

**2011 ANNUAL MEETING OF THE  
WESTCHESTER COUNTY SWIMMING ASSOCIATION**

Westchester County Center, White Plains  
Tuesday, June 21, 2011

<http://wcsa.usswim.net>

**CALL TO ORDER:**

Members of the Board met briefly prior to this meeting. Paul McClintock, Michael Morrissey, Dave Heller, Karen DeSantis and Monique Grayson were present at the meeting.

WCSA President, Paul McClintock, welcomed everyone in attendance after the meeting was called to order at 7:08pm. Paul introduced the members of the Board that were in attendance: Monique Grayson (Recording Secretary, computer operator), Karen DeSantis (Liaison with County Recreation Department & Member At Large), Mike Morrissey (Vice President, timing system operator), and Dave Heller (Treasurer, Head of Officials). Jack Geoghegan (Past President), John Hughes (Member At Large, timing system operator) and Paul Simco (Member At Large) were unable to attend. Paul thanked the members of the board for their volunteerism and hard work at the 85th Annual Meet of 2010. The meet was one of the best one we've ever had. We hope to be blessed with good weather again this year.

**SECRETARY'S REPORT:**

We received proxies from the following clubs: Chappaqua Swim & Tennis, Leewood Golf Club and Pound Ridge Swim & Dive Team.

**ROLL CALL:**

Paul thanked the representatives of the following clubs that were in attendance: Ardsley Country Club, Greenburgh Swim Team, Hastings Town Swim Team, Lake Isle Club, and Mount Kisco Memorial Swim Team. The Association has 50 member clubs.

**MINUTES:**

A motion to accept the minutes of June 21, 2010 was made and seconded. All were in favor. Minutes were accepted as mailed and posted on the WCSA Web site.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:**

The Association is solvent and in good shape. All bills are paid. Invoices will go out in a few days. Clubs were reminded to pay the dues. Dues will remain at \$100.

Note: Change of address for the treasurer: Dave Heller - 448 Glen Ave – Port Chester, NY 10573

**PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

Review of 2010 – This was one of the best meet we ever had: all equipment worked without problems, the meet started on time, the theme nights were great, and the cooperation with the County was superb! Paul thanked all that made the 85<sup>th</sup> Annual Westchester County meet such a success.

## 2011 IMPORTANT DATES AND INFO:

This year will be the 86<sup>th</sup> Annual Westchester County Championships. Unfortunately, this will most probably be our last meet ever to be held at Playland in Rye and we will treat it as such! We had been hoping to move to Sprain Ridge in Yonkers, after Playland closed, but Sprain Ridge is actually currently closed. We will do our best to commemorate this last meet at Playland!

- 1. The Diving Competition:** We thank all at the **Lake Isle Club** (Eastchester) for rescuing us this year by letting us use their facility for the Diving portion of the meet. Diving will begin on Monday, July 25<sup>th</sup> for the 10-13 divers, at 2pm with a 12pm warm-up. The 14-17 divers will compete on Tuesday, July 26<sup>th</sup>. Corrections to the diving sheets must be submitted by 1:15pm. Girls will dive first on both days. Rain date is July 27<sup>th</sup>.
- 2. Swimming** will be at the Playland Pool in Rye for the last time! Swimming will begin on Monday, August 1<sup>st</sup> and end on Thursday, August 4<sup>th</sup>. August 5<sup>th</sup> is the rain date.
  - Monday, August 1, 2011: **warm-up at 3:15pm; start at 4:30pm**
  - Tuesday, August 2, 2011: **warm-up at 3:15pm; start at 4:30pm**
  - Wednesday, August 3, 2011: **warm-up at 3:15pm; start at 4:30pm**
  - Thursday, August 4, 2011: **warm-up at 3:15pm; start at 4:30pm**
- 3. The date for the age of each competitor** for this meet is as of the first day of the diving competition, so all entrants compete based on their age on **July 25, 2011!** Coaches must make sure that their swimmers' age are correct for this meet (especially for swimmers that age up after the start of the summer dual meet season!)
- 4.** Teams will receive **three coaches' passes**. For every 25 competitors, coaches can request an additional coach pass.
- 5. Theme Nights:** We will continue this tradition: Tuesday will be **Hawaiian Night**, Wednesday will be **Red/White/Blue Night**, and Thursday will be **Team Spirit Night**.
- 6. Important Info - Competition Suits rules** - As of 2009, all suits used for competition must be on the FINA list (check on the [FINA.org](http://FINA.org) web site). This includes all summer dual and championship meets.
- 7. Office Coverage Dates for 2011** If you need to speak with someone about entries or about the Counties, please leave a message at 914-864-7086. Someone will be checking the voicemail daily and getting back to you by the following day. You may also email Karen at [kdesantis@mail2iris.com](mailto:kdesantis@mail2iris.com) and she will get back to you as soon as possible. If you need additional forms or would like to check the rules, please visit our website at: <http://wcsa.usswim.net>  
There will be someone in the office on the following dates and times:
  - a. July 8: from 12 to 3pm
  - b. July 13: from 12 to 3pm
  - c. July 15: from 12 to 3pm (This is the **AD DEADLINE**)
  - d. **ENTRY DEADLINE:** July 18: from 10am to 3pm sharp! In addition, entries will also be accepted on Monday, July 18<sup>th</sup> at the County Center in White Plains, between 7pm and 9pm. Doors WILL close sharply at 9pm – NO EXCEPTION!
- 8. Four-Night Passes** Once again, we will be selling 4-night passes before the meet. They can be purchased by the coaches when they hand in the entries. The pricing plan is as follows: \$12 (4 night pass + 1 program); \$10 (4-night pass); \$3 (4-night pass for 13-Under). Daily admission will be as follows: \$3 (one night adult admission); \$4 (program); \$1 (one night admission 13-Under). A different admission table and line will be available for all those holding the pre-paid passes.
- 9. Advertisement: Ad Deadline** All info/wording for Ads for the meet program MUST be in by Friday, July 15<sup>th</sup>. No exceptions! Photographers will be sending the pictures directly to WCSA. If parents are taking the team pictures: please email those to Karen.
- 10. Eligibility:** The Westchester County Swimming & Diving Annual Championship meet is open to

**Westchester County Residents ONLY.** This rule is not bendable. Swimmers/divers' age for this meet is as of **July 25, 2011.**

- a. Swimmers/Divers (including unattached swimmers and divers) must have been residents of Westchester County for at least 6 months prior to the start of the meet or they will not be allowed to compete.
- b. A swimmer that moves out of the County at any time before the start of the meet is not allowed to participate.
- c. Swimmers/Divers that competed in the meet last year and have changed clubs may not compete as part of their new club. They may compete as Unattached for one year.
- d. In addition, coaches/assistant coaches/junior coaches that are salaried and those listed as coaches may not swim in the meet. Coaches that are considered "apprentice coach" may not swim either because this is considered as professional status, not amateur status, even if they only receive a stipend for their work.

- 11. Entries will close on Monday, July 18, 2011 at 9pm sharp** (no exceptions!). Clubs should try to get their entries earlier if possible. We will be accepting entries at the County office in Mt. Kisco from 10am to 3:00pm and at the County Center in White Plains from 7:00pm to 9pm. Teams may also mail their entries early to the Mount Kisco Office but they must arrive on time!! Clubs can email their Team Manager Export File ahead of time to Monique at [mggrayson@aol.com](mailto:mggrayson@aol.com) BUT all forms and payment must still be handed in no later than Monday, July 18<sup>th</sup>. The Team Manager meet events file is posted on the WCSA website