bid application will be going out soon.

Meeting adjourned 7:58 pm