



MIDDLE ATLANTIC SWIMMING

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Middle Atlantic - BOARD of DIRECTORS Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, April 8, 2009
Integrated Health Center, Allentown, PA

ATTENDANCE:

Mike Seip – General Chair
Fred Frank – Admin V-Chair
Stu Kukla - Coach
Greg Fastrich – Coach
George Breen – At-Large
Patric Mills – Safety Co-chair

Dale Petranech – Treasurer
Fred Killian – Secretary
John Carroll – At-Large
Stephanie Rozick – Senior Co-chair
Brad Bowser – Tech Planning
Cherita Gentilucci – MA Office

Not Present:

Dan Sullivan – Operations
Mike Gobrecht – Senior Co-chair
Burt German - Finance V-Chair
John McGinley - Athlete rep

Matt Sprang – Age-Group Co-chair
Ruth Ann Joyce – Safety Co-chair
Erik Posegay – Age-Group Co-chair

Call to order:

The meeting was held following completion of the LEAP workshop (see below), and was called to order at 2:55 pm by Mike Seip, General Chair.

Agenda:

Motion to accept Agenda as published – passed.

Announcements:

Cherita acknowledged that thank-you noted had been received from Burt German and George Breen following their recent hospitalizations.
Fred Killian noted that two clinics for new officials are scheduled for early May at the MA office and at Central Bucks.

Minutes:

Motion to accept minutes of the February Board meeting, as issued. Motion passed.

Elections and Appointments

Nominating Committee consists of Ruthann Joyce (Chair), Brad Bowser and Dale Petranech.
Mike Seip appointed Emily Creran (GPAC) as an Athlete Rep to the MA Board.

Officer and Committee Reports:

1) Cherita reported current Athlete registration is 8656.

- 2) The workshop to review and prepare responses to the USA Swimming LSC Evaluation and Achievement Program (LEAP) was held earlier today and was attended by most MA Board members. Focus was on completing the responses to the Level 1 criteria. Several items were identified as needing additional information, and various Board members were assigned responsibility to provide those responses.
- 3) Travel Fund Comm met on April 7 and discussed a revised and simplified policy. Minutes are attached. Support will be based on achievement by the swimmer and not on the specific meet that they attend. Registration and meet participation requirements were simplified and standardized. College (active) swimmers will not be eligible for support during the college season. MA meet participation will be waived for post-HS and swimmers over 19. It is intended to have the revised policy available for review at the June HoD meeting.
- 4) Winter JOs / Winter Zones – no reports as neither of the Age-Group Chairs were present. Cherita did read a note from Burt German (Finance V-Ch) stating the requirement that a complete Financial Report will be required from the appropriate committees regarding all MA hosted or sponsored activities (e.g., JOs, Mids, Zone team, etc.)

George Breen reported that MA finished 4th overall at the Zone meet (1st in Boys and 4th in Girls.) GB also presented thoughts on how to better promote the meet within MA, including changes in the application process.
- 5) Senior Mids (S. Rozick) – reported that the meet held at the new York Y was successful. The facility was very good for a meet of 500-600 swimmers. A profit is expected for the meet.

Treasurer's Report:

See attached report.

Unfinished Business:

- 1) LC schedule. There has been conflicting information regarding whether 15-18 yr olds were to be included in JOs. The 'RFP' for the meet suggested they would be included, but the approved LC schedule lists JOs as '14 & under.' Motion (J Carroll) to include 15-18 year old age group at JOs – motion passed. (Summer JO will be hosted by BCAT at the PSU outdoor pool.)

BCAT requested approval for a \$5 per swimmer surcharge to cover the cost of tents at the meet; this will negate clubs having to pay for their own tents. Motion (S Rozick) to approve – motion passed.
- 2) Employee review - Fred Frank is following-up on this item.
- 3) MA Policy – Sanctioned Dual meets - deferred by Brad Bowser.
- 4) SC schedule (B Bowser). There are no changes to the proposed schedule distributed at the January Board meeting. Motion to approve (German/Carroll) – motion passed.
- 5) June HoD meeting – Fred Frank is developing the Agenda. Approx 25% of MA clubs have indicated that they are planning to attend the meeting.

New Business

- 1) Tech Suit proposal – no action as Michael Brooks was not present. Motion died for lack of a second.

The next meeting is the Board of Directors meeting scheduled for May 11, 2009 at 7:00 pm at MA office.

Meeting adjourned at 4:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Fred Killian, Secretary