NORTHERN WESTCHESTER SWIMMING CONFERENCE, INC Thursday, July 28, 2005

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The Representatives and Coaches "Wrap-Up Meeting" was held at the Pocantico Hills Pool in Sleepy Hollow. Due to thunder storms on Wednesday, the All-Star Diving meet was postponed to Friday.

The following members of the Board were present at the meeting: Michael Panzarino (President), Carolyn Johnson (Corresponding Secretary), Monique Grayson (Recording Secretary), Bea Rhodes (Vice-President elect), and Patty Kelly (Recording Secretary elect). John Santos (Officials Liaison) was present as well. John Osterhoudt was unable to attend the meeting.

1: ATTENDANCE:

The meeting came to order at 7:15pm. Members were asked to sign in. Twenty One of 27 teams were represented at the meeting. The following clubs were not represented: Bedford G&T, Bedford Village, Briarcliff, Mount Kisco Country Club, Seven Bridges, and Tarrycrest. Michael Panzarino welcomed everyone and introduced the members of the board.

2: CORRECTIONS/ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES:

Paul Simco (Pound Ridge) made a motion to accept the minutes of June 21, 2005. John Santos (Official Liaison) seconded the motion. All were in favor. Minutes were accepted as mailed.

3: TREASURER'S REPORT:

John Osterhoudt was unable to attend the meeting. All dues have been paid. Checks will be sent to the officials.

Plates for plaques will be mailed the each club's representative unless noted otherwise. Teams that were dual meets champions will get a plate for dual meet championships.

4: DUAL MEETS RESULTS:

Congratulations to all teams that won their division:

	Div. I	Div. II	Div. III	Div. IV	Div. V
Up	Willowbrook	* A. L. Ehrman	* Lakeside	Twin Oaks	Bedford Vil.
		* Katonah	* Torview		
Down	Briarcliff	Peekskill	Pocantico Hills	Bedford Hills	Bedford G & T

- If there is a tie in a division, then a team's place in the Championships will determine whether the team moves up or down the following year. As of 1996, if there is a tie, both teams will receive a division championship plate for their plaque.
- We will know after the championships if ALE or Katonah will move to Division I and whether Lakeside or Torview moves up to Division II.
- A motion to have the decision based strictly on the dual meet results in the case of a twoway tie (head to head meet winner would prevail) was tabled until March.

5: SIGN UP SHEET FOR CHAMPIONSHIP SITES 2006:

A sheet was passed around for clubs wanting to host the Diving & Swimming Championship meets of 2006.

6: PROPOSED SCHEDULE OF MEETS FOR 2006:

Dual A Meets: Saturdays: July 8, 15, 22, 29

Tuesdays: July 11, 18, 25

B Swimming: Mondays, July 10, 17, 24 + July 31

B Diving: Wednesdays, July 12, 19, 26

Diving Championship: Wednesday, August 2

Diving All-Star: Thursday, August 3

Swimming Championships: Saturday, August 5

Swimming All-Star: Sunday, August 6

Counties: Diving: July 31-August 1 Swimming: August 7-10

It was reminded that meets are not to be cancelled if it rains or if it's cold! The only reasons to cancel a meet are lightning or an obvious problem with the pool. Cancelled meets are to be made up on the next Thursday.

Dan Levy (Chappaqua) made a motion to accept the proposed schedule for 2006. Carolyn Johnson (Mount Kisco Memorial) seconded the motion – Vote: 3 opposed – others in favor.

Proposed schedule is accepted.

Question about "B" meets rescheduling: It is the host team's job to try to reschedule "B" meets. Tammy Neubauer (Birchwood) made a motion to add an extra "B" swim meet on July 31. Kelly Blacker (Willowbrook) seconded the motion. Vote resulted in 20 yes and 1 no. Meet has been added. **Motion passed**. Reminder: teams may sign up for 1 or more days of "B" meets.

