

2012 Annual Fall Meeting

Newport Hills Swim & Tennis Club

Wednesday October 10, 2012

7:00 pm

Attendees:

Board of Governors: Charlene Steinhauer, Lowell Williams, Jeff Lowell, Laura Weingaertner, Scott Allen, Susan Simpkins, Adam LaFramboise, Margaret Brunke, Rebecca Thornton, Nancy Anderson, Cindy McGee

Clubs represented: EB, FW, KGG, KGM, KGR, KLA, MIBC, MICC, MSC, NHST, NYC, NW, PL, PLAT, RHST, SAM, STC, SS, SW, TOS.

Introduction of Charlene Steinhauer, League President for 2012

Charlene will be President for the 2012 season only

Introduction of Lowell Williams, League Vice-President for 2012

Lowell is poised to take over the President position beginning 2013

Charlene went over her goals for the League by presenting "Clofford's Ten Big Ideas"

These apply to parents, coaches, swimmers and teams

Midlakes is about learning and fun

Current Board Openings:

Secretary

Treasurer

Division 2 Rep

Water Polo Rep

Champ Coordinator (Ad hoc)

The following teams needs to consider finding members to hold Board positions:

FW, CAC, WR

Please contact Charlene Steinhauer

2012 Calendar options:

Two options were presented to the membership:

OPTION 1:

Division Champs: Saturday July 13th

League Champs: Saturday July 20th

OPTION 2:

Division Champs: Saturday July 27th

League Champs: Saturday August 3rd

Regardless, here are the suggested options for the week of July 4th:

A-meet on Tuesday, B-meet on Wednesday OR

With both clubs approval, combine the meet scoring as an A-meet but allowing more exhibition heats

Discussion Points:

- MICC concerned over high school coaching conflicts
 - WIA may waive
- Concerns over conflict with Water Polo
 - WP can easily adjust their practice schedule so this should not be an issue
- What are the benefits of Option 2?
 - Weather
 - Conflicts with end of school year
 - Conflicts with baseball
 - Giving swimmers more pool time
- SeaFair Saturday - & problem with bridge closing
- PNS swimmers – may not want to swim an additional week
- Summer swim is being used as a ‘filler’ between other activities instead of a focus
- Board encourages attendees to vote for what is best for their clubs, not personal preferences
- Coached are frustrated when they cannot make it to the start of the season (college coaches)
- Conflicts with fall high school sports schedules

A move to vote was offered and seconded.

The vote for those in attendance was 10 for Option #1 and 10 for option #2, one abstention.

It was determined that since there was not a lean toward making a change to the schedule that the calendar will remain the same and Option #1 will be adopted.

OPTION 1:

Division Champs: Saturday July 13th

League Champs: Saturday July 20th

2012 Season Recap:

- Changes were made to the Operating Plan and ByLaws
- Swimp-ups & equity: a little rough at the beginning of the season
- 1:1 clarifications were made and need to be put in writing for next season
- Coaches need to communicate better. Parent Reps need to encourage communication between coaches
- Inquiry regarding ineligible swimmer @ League Champs
 - A full investigation was performed and it was confirmed that the swimmer was eligible.
 - Language regarding what constitutes an official roster needs to be clarified in the Operating plan
- How do we enforce communication?
 - Performance evaluation by the club
 - Club can ask the League to intervene

Coach of the Year

I was determined that this designation is not working and is not needed

Instead:

- Suggested that the league support serving complimentary food to the coaches at Champ Meets
- Use League Funds for a coaches social event at the beginning of the season

- It is the League responsibility to recognize & acknowledge coaches excellence

Nancy Anderson presented the Treasurer's Report

- Handed out hard copies of the League profit & loss
- Identified costs for League & Division Champs
- Paid out \$20,000 over 27 teams per Appendix B of the Operating Plan

The Annual Spring Meeting will be held on Wednesday March 13th.

Meeting was adjourned at approximately 8:30 pm

After the meeting Lisa Sloan from Fairwood volunteered to be the League Treasurer for the 2012 Season.

Respectfully submitted by Cindy McGee