

# METROPOLITAN SWIMMING, INC.



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## BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING Wednesday, September 2, 2020 ZOOM Meeting

**PRESENT:** Eric Fisher, Mary Fleckenstein, Monique Grayson, Dom Boccio, Allen Wone, John Yearwood, Kate Hallex, Dylan Cellamare, John McIlhargy, BJ Reynoso, John Alaimo, David Ellinghaus, Thomas Cho, Brian Hansbury, Robert Frawley, Lamar DeCasseres, and Jim Wargo.

**ABSENT:** Stanley Wong

1. **WELCOME/ROLL CALL:** Eric Fisher welcomed everyone present at this virtual meeting and called the meeting to order at 7:01pm. Eric thanked all those in attendance.
2. **ACCEPTANCE/CORRECTIONS OF MINUTES:**  
A motion to accept the minutes of the August 20, 2020 BOD meeting was made, seconded, and approved by all. **Motion carries.**
3. **GENERAL CHAIR:** Eric Fisher
  - a. **Topics for today** – This is the last BOD before the Town Hall of 9/8/2020 and the HOD of 9/12/2020. We all received an email (forwarded by the office) from a team asking Metro to review the last invoice they received and grant some leniency during this unprecedented period. Long discussion about this. All clubs had received an email requesting to pay any balance due that was under \$500.00; if the balance was \$501.00 or more, they were asked to pay \$500.00 and make a payment plan with the office for the balance.  
A motion was made to allow a team that has proven an inability to pay outstanding balance of less than \$500.00 by the HOD [or has set up a payment plan through the office] will be allowed to vote at HOD, understanding that they will have meet sanctions and/or LSC Championship participation withheld if they fail to pay. The motion was seconded and approved by all in attendance. **Motion carries.**
  - b. **Town Hall Meeting** – Eric spoke to a few teams in different regions of Metro. The outlook for October does not look promising as way too many pools are closed. Some may not open until January 2021. Teams that are trying to rent space are having a hard time. Teams that have resumed practice are not able to accept additional swimmers due to restrictions on the number of swimmers per lane and in the facilities. The office has given only a couple of sanctions for September, but there are many restrictions on the number of teams/swimmers that can attend.  
Question on whether to reserve the Nassau County pool for Senior Mets (February 2021). NCAC has availability if teams want to run SCY meets. Discussion followed on planning for the 2020-21 season. We also need to form a Governance Committee.  
Questions were asked regarding the Town Hall meeting of September 8, 2020. This will be an open meeting with a time limit of 3 minutes for each question. What will the topics be at the meeting? Brendan Hansen will join the Town Hall Meeting as well as the HOD.
  - c. **Reminder** – All reports for the HOD must be emailed to the office as soon as possible. In addition, members running for a position must email their bio.

**Next Meeting – Town Hall Meeting – Tuesday, September 8, 2020 at 7:00pm**  
**HOD - Saturday, September 12, 2020 at 1:00pm**

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made, seconded, and approved by all. **Motion carries.** Meeting adjourned at 7:50pm.

Respectfully submitted by Monique Grayson.  
September 7, 2020