7: MEETING DATES FOR 2006:

January: Executive Committee meeting

March: Tuesday, March 21, 2006 - (Snow date March 27, 2006)

May: Monday, May 22, 2006 June: Tuesday, June 20, 2006

August: Wrap-up meeting: August 3, 2006 (after Diving All-Star Meet)

8: OFFICIALS:

- Timetable for officials: for weekdays (5pm) and weekend meets (9am) which is ½ hour before the start of the meet (5:30pm and 9:30am). Coaches may call officials the day before to make sure that official will be there.
- Diving sheets must be in at least 10 minutes before start of meet. Paul Simco (Pound Ridge) made a motion to get the diving sheets in 15 minutes before the start of the meet instead of 10 minutes. Greg Sims (A.L.E.) seconded the motion. All in favor. **Motion carries.**
- Rating cards: John received about 15 out of 93 meets. Coaches must fill out the cards so we know what's going on.
- John Santos reminded coaches that when a diver is on the board, coaches must not say anything to the diver or he/she will be disqualified.
- All those rules need to be pointed out to coaches at the Coaches Clinics

Reminder that host of championship meets must make six copies of results: one for each team and one for NWSC president. They must be given out at All-Star meet.

Coaches will receive their All-Star meet T-shirts after we give them to all swimmers and divers.

9: OLD BUSINESS:

• Willowbrook has decided not to pursue the option of splitting their team into two teams.

10: NEW BUSINESS:

- Start times for weekdays and Saturdays meets: we now have the possibility of having 3 divers per age group and of having exhibition heats in the freestyle events. Monique Grayson (Recording Secretary) made a motion to change the Saturday meets warm-up by moving it ½ hour early as follows: 8:15am diving warm-up; 8:30am swimming warm-up; 9:00am meet starts. The Tuesday meets warm-up and start times would remain unchanged. Leslie Bornstein (Town of Cortlandt) seconded the motion. Vote resulted in 3 opposed and 16 in favor. **Motion carries**.
- <u>Number of events at meets</u>: Jay O'Meara (Lewisboro) made a motion to change the swimmer's entry limit for dual meets as follows: Swimmer/diver may participate in a maximum of 4 events, one of which must be a relay (Example: 3 individual events and 1 relay, or 2 individual events and 2 relays). John Santos seconded the motion. Vote: unanimous. **Motion carries**.
- <u>Conduct, Sportsmanship, Home and Visiting responsibilities</u>: suggestions to teams: have umbrellas or tent for scoring table; offer water to timers, officials, score keepers; bring extra score sheets, stop watches, clipboards, diving calculator, time cards, etc just to be prepared and to help other team if needed (have a home box of supplies and a traveling box of supplies). BE PATIENT if waiting for scores. Bring a roster for the score keepers: it helps with the spelling of names.). Run down sheets of officials worked well this year.
- <u>Scoring</u>: We also ask teams and score keepers not to run up the scores so the difference between the two teams' scores is not too big! (The scoring clinic in June should mention this. Suggestion: Run a scoring clinic at the May meeting in addition to the one at the June meeting. How to score at dual meets and at championships.
- <u>Sportsmanship</u>: Coaches and parents must stress the fact that these are summer meets and that there are multi levels of swimmers/divers ability. They must use the right words to motivate their team. No taunting is allowed be very careful of what is said!
- <u>Meet results</u>: reminder: scoring must be emailed to Monique Grayson for posting on website AND to the Division Chairperson.
- <u>Diving at dual meets</u>: Three divers are allowed to dive in each age group at dual meets mutual consent is not needed. Shayne Morris (Birchwood) made a motion to increase the warm-up time for divers from 15 minutes to ½ hour. Laura Polhill (Willowbrook) seconded the motion. Vote: 1 no rest in favor **motion carries**. New warm-up for divers will be at 4:30pm (weekday meets) and 8:00am (weekend meets).

11: NEXT MEETING:

The next meeting will take place on Tuesday, March 21, 2006 - Site TBA

12: ADJOURNMENT:

Carolyn Johnson (Mt Kisco Memorial) made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:36pm. Jay O'Meara (Lewisboro) seconded the motion which was accepted by all.

Submitted by Monique G. Grayson August 8, 2005