

CASL Chattanooga Area Swim League, Inc.
Minutes of Regular Board Meeting
August 16, 2007

ATTENDEES:

Mark Wiley, President
Ron Snider, Vice President (Mosby Park)
Dale Tillman, Secretary (CYF)
Corrine Henderson, Treasurer (East Ridge)
Karen Snider (Mosby Park)
Stephanie Malone (CYF)
Peggy Shelton (Red Bank)
Brent Rogers (Fairyland Club)
Jason Meszaros (Dalton)
Henry Tharpe (Dalton)
Buck Meyer (Cleveland)
Michael Mathis (CGCC)
Bill Caulkins (Official)

I. PRELIMINARY:

A. Call to Order/Quorum/Finalize Agenda: Mark Wiley called the meeting to order at 6:40pm. It was determined that a quorum existed. Mark asked that the board review the proposed agenda. There were no changes to the agenda. A motion was made to accept the agenda as written. The motion received a second, and passed.

B. Reading/Approval of Minutes: Mark Wiley asked the board to review the minutes from the May 17, 2007 meeting. Mark asked if any changes were proposed. No changes were noted. A motion was made to accept the meeting minutes as written. The motion received a second, and passed.

II. DISPOSITION OF THE AGENDA - REGULAR ORDERS OF THE DAY:

A. Reports of the officers:

- 1. Treasurer:** A detailed balance sheet was distributed. It was reported that there was a current cash balance of \$7,862.77. There is another \$3600 yet to be deposited from City Meet and there is a pending debit of \$1500 for the Fugate awards
- 2. Registration Secretary:** There was a record number of CASL registered swimmers this year with more than 1600 swimmers.
- 3. Safety:** Having lifeguards on duty during the meets was a new rule this year and the general consensus was that it was a good move and created a safer environment. Mr. Caulkins commented that he appreciated knowing that in the event of an emergency the lifeguard on duty would be the person in charge. Mr. Tharpe will contact Jackie Dye concerning the facility inspections/recommendations.

4. **By Laws:** Mr. Snider reported that there were no protests filed since the last meeting.

B. Unfinished Business:

1. City Meet Wrap-up: Coach Meszaros reported that overall the meet went well. There was a problem with the timing equipment for the Friday morning session that required hand-entering all times into Meet Manager. Laura Pitman did a fantastic job with the data entry. Coach Meszaros said if there was one thing that he was unhappy with was the number of revisions that had to be posted in the results, but much of this is due to the fact that many of the younger swimmers don't touch the timing pads correctly and is hard to avoid. There was a suggestion that Senior bios be limited to a certain number of lines since the Saturday evening portion of the meet can really get long. It was also mentioned that many families did not find out the date of the City Meet until after they made summer vacation and summer camp plans that could not be changed. The 2008 City Meet date needs to be decided and communicated sooner to avoid this situation next year.

2. Rules and Regulations for 2007: there was a rewording of the Transfer Rule due to a change of residence. The rule will now state that in order for a swimmer to transfer without penalty they must move to a pool that is closer than their old pool.

There was some discussion on the wording of the 19 year old eligibility rule. The debate was over whether or not a recent high school grad could compete in the city meet regardless of their age, and whether or not college kids could continue to be a CASL swimmer if there were under the age of 19. A consensus of what CASL swimming is designed to serve will need to be established; is CASL for swimmers K thru 12th grade or is it for swimmers who are simply under the age of 19? It was decided that this discussion be tabled until the next meeting. The one point of agreement was that a recent high school graduate that was already 19 years of age could continue to be a part of CASL for the summer immediately following graduation.

Regarding divers: all divers are required to register with USA Diving via their website. Once this process has been completed a copy of the registration must be sent to the CASL Registration Secretary along with the league registration form.

C. New Business:

1. Review of Age-Up for next year: The general consensus was that the age-up rule change was a good change and allowed for more swimmers to compete in the dual meets. The rule change will continue for next season. The wording of this rule will be rewritten to be more clear and concise to avoid any confusion in the interpretation of the rule.

2. Interest for Offices: a call for nominations was made for the 2008 Board. Ron Snider will act as President. Dale Tillman was nominated for President-elect, Stephanie Malone for Secretary, and Corrine Henderson for Treasurer. Elections will take place at the September meeting.

3. 2008 City Meet: SCAC will be the host and the meet will be held at Warner Park. The date of the meet will be announced after the October Southeastern Swimming Meeting. It was suggested that Pool Reps email their swimmers to inform all families of the date. This way summer plans can be made around the date of the 2008 City Meet.

III. COMPLETION OF THE AGENDA

A. **Adjournment:** Following completion of the business brought before the board, a motion was made at 8:00pm that the meeting be adjourned. The motion received a second, after which a vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously.

IV. SCHEDULE DATE FOR NEXT MEETING:

A. **Next Meeting:** Thursday, September 20th at CYF 6:30pm

Submitted,

Dale Tillman
CASL Recording Secretary