# NORTHERN WESTCHESTER SWIMMING CONFERENCE Tuesday, March 24, 2009

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Michael Panzarino, President, welcomed everyone to the meeting at 7:10 p.m. at Briarcliff Rec. Center.

**ATTENDANCE**: All clubs were in attendance except: Bedford Golf, Lewisboro, and Tarrycrest.

**MINUTES**: Kelly Blacker made a motion that the minutes of the July 31, 2008 meeting be accepted as is; Bea Rhodes seconded. Minutes were approved unanimously.

#### TREASURER'S REPORT:

- John Osterhoudt reported that club dues of \$725.00 are due no later than June 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2 weeks prior to the first meet. Carolyn will e-mail the dues form to all clubs. Rosters are due by June 30<sup>th</sup>. Both can be sent to John Osterhoudt by e-mail, U.S. mail, or fax. (All available on NWSC website.)
- John got bids from 3 vendors for our ribbons and medals. One company's price
  was \$270.00 less than our current vendor, but after much discussion regarding
  the lowest bidder not always having the best quality, the following was brought to
  a vote

PROPOSAL (by Betsy Matheney): Stay with the current vendor for ribbons and medals, because quality and service has always been acceptable. Carolyn Johnson seconded the proposal. The proposal was voted on and accepted unanimously.

**ELECTIONS**: No one volunteered to head the Nominating Committee, but we are still looking for someone. The positions of Vice President and Recording Secretary held by Bea Rhodes and Patty Kelly, respectively, will be open. Neither seeks re-election, but both spoke of how neither position requires a great deal of time. Michael Panzarino reminded everyone that this is an organization of volunteers and that we are all working for the benefit of our children. It is important to get volunteers to fill these positions.

### **MEET SCHEDULE**

Carolyn Johnson prepared a tentative schedule for the meets, and much discussion ensued regarding changes that needed to be made. Carolyn will work on revising these and getting a new schedule out to everyone via e-mail and posted on the website. Michael thanked Carolyn for all of her hard work on this task.

#### **CHAMPIONSHIP and ALL-STAR SITES**

Briarcliff has agreed to host All-Star Swimming and Pocantico will host All-Star Diving. We are seeking volunteer clubs to host the championship meets, but please be aware that your club needs ample parking. Please check with your pool if you may be able to host one of these meets and let the Board know as soon as possible if you can.

**B MEETS**: Bea Rhodes asked for volunteer clubs to host B Meets. A sign-up sheet will be available at the next meeting. Dates of B Meets are posted on the website. She reminded everyone that it is a serious commitment both to host and participate, and if you make the commitment to attend, please do so.

#### **OLD BUSINESS:**

The Constitution will be posted on the website after the June meeting, when most changes occur. The changes will be made and posted in red, with the dates of changes indicated.

Jobs are listed on the website. Currently Bedford and Lakeside have coaching openings. Mount Kisco Country Club is looking for a Swim Coach and Pool Director. Carolyn Johnson has a resume from a college student looking for summer work. If you have listed a job and the position is filled, please contact us so it can be removed from the website promptly.

# **NEW BUSINESS:**

- An email was sent to Michael Panzarino from Paul McClintock, President of the Westchester County Swimming Association (Counties) and Officials Representation for the Westchester County Swim Conference (Southern Westchester) pertaining to the use of "Technical Swimsuits" at summer meets. An email will be sent to everyone regarding the wording of this issue. Once we have heard from everyone who would like to respond, a draft copy of our proposal will be sent back for their review. We hope to have this issue settled by our May meeting.
- In summer swimming, it is important that the rules and regulations are followed by all swimmers, coaches, and officials in every meet. Swimmers should be disqualified if it is warranted, but telling the swimmer may be handled by the coach, rather than the official. If the coach wants to do this, s/he needs to let the official know right away. B Meets are scheduled for swimmers who are not yet ready for A meets, and there are no disqualifications at them.

**NEXT MEETING**: Tuesday, May 19, 2009 at the Bedford Hills Community House. Directions will be available on the website.

## **ADJOURNMENT**:

Carolyn Johnson motioned to adjourn the meeting, which was seconded by Bea Rhodes. The meeting was adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by Patty Kelly, Recording Secretary March 25, 2009