

SUBURBAN AQUATIC LEAGUE MEETING MINUTES, SEPTEMBER 16, 2003

Chairman McMillan commenced the mtg. at 7:10 pm.

Chrmn McMillin addressed the lack of attendance at the Spring mtg. Teams are obligated to send representatives to that meeting.

Chrmn McMillin called the roll and established that there was a quorum.

Chrmn McMillin introduced the various League officers and officials.

Mike Dunn, girls registrar, spoke on behalf of all the registrars (girls, boys, and diving) mentioning the importance of the 10-day rule for add-ons during the season and the importance of having divers on the general roster that is submitted to the registrars at the Coaches' Meeting in October.

Rosters are to be submitted separately: boys, girls, divers.

Names must be consistent during the season. Birth dates are necessary for all athletes. Teams must also be consistent with the use of their own team designations. Example: UDAC must always be UDAC and not UDAC MA or U. D. A. C.

One person in each club should manage the database to insure consistency.

Divers must be listed in the meet results that are submitted to the registrars.

Meets must have names. Example: UDAC vs. PWAC.

Treasurer's report will be forthcoming. Some teams still owe dues from last season.

Webmaster Brown spoke about providing contacts for teams. Download the form from the SAL website. Update with the webmaster as necessary. This list is important for various League functions and communications thereof.

Age up dates are important. Change them in the templates for meets.

Meet results come to registrars as a meet manager export file. HTML format report is used for submission of results to Webmaster Brown for posting on the website.

Meet results are to be submitted via email by MONDAY following the meet. If there is a problem with submission, the proper registrar must be contacted by phone with an explanation of the situation.

Pete Crippen spoke about the use of Team Manager. There are clinics available for using TM, Meet Manager, and Business Manager.

Pete Crippen spoke about League Championships which will probably be at LaSalle on 2/7/04, Swimming on Sat. and Diving on Sunday, Boys in the am and Girls in the pm. Entries for these meets must be in to Pete Crippen by noon on the Sunday prior to the seeding mtg.

Jamie Forlini, scheduling chairperson, informed the group that teams are arranged to swim their best meets at the end of the season. Kudos to Jaimie for that.

Jim Davidson, diving president, announced that all diving coaches must attend the October coaches mtg. All teams are responsible for their own insurance and must present proof of same at the mtg. Teams must be insured to compete. Diving Last Chance Meet will be on the same weekend as the UMAC Last Chance Meet (Diving on Sunday).

Judging clinics will be announced.

Officials clinics posted on the web. Rule books available. Chairman McMillin strongly recommended that starter-refs refresh themselves on the rules through a current clinic.

Karen Palumbo should be consulted regarding Senior Awards.

Mark McElwee should be informed regarding anyone to be considered for the Hall of Fame. Pete Crippen suggested recognizing high-achieving athletes in the Hall. Mark McElwee agreed that honoring swimmers/divers would not be a bad idea at all and will work on creating a separate recognition portion of the Hall of Fame for athletes. The League should benefit from these athletes' accomplishments since SAL is where many of them began their careers. The athletes deserve recognition as well.

Team Hotline is still available. The SAL provides this service. Contact Len Rose.

Chrmn McMillin, under OLD BUSINESS, addressed the election of officers. THIS IS CHRNMN MCMILLAN'S LAST YEAR. He needs a replacement. There is still no official League secretary. Tom McManus will step up to be Boys Div Pres. North Division Rep will be Andrew Jesaitis, NPAC. He will also apprentice to Webmaster Mike Brown. Pete Crippen strongly suggested that someone should apprentice to him for championships.

Communication of meet results was discussed and a motion passed (21-11) that teams be fined \$50, \$100, and then not have times count for champs for a 1st, 2nd, and 3rd failure to submit times on time. Money would go to the general fund. Monday midnight is the submission deadline for results.

Dual meet scoring was discussed (tri-meet not affected). Motion to continue the expanded scoring was carried.

Order of events will remain as last season. This motion carried.

Chrmn McMillin explained the depth rule. BOTH TEAMS WILL BE DISQUALIFIED IF THERE IS A FAILURE TO FOLLOW THE 4FT/ 31/2FT RULES. There are no exceptions.

Motion made and passed to allow for meters conversion for championship qualifications (the Norristown solution). Team Manager's conversion factor is the standard.

Qualifying times were discussed, pro and con, without any conclusions.

Ralph McDevitt, Abington, distributed info regarding fundraising for charity through the teams in this League. The concept received support from the Chair and the general body.

As mentioned above, a Hall of Fame for swimmers was discussed, mostly between Pete Crippen and Mark McElwee. As stated, something will be worked out regarding this.

Pete Crippen mentioned Maddy Crippen presentations.

Secretary for the Spring Meeting will again be Mark McElwee.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:26 pm.