

Midwestern Swimming, Inc
Board of Directors Meeting
July 7, 2009

The meeting was called to order at 7:03 p.m. via teleconference. Present were Peggy Speer, Betty Kooy, Mary Losee, Gretchen Lindner, Tony Storer, David Nelson, Scot Sorensen, Holly Beeman, Lynn Weaver, Brian Jensen, Tom Beck, Brian Schaenzer, Mary Kocsis, and Al Johnson.

Addition to Agenda: Risk Management Workshop

Reports:

Motion was made to accept all reports as submitted. **Seconded.** Motion **carried.** Betty commented that her May report was sent rather than her July report. July report was sent via email.

Old Business:

Zone Update: Decision will be made regarding coach transportation. There is no bus option for participants. Parents would ride the bus but not chaperone; not enough swimmers were interested in the bus. Question was asked regarding a bus trip for All Stars. Lynn felt that was definitely an option. We need to push the bus for All Stars.

New Business:

Elections: Mary L. pointed out that after the elections there are still two open slots on the Board of Review. She is recommending Paul Kemp and Dawn Bowen. **Motion** was made to appoint Paul Kemp and Dawn Bowen to the Board of Review. Motion **seconded.** Motion **carried.**

Trials: We will not get serious about plans until 18 months out. There will be a test meet – but on a smaller scale – only three days and probably will not be Midwestern’s responsibility. Midwestern’s responsibilities should be approximately the same – but we will not know until 18 months out. MW did well and needs to be very proud.

Officials’ Workshop: There will be a two-day USAS sponsored officials’ workshop in October in San Antonio. MW will be responsible for travel fee. There is no registration fee. **Motion** was made to send two officials to this workshop. **Seconded.** Motion **carried.**

Risk Management Workshop: Brian Jensen attended the workshop. MW, as an arm of USA Swimming, is covered. It is recommended to carry workman’s comp on all employees. Regarding team travel, MW would be covered as long as the liability and code of conduct paperwork is completed by swimmer and parent. It is also recommended that those driving for MW business (Zone coaches, All Star coaches, workshop attendance etc) use a rental car. Clubs’ coverage is limited so each should have workman’s comp, vehicle and property coverage. Coaches are covered during practice. It was recommended that coaches get a notification when their cards expire. Betty pointed out that she gets the opposite message from the Registration committee. Accident reports need to be filed, especially at the club level. Every club should have a signed code of conduct for every swimmer. On teaching racing starts, each club is responsible for the training and documentation. The documentation on file is the club’s protection from liability. Brian will file a written report on the workshop.

Capital One/Visa: The current Visa card is in Mary Kocsis' name and we cannot change just the name on the card. MW will close one account and open another. We have 23,000 points that need to be used. Trips etc could possibly be charged against this. Discussion on the trip to Chicago for convention, who is going, when and how long. Discussion concerning attendance of athletes and their attendance in Chicago. They need to attend BOD and HOD meetings. Otherwise MW does not take them to convention. This is Mary K's last meeting. Group thanks was given for her many years of service as Treasurer. We will miss Mary.

Motion was made to adjourn at 7:30 p.m. **Seconded.** Next meeting scheduled for September 26, 2009.

Respectfully submitted
Gretchen Lindner, Secretary

BOD Report
Executive Secretary/Registration Chair
July 5, 2009

Registration:

23 clubs (2 seasonal clubs)

2167 year-round athletes to date

265 seasonal athletes to date (7 in holding tank awaiting birth certs)

81 other non-athletes

101 coach members

80 officials

Registration for 2009 is winding down. Materials for 2010 have been delivered. Those will be mailed early in August.

Executive Secretary:

- **Meets for Summer 2009** – All meets are posted.
- **Fall meets** – Schedule is posted. Meets will be posted shortly – at least those that can be posted (club must be registered for 2010 before we post their 2010 hosted meets).
- **Zone meet** – Application, release form, and Code of Conduct have been posted. We are giving website and passwords to those who wish to purchase apparel.
- **Pool certifications** – Only one pool that I know of has been measured for 'certification' and it was slightly under specifications so it has not been certified. I am not sure where we go from here.