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**Middle Atlantic
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
April 11, 2005
7:00 p.m.
Middle Atlantic Office**

ATTENDEES:

Fred Killian – Admin. & Officials Chair
Kip Hein – Age Group Vice Chair
Sr. Coach Rep
Dale Petranec – Treasurer
Fred Killian – Admin. & Officials Chair
Fred Frank – Operations Vice Chair
Tom Southmayd – Finance Vice-Chair

Mike Seip – At Large
Sid Cassidy –
Patric Mills - Safety
John Carroll – at Large
John Larson – at Large
Pam Dogger - Secretary
Cherita Gentilucci - Staff

Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order @ 7:00 p.m.

Agenda:

Additions:

Kip H. – Eastern Zone Meeting Representative.
John C. – Jo's and comments on Zone Meet.

Motion moved, seconded, approved

Announcements:

Cherita – Bidders meeting date has not been determined due to conflicting dates. Cherita will email the bidders concerning dates.

Mickey Terman and Monique Terman – named outstanding volunteers of the year.
Award was given at JO's.

Falcon Swim Club – Anna Moffet and some of the FSC presented a check in the amount of \$200 to Sue Daubert who is the Team Leader of the Relay for Life Team.
This information will be included on the Website.

April 1st date published for when Bids are due. Should there be a set date every year?
Cherita – Make it the last Wednesday in April, whatever that date is, would give a Tuesday and Thursday on either side of it to perhaps work around if there is any conflict.

Minutes:

Moved – Seconded - Approved

Treasurer's Report:

Dale P. – Did receive a copy of the Audit from Anna S.

Nothing really earthshaking in the review of the Audit.

Must be presented to the Board for review, and then presented to the House.

Present it some time before the House Meeting in May.

Cherita: Has to be approved in June.

Budget Report: as presented.

Tom S. – This is year-to-date against the full year budget so you know how much room you have to go.

Cherita - Total only.

Fred K. – Education Budget: Moved attendance at the USSwimming Clinics under the Education budget a couple years ago. There is an Official's training clinic in Colorado at the end of May that normally would send two people to. Possibly can get a third person in. How will the rest of the money be used? Or can the Official's Chair send a third official to?

Cherita: George B. has gone, and Kip H. is going. Cannot remember where it was placed; but not under Education.

Moved – Seconded – Approved.

Unfinished Business:

Ad-Hoc Committee on Meet Rule Infractions. Fred K.'s Committee. Did meet and spoke about upgrading and revising the Meet Director's handbook that is given out to all Meet Directors. Will hold a clinic for all Meet Director's at two meets this summer. One at the Jersey Wahoo's meets at GCIT, May 21, 22, and one up at the Trident Meet at F&M, June 3-5.

Cherita will contact Trident and let them know.

Cherita has done some updating of the Meet Director's handbook that will be given out to the Meet Director's at that time.

Also looking possibly at doing one up at the State College meet.

John C. – Were there penalties discussed at all? What guidelines have been put in place.

Fred K. – Some of the discussions at the meeting was that it is important to let everyone know what the expectations are, and to make sure the manual is updated and everyone has that information.

Fred, Kim, Cherita and Kathy Drysdale were involved in the meeting.

Discussion was heard on the procedures involved when people do not live up to the guidelines and policies.

Cherita – There is nothing in place unless a Board of Review is instituted.

Fred K. – Will have it available at the May meeting for review.
Will reconvene the Ad-Hoc Committee to get something together before the Bidder's meeting, to outline what is going to happen and to be put in place for the next fall season. Goal will be to have something in place for action by the Board at the July meeting.

JO'S issue –

John Carroll presented an email for discussion with Kip H.

There was a coach's meeting on the age-group end of it. Feeling was felt that it was getting small enough, and they wanted to re-examine the standards. There is still a policy in effect that keeps taking the 11/12 girls standards lower and lower. And there was also discussion on the general time-line. Empty lanes were discussed; caps on the higher end. Should there be a Mid's in place with the Senior Committee?

Coach's also wanted to see the long course/short course times come into play. If there needs to be adjustments on the standards, that would be fine.

Kip – There is nothing faster than AA, as agreed on by the Board. 48th place.

The Meet was not out of control; did not go over the timeline. Had a manageable meet.

Fred K. – Deck Seed/Positive check-in the morning of the meet.

Suggestions should be referred back to the Age Group Committee. Jon Larson will join Age Group Committee. The Board will not make a decision tonight.

Old Business:

Zone Meet – Meet went very well. Girls tied with Metro for 1st; Boys 3rd to Virginia.

Elections and Appointments:

As presented. Everyone is eligible for re-election.

George B.'s suggestion for a nominating committee were those as elected from last year.

.Four names: Sid C., Brad B., and the other two are not definite as of yet.

Eastern Zone May meeting representatives:

Fred K. – Email from Joanne F. sent to Cherita regarding the meeting is on Saturday, May 7th, with a Technical Planning Committee the night before. General Chair's committee meeting at 8:00 a.m. that George B. will attend. Fred K. will also attend. Kip H. is interested in going also. John C. and Kip H. may attend the Technical Planning Committee meeting.

Kip H. would like to send out a questionnaire to the coaches to get feedback as to what is wanted as an LSC to present to the Technical Planning Committee.

Anyone else interested in going, they are to let Fred K. know.

Patric M. is planning to go. Sid. C. is planning on going.

Presidential at-Large appointments for Convention:

Three at-large presidential delegates for those otherwise not having votes.

George B., Fred K., Mike S., Kip H., John C., Still have two other possibilities. If interested in going, they are to let George B. know and Cherita know.

Five Mid-Atlantic votes are: General Chair, Admin., Coach, Senior Age Group and Athlete.

The Convention is in Greensburg, North Carolina this year.

New Business:

2005-2006 Budget – as presented

Total Revenues are up about \$14,000. Mostly split between registrations.

Senior Program is up a couple thousand.

Expenses are up \$27,000. Part of that is due to the dollar increase going to Colorado.

Two big items: LSC administration, \$10,000 and Travel \$9,000.

Net: \$1,600 left over after budgeting for another \$12,000 for investment income, which is a reasonable number. Nothing at risk right now, so number is pretty close. Should be similar as in other years.

Operating budget versus income is negative about \$10,000. And if you would bring in the \$12,000 interest off the investments, that would cover that.

Will be presented at the May House meeting; to be voted upon and adopted on at the June Meeting.

Moved – Seconded - Approved

Registration fees are up \$1.00 for the US Swimming portion.

Motion on the floor is to increase the MA portion of the dues for both athletes and non-athletes to be increased an additional \$1.00 for next year, and built into the budget. Must be approved at the House meeting.

Moved – Seconded – Approved

2005-2006 SC schedule bids: Al Berardocco not present.

Meeting date will be set and word sent out to everyone

There was an April 1st deadline.

Late filing fee of \$50.00 per meet for any applications presented after April 1st.

Includes Mini and Regular meets.

Moved-Seconded-Approved

Junior Olympic fines/travel: J. Larson

Would like to earmark the fines to go into a little fund to supplement the travel policy in the event we are short.

Cherita – Be specific as to where you want the money to go.

Tom S. – Is there an account called Fines? Should there be a separate line item for this?

Summer JO's –

Lancaster Aquatic Club offers to host summer Jo's.

As presented.

Discussion on certain items: MA to collect entries and payment checks. MA to send LAC the entry file.

MA to provide and pay for High Point awards and team high point banner.

Kip with clarify with Lancaster Aquatic Club and will report back to Board.

No one else contacted MA about hosting JO's. If there are any other clubs out there that would like to host summer JO's, they are to contact Cherita.

Report on 2005-2006 Time standards for Elite meet and SC JO's: Kip H. will put something together.

Report on status of Senior LC meet: Bucknell has been taken care of. Contract has been sent out.

Format has not changed from last year. Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday meet.

Deck Seeding all Senior events.

Implement a scratch box procedure. Not to pre-seed the meet until the night before.

Mike G. would like have a team selected to go out to Colorado to train for a week. Free to swimmers if they achieve US Open standards. MA would pay for the flight. Looking at it to be held sometime in August through October. Hoping to put this together for next year. Not this year.

Meeting adjourned at 9:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Pam Dogger, Secretary