

SSSL Spring Meeting

March 10, 2011

Minutes:

- Meeting called to order at 7:10
 - All clubs were represented.
- Approval of Minutes
 - Moved and seconded to approve the minutes.
- Old Business
 - None
- Treasurer's Report
 - Cori Roed reported on the budget and reminded pools of their bill. \$500 dues as in the past. She gave all clubs an invoice and asked them to order cards.
 - She said that the league might want to consider a dues increase in the near future.
 - High School rulebooks and cards will come later and she'll get them to clubs.
- Secretary's Report
 - Peter Klein explained the handouts and reminded clubs to get the document that certifies their club's compliance with the league's participation form requirement. It's due June 15th.
 - He also asked that any changes to the directory or SSSL rules be sent to him. All documents except the directory will be posted at:
www.vrstc.org/sssl
- All City Report 10
 - Clubs applauded Lakeridge for their great All City meet. Lakeridge said all went smoothly except for the bleachers. Berg was particularly difficult to deal with.
- All City Report 11
 - Klahaya is getting ready to host next summer's event. They stressed that parking will be their biggest challenge. As with many clubs the neighbors are quick to action when meets affect their parking. Klahaya will run a shuttle bus from a local school. They would appreciate clubs helping get the word out to their members.
- New Business
 - Two Board positions were filled.
 - Ed Adams of Klahaya was voted in as league president.
 - Diane Miller of Marine Hills will be our vice president
 - Peter will remain as secretary to help with the transition. He'd really like someone to step forward for next year.
 - The consensus was that all teams are strongly encouraged to upgrade to Meet Manager 3.0 for the coming season. Maenad pointed out that we should get a break as a league wide user of the software.

- There was much discussion around the issue of how many exhibitions should be allowed at dual meets. Most seemed to agree that 25 for each team was a good number, but most felt that a hard and fast rule was too restrictive. Some clubs might want to increase the number at the end of the season to qualify swimmers. All seemed to agree that communication between coaches is essential. Maenad suggested that the “computer people” also be informed.
- Tom Linde presented a proposal to amend the Operating Rules to allow for starting blocks with adjustable back plates. USS rules allow them; high school rules do not at this time. There was some concern that this might give Northern clubs an advantage when the Northern Division meet is at Sand Point next year. Others argued that these blocks are likely to be standard in the long run. It was moved and seconded to allow these blocks for dual meets but must be removed before Sand Point is to host any post season meet until the high school rules are changed. The motion passed on a roll call vote: 8 for, 6 against, 2 abstentions.
- It was moved and seconded that the two references in the Operating Plan requiring cards at championships meets be removed to allow these meets to go cardless. It passed on a voice vote.
- SSSL Records – Maenad will leave the league with an updated Meet Manager SSSL record file before she leaves for her new home in Houston. She said one of the keys is to have all clubs make sure that the senior age groups are designated as “15 and above.” Right now some have “18 and under.” Not only do we allow 19 year olds to swim if it is their last year in high school, but the consistency will help insure that records are passed down accurately. Maenad will also be setting up a Meet Manager “clinic” so that we can insure some consistency across
- Meeting adjourned.
- North and South broke into groups to discuss championship meets and other issues.

B Champs	Girls July 25	Boys July 26	Divisions July 28	All Cities August 2
Blue Ridge (22 nd)	View Ridge	Innis Arden	Wedgwood	Klahaya
Olympic View (21 st)	Arbor Heights	Gregory Seahurst	Normandy Park	