

SUMMER SEASON MINUTES February 17, 2011

The meeting was called to order by President Mario Sobrinho.
Voting rites were established by team.

TEAM REPRESENTATION

Teams Represented: Anderson (Brian Heaton), Beaufort (Rick Simonds), Berkeley (Robert Thornal), Cherokee (Kevin Covington), Chester (Name Missing), Columbia (Jeff Mead), Georgetown (Name Missing), Greenwood (Tom Karel), Hartsville (Sam Crook), Foothills/Upstate (Wilder Ferreira), Hendersonville (Eric Hyder), Laurens (Jim Morse), Newberry (Pam Lister), Orangeburg (Kathryn Mangum), Pickens (Larry McMahan), Rock Hill (Lynn Williams), Sumter (Mario Francisco Sobrinho), Union (Taylor Gibbs)

Teams without Representation: Florence and Summerville

OFFICERS REPORT

Presidents Report – Mario Sobrinho welcomed everyone and thanked everyone for a being patient this year with the new officers who are learning their roles and having some learning curves to work through. There were no major issues to report for the season, except for the submission of files to the league.

Vice Presidents Report – No report submitted.

Treasurers Report – No report submitted. Mario indicated that he believed the league had around \$4000, but will email teams about the actual figure.

Secretary Report – Rick Simonds indicated that there were some transition issues with teams not emailing him the results and files were hard to come by from some teams. Mario indicated that some teams are having some issues with the new website and went over some navigation concerns. There is a meet checklist that all teams must follow and was provided to teams. We did not fine anyone this year because of the challenges and problems with the transitions. Going forward we will if teams are not properly following the timelines and emailing all the necessary paperwork and files to the league.

Member at Large – No report.

Webmaster – No report.

Head Official– No report.

RULE PROPOSALS AND AMENDMENTS

BYLAWS

Current:

ARTICLE IV – MEETINGS

Section 1: The winter bi-annual meeting shall be held at least one week after the winter championship meet the summer meeting shall be held after the Friday session of the summer championship. Additional meetings may be called by the President of the League whenever necessary or upon application of two-thirds of the members. (Effective 3-4-07).

Discussion followed as to the intent of the rule and the reasons as to why it stated as is.

Brian Heaton made a motion that the rule change the wording from “shall” to “should”, and from “one” week to “two”. Mario seconded the motion. Vote was passed.

Edited:

The winter bi-annual meeting should be held at least two weeks after the winter championship meet the summer meeting shall be held after the Friday session of the summer championship. Additional meetings may be called by the President of the League whenever necessary or upon application of two-thirds of the members. (Effective 2-17-11)

RULES

Current:

4. Coaches (Section created 3-4-07) (duplicate section 3 changed to 4 with all following sections incremented on 3-7-10)

Questions were raised by Heather and Mario as to why the explanation was left in the text and whether to drop the text or not. Lynn made the point that sometimes it’s good to remember why and when you change a rule.

No motion was made to change the rule.

Current:

5. Officials (Section added 2-28-2003)

E. The reigning CYSL executive committee is required to make available one YMCA swimming official certification training course be offered twice a year.

Heather questioned whether it should be worded differently if we don’t actually follow the rule. Pam stated that we don’t have a reliable training official who can get this requirement taken care of. Lynn stated that Andy Rutledge is in the process. Discussion followed on the pros and cons of requiring as opposed to recommend or suggested to have a class available.

No motion was made to change the rule.

Break was made in proceedings. 10 minute interlude for Dinner.

Current:

6. League Management

R. The league shall host at least two YMCA Principals trainings each year. One before/during the summer season and one before/during the winter season.

Questions were again raised on the reliability of having a certain number of scheduled trainings. Mario and Pam indicated that they are now able to teach the class and don’t foresee any conflicts that arose last season.

No motion was made to change the rule.

Current:

V. The Rock Hill YMCA will purchase ribbons and medals in bulk. Ribbons and medals will be disbursed to teams based on the number of meets they host each year. Teams will only be billed for ribbons/medals used. (Effective 3-1-08)

Discussion was made about the process of ribbons and medals. Lynn briefly described and explained the costs for teams.

No motion was made to change the rule.

Current:

7. Non Championship Meets

C. Meets will consist of 112/114 events (Effective 3-1-08) for scoring purposes. The order of events shall be: long free, backstroke, breaststroke, 100 free 6 & unders, 200 free (swam as open, scored by age group), the 200 free is not open to 6 & unders (Effective 3-4-07) medley relay, butterfly, individual medley, and free relay. See attached chart. Upon

receiving entries, if the number of swimmers would cause the meet to be longer than 4 hours, the host team has the option of doing split sessions. For example, 10 and unders in the morning and 11 & up in the afternoon. See attached split session chart.

Questions were raised about the format of the non championship meets for winter season, since the league decided to adopt an A/B format. Issues with the current events within the formats were raised by numerous teams wanting to add or subtract events from the different formats. Lynn proposed that the committee that developed the A/B format reconvene and re evaluate the format and events. As Tom from Berkeley is no longer with the league, it was decided that Lynn would take his place as a member of the panel. Mario implored that the smaller teams get more involved in the process and recommended one to step up and participate in the committees and panels such as this. Hartsville coach agreed to come onto the committee. The subcommittee members are Pickens, Newberry, Hartsville, Rock Hill, and Sumter.

Motion was to have two different sections in the rules; Summer Non championship meet as it is written, and Winter Non championship meet, having the A/B format. Motion Passed.

Current:

F. Awards. Ribbons will be awarded to the top seven places in each event. For relays there will be four ribbons awarded to each of the top seven places. **Each swimmer will receive a participant ribbon.** It is the responsibility of the team coach to distribute the ribbons among its team members.

Teams were encouraged to make sure that they continued to give out ribbons to each participant.

Current:

V. Entry fees. For any meet awarding only ribbons a **\$2.00**

Pam Lister made a motion that the entry fees were moved from the current \$2.00 to \$4.00. Lynn let everyone know that there is a provision that fees for individual events can be announced prior to the choosing of the meet schedule, and informed the league that Rock Hill meets for the upcoming season would be \$5.00. Motion Passed.

Edited:

Entry fees for any meet awarding ribbons will be \$4.00

Current:

11. MEET CLOSE OUTS *(Section added 3-4-07) (Section re-numbered from section 10 to 11 on 3-7-2010)*

A. Meet information shall be sent to clubs **15 days prior to the start of the meet. Failure to send meet information out 15 days to prior to the meet will result in a \$25.00 fine.**

Proposal:

Mario Sobrinho proposed that meet information shall be **sent to clubs and webmaster 45 days after the league meeting.** He indicated that most information doesn't change, and would prefer that the information be available sooner and to the league. Pam indicated that coaches need more time for flexibility and ability to edit before the meet. Lynn indicated that she would not be able to accommodate a deadline such as this.

Motion was made to implement the proposed rule, motion did not carry.

No more proposals or motions were made from the floor.

NEW BUSINESS

Trainings and Officials

Tom Karel indicated that he talked to Andy Rutledge about doing some training, and indicated Andy was going to be doing some training courses and wanted to know if the league would sponsor and pay for the fees associated with the training. Discussion followed with concerns about costs associated with the class, travel fees, and commitment from him to teach for the league. Lynn proposed that the league pays for the course fee and up to \$500 in travel expenses. Larry seconded the motion. Lynn amended the motion to include that Andy would have to commit to teaching two classes a year for the next three years.

Motion was made and vote was unanimous.

Coaches raised concern about the league hosting a principles course. Pam that the committee should address this and indicated that she would take it upon herself to get the classes offered.

League Software

Trish the webmaster raised a concern that the software is outdated and was not compatible with the new windows 7 platform. Brian Heaton made the motion that HyTek was updated to the latest version of meet manager and team manager for the league. Costs associated with the update were questioned. Larry wondered if we could contact the HyTek to see if we can get discounts for the teams within the league. Advantages of the new software were discussed.

Motion passed with a unanimous vote.

New Team Request

Kelly Colley submitted a request for the Georgetown YMCA to join our league. Georgetown has a new facility with a six lane competition pool. Brian Heaton made a motion to approve the request and it was seconded by Mario Francisco Sobrinho.

Motion passed with a unanimous vote.

Meet Results

Lynn proposed that meet results be submitted in Publication order. Teams submit results different ways and wanted to standardize the process. Some teams raised questions on how to use publication. Lynn stated that the publication order sorted the swimmers youngest to oldest, girls to boys, short to long, ect. Motion was seconded.

Motion passed.

League Emails

Trish reminded coaches to set up the new website email for league communications. Rick suggested setting a date to have emails transitioned over. Mario reminded coaches to try not to use the old website, to check the new one out.

No motion was made to set email deadlines or take the website down.

Distance Championship Meet

Mario raised concerns about the distance championship meet. Order of events and the format to the championship meet were discussed, Larry suggested an A day and a B day, on Saturday and Sunday. Pam brought up the issue of having championship meets sanctioned and events that are required. Pam reminded teams that the distance championship is chosen to go to by teams. Advantages and disadvantages were brought up with the championship meets as they are currently formatted.

No motion was made to implement changes.

Lynn told teams that there were no guidelines given to Rock Hill for hosting the meet and had issues with some controversy in the last distance championship. And if there were concerns they should be brought up and implemented now. Lynn is willing to host the meet again, but wants more clear indication of what the league wants as far as awards and ending ceremony. Motion was made to have the fees set the same as the regular end of season championship with top 3 teams given trophies, and ribbons given to top 7 swimmers.

Motion passed with a unanimous vote.

Summer Schedule

Last minute additions to the schedule were made by a few teams.

The summer schedule was established as follows:

Date	Host Team	Visiting Teams	Notes
May 7 th	Pickens	Anderson, Foothills, Greenwood, Hendersonville, Laurens	
May 14 th	Sumter	Beaufort, Berkeley, Cherokee, Orangeburg	Closed
May 21 st	Hartsville	Beaufort, Georgetown, Orangeburg, Sumter	Closed
	Hendersonville	Greenwood, Newberry	
June 4 th	Greenwood	Hartsville, Hendersonville, Laurens, Newberry, Union	Closed
	Orangeburg	Berkeley, Pickens, Sumter	Closed
June 11 th	Newberry	Anderson, Beaufort, Cherokee, Laurens, Sumter, Union	Closed
June 18 th	Pickens	Cherokee, Foothills, Hendersonville, Laurens, Union	
	Hartsville	Berkeley, Georgetown, Greenwood, Sumter	Closed
June 25 th	Beaufort	Berkeley, Newberry	Closed
	Sumter	Hendersonville, Orangeburg	
	Cherokee	Laurens, Pickens	Closed
July 6 th	Newberry	Anderson, Berkeley, Hartsville, Sumter, Union	
July 16 th + 17 th	LEAGUE CHAMPSHIP Host: Newberry		

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned by Mario Sobrinho.

Respectfully submitted,
Rick Simonds
 CYSL Secretary