

## **NEPAGSL Board Minutes**

January 14, 2010

Wyoming Valley CYC, 7PM

**Meeting called to order** by President Glenn Pettinato at 7PM

The **roll call of Officers** was taken. The President, Secretary and Rules Interpreter were present. The Treasurer was absent. **Representatives** from Abington, Central Columbia, Dallas, Danville, Delaware Valley, Hanover, Pittston, Tunkhannock, Valley View, and WVCYC were present. Representatives from Berwick, Elk Lake and Scranton were not present. Reading and approval of December's **meeting minutes** were passed by all present.

### **Communications**

#### **Paul Fetter, Tunkhannock, email communication:**

I would like to put out for consideration a change in the divisions for next year. We would like to see the divisions set by roster size and not standings. What we are seeing with Tunkhannock is that we are the smallest team in the A Division with 86 swimmers on our roster. We just don't have enough swimmers to fill in all the events. When we go against another team that has 115 plus swimmers we just get hammered. The divisions were changed to prevent blowouts. It isn't working. The kids work hard. They need to learn to accept defeat, but when they start to say "why bother to go to the meet, because all we are going to do is lose anyway" its time to do something. The parents are finding it harder to make the extra effort to travel to a meet, when they know we don't stand a chance. I don't like the attitude, but I do understand it.

As it stands right now, Tunkhannock will probably drop into the B DIVISION for the next season. My question is for whoever moves up; will they end up in the same situation as Tunkhannock? I know that there is no perfect solution due to our differences in size and geography. However we all share the same traits; our love for swimming and our love for our kids.

The board at Tunkhannock would like to thank everyone for their time and consideration in this matter and would appreciate any comments you may have.

\*Very good/lengthy discussion on this topic Those present decided to table the issue for now and create a committee to review it further. We discussed moving this topic to the next season.

### **Committee Reports**

#### **Championships at CYC- Jeni was not in attendance but Kelly reported:**

1. Pittston has no boys team and they swim in exhibitions for the times. Sometimes they swim with the girls. . . Can they swim in Championships? **"Yes"**
2. There will be Ads to purchase for the Championship booklet.
3. There will be guidelines to help the large meet run smoothly.
4. The times will be the same as last year.
5. Jeni needs the lineups sent to her as soon as you have them.
6. Ribbons and Trophies- A lot were left over from last year. We will be able to recycle them and save money this year.
7. Glenn needs the number of 6 & U boys/girls from all teams for trophies ASAP.
8. T-shirts- Jeni needs our logos. The order forms will be emailed in the next few days.

**Website** – Dan Allen, CYC, has been getting the meet results quicker, but he is still missing some each week. Each age group score should be included/reported on the score sheet.

**Standings** – Stu Eskin, Berwick, has left the League.\* Dan has agreed to do the season schedule for next year.\*

### **Old Business**

#### **Meets-**

- Rescheduled meets have been handled and reported to Dan Allen for the website.
- Recently, an official did not show up for a meet. Please remind your officials about their meet schedules.

#### **Hyt-Tek software-**

A motion was put forward to purchase” Meet Manager for all of the NEPAGSL swim teams and the vote was accepted unanimously. We will schedule training in March and April and then again in September and October.

### **New Business**

Glen reminded all the teams that they have to fill out a 990 just like the league does.

### **Good and Welfare.**

The new DQ card is too complicated to use and taking to long for the Officials. All we need on the card is the following: Event #, Lane, Touch arms, Kick. Kelly will pass this information onto Jeni and get it changed.

**Treasurer’s Report** – Glenn reported that all banking issues have been resolved and Penn Start is the bank we are now using. The League has a Tax ID number. The current bank balance is \$10,641.83. A motion to accept the Treasures Reports was put forth and all in attendance approved the Treasurers Report.

### **Adjournment**

**7:50 P.M.**

**The next NEPAGSL meeting will be held on Thursday, February 11, 2010, 7PM at the CYC, Wilkes-Barre. A motion was made and accepted to adjourn the meeting.**