

NEPAGSL Meeting Minutes Thursday, September 12, 2019

Representatives/Teams Present: Dan Allen, President; Angela Newman, Tunkhannock; Danielle Shoklin, Danville; Erin Ross, Danville; Corey Wimmer, Abington; Jacob Demler, Berwick; Nicole Doran, CYC; Kelly Gustin, Elk Lake; Efrain Ruiz, DVWM; Rob Sitkowski, DMAC; Jennifer VanNostrand, CCAC; Mark Gallagher, Scranton; Eric Kopa, Scranton; John McGurk, DMAC

Call to Order: 7:00 PM

Marywood's Presentation:

Marywood's Age Group Coach, Beth Cholish gave presentation to the league in asking them to consider allowing Marywood to join the league.

Officer Votes:

Dan stated that he is no longer associated with the Dallas. Therefore, he needs to resign as president, since he needs to be affiliated with a team to hold an office. Dan stated that he may coach for Tunkhannock. Since there were no nominations for president all agreed to keep Dan on as president until the next board meeting.

Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting:

Dan stated that his computer crash and he lost last meetings minutes. There are no minutes to approve.

Treasurer's Report:

Kelly, Elk Lake, balance of back account as of September 11, 2019 is \$6,088.14. The start of the 2018-2019 season, of the account, was \$9,926.00. \$50 will be paid to Dan Allen for fee for website. Championship awards cost, for the 2018-2019 season, was \$2,855.24. There was discussion as to waiving fee for teams again this year. Scranton moved for no dues for the 2019-2020 season. Dan Allen second the motion. Motion passed. **NO DUES ARE TO BE PAID FOR THE 2019-2020 SEASON.**

Committee Reports:

There are no committee reports. Tammy, CCAC, is no longer in the league, due to swimmer aging out, so there is an open sport on the ethics committee. The committee currently consists of Eric Kopa - Scranton, and Erin Ross - Danville. Jennifer VanNostrand, CCAC, volunteered to be on that committee. The ethics committee will now be Eric Kopa, Erin Ross, and Jennifer VanNostrand.

Old Business: No old business

New Business:

Schedule:

Erin Ross, Danville, will now be handling the schedule. She will be sending out an email for dates that teams are unable to host, what days, Saturday or Sunday, that your team will hold home meets, and if you will be a combined home meet. When looking at calendar, there was mention that we may only be able to get two meets in December, due to the way Thanksgiving fell. If you can host a meet over Christmas break, please let Erin know when responding to the email.

Championships:

Corey, Abington, brought up how 6U were disqualified in championships. Asking is something can be done about this. We don't want to discourage children, especially of this age. All agree that there needs to be consistent DQ. Suggested that the referee be present at the scratch meeting.

There was also discussion of when there isn't an official who can officiate a meet and the only official you can secure is a USA official. There will be a motion at the next league meeting to change the wording of the bylaw regarding the official.

Rob, Dallas, asked the league to consider allowing Dallas to host championships. There is talk of having both girls and boys championships in one weekend. There was discussion on the options that Dallas could offer for hosting, for example, swimmers not on deck, 6 lane pool vs 8 lane pool, possibility of fly overs. Teams to take back to their boards and are asked to bring their vote to next meeting. Rob also mentioned their invitational on November 16, 2019, he will resend the email to the league.

This year is Tunkhannock's year to design the t-shirts. Danville will get volunteers for the awards table.

Marywood:

There was much discussion on this issue of allowing Marywood to join the league. In the end, there was a motion to table the decision until next year, until they have time to get their team together and running. John McGurk made the motion and the motion passed to table the vote to allow Marywood into the league until next year.

Next Meeting:

Currently set for October 10, 2019. Corey, Abington, asks if it could be October 17, 2019 due to that is the first week of their practice. No objection by league. **Next meeting is October 17, 2019.**

Adjournment: 8:15 PM