NORTHERN WESTCHESTER SWIMMING CONFERENCE

Thursday July 31, 2014

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Call to order: The meeting was called to order at 7:08 by Michael Panzarino, President. Executive Committee members in attendance: Meg Kaplan, John Osterhoudt, Carolyn Johnson, and Kelly Blacker

- **1. Attendees:** Bedford Hills, Bedford Village, Birchwood, Briarcliff, Chappaqua, Cortlandt, Katonah, Lakeside, Lewisboro, MKCC, MKMP, Mount Pleasant, North Castle (NCPT), Ossining, Peekskill, Pleasantville, Pocantico Hills, Pound Ridge, Seven Bridges, Tarrycrest, Torview, Waccabuc, Whippoorwill, Willowbrook, Windmill, Yorktown. **Absent:** BG&T
- **2. Minutes of the June 12, 2014 Meeting:** Motion to accept Bedford Hills, Seconded Bedford Village. Unanimously approved.
- **3. Treasurer's Report:** John Osterhoudt reported that all dues were paid and rosters were submitted timely. Thanks to all for following the rules. Plates will be processed after the results of championships. John will give plates to the clubs at the May meeting. Please check to see if you will need a new plaque and let John know.

4. Dual Meet Results as of 7/30/2014:

	Division I	Division II	Division III	Division IV	Division V
Up	Willowbrook	Cortlandt	Lakeside	Bedford Hills	BG& T
Down	Katonah**	Pleasantville	North Castle	Whippoorwill	
	** moves down based on head to head competition in dual meet				

5. Attendance, B Meets, rosters, dues payments, emails from parents, sportsmanship, and diving: During the year there are three meetings of the Northern Westchester Swim Conference, one meeting in May, one in June and the wrap-up meeting. It is mandatory for a representative from your club to attend each of these meetings.

If a B Meet is cancelled due to weather, do your best to reschedule however it is not mandatory to reschedule.

Jumps are not allowed at a B Dive Meet. Each diver must be able to perform an approach, a hurtle and two dives.

Pound Ridge proposed a **motion**: To add one dive at B Dive Meets so that the total number of dives performed by a diver would be three, one of which can be the same dive. Motion was

seconded by Cortlandt. Motion did not pass.

Question was asked if it is allowed for a coach or another swimmer to be in the same lane with a swimmer during a B Meet. The Constitution says that B Meets follow same rules as the Dual Meets therefore it is not allowed for anyone to swim alongside a swimmer participating in a B Meet. It was noted that there is an exception for a swimmer with a disability. Also if there is an extra lane at a pool club that is not a legal lane, no one should be allowed to swim in these lanes during any meet.

When a pool club has ladders that stick out in the lanes, for safety, it would be great if they could be covered in some way, possibly with a rescue tube to prevent swimmers from injury.

When submitting rosters pool clubs should be following the constitution. If a swimmer is on the roster than that means that they have paid their dues and are a member in good standing at that particular club. The Northern Westchester Swim Conference uses the honor system with regard to rosters. It is the responsibility of the coaches and the parent representatives to make sure that all members on a roster are following the rules as stated in the Constitution. Clubs are allowed to look at another Club's roster, which John Osterhoudt has on file.

When issues and concerns arise it must be presented to the board from either the coach or parent representative. The board should not receive emails from parents. If a coach has an issue with an official they need to contact Meg Kaplan and not the Official's Liaison.

If there are any issues regarding sportsmanship they need to be directed to Meg Kaplan. We all need to do our best that to encourage a positive and fun summer swimming environment.

No swimmer or diver should be displaying logos of a team other than their summer team.

For rules regarding the number of divers in 4 lane and 6 lane pools please see the Constitution. Also, any diver that is diving exhibition must be identified prior to the beginning of the event.

Our rules are based on the State High School rules. If you cannot find a specific rule in our Constitution then check the High School rules. If you need an interpretation of the rules please contact Meg Kaplan.

6. Schedule of Meets for 2015: Proposed dates:

Dual Meets: July 2, 7, 9, 11, 14, 16, 18, 21, 23, 25.

B Swim Meets: July 6, 13, 20. B Dive Meets: July 8, 15, 22.

Dive Championships: July 29, All Star Diving: July 30.

Swimming Championships: August 1, All Star Swimming: August 2.

Please email Carolyn Johnson by January 2, 2015 if you cannot have a meet on any of the Dual Meet dates.

Motion to accept – MKMP, Seconded – Katonah. Unanimously approved.

7. Championship and All-Star Sites for 2015. Signup sheet with the guidelines for hosting the meet was passed around. There are still some openings. Please go back to your facilities and see

if you can help us fill these openings.

8. Meeting Dates for 2015:

- a) January/February: Executive Committee Meeting
- b) May: Monday May 11, 2015 or Tuesday May 12, 2015
- c) Coaches & Reps: Wednesday June 17, 2015 or Thursday June 18, 2015
- d) Wrap-up: July 30, 2015 (After All Star Diving Meet)
- **9. Old Business Report on Swim Across America**: Chappaqua Pool and Tennis reported that their event was a huge success. They raised \$40,427 by team donations and a raffle. Bobby Hackett held a swim clinic at the conclusion of the event.
- **10. New Business**: Chappaqua Pool and Tennis proposed the following **Motion**: Teams that have diving will not score diving points against teams with no diving. The team that has divers may dive exhibition and it would count as an event for the divers and it would also count toward championships. Seconded Ossining.

Motion did not pass.

The question was asked whether we can start with freestyle rather than backstroke in a dual meet. The Constitution clearly states the order of events and this must be followed. It was also noted that the visiting team should select the lanes that they prefer to swim in during the meet.

Bedford Village proposed the following **Motion**: To have 6 and Under Freestyle score points in Dual Meets. Seconded – Cortlandt. **Motion passed.**

11. Next Meeting: Monday May 11, 2015 or Tuesday May 12, 2015

12. Adjournment: Motion – Poundridge, Seconded – MKMP. Meeting Adjourned 8:25.

The minutes of the July 31, 2014 meeting are hereby submitted for approval, Kelly Blacker, Recording Secretary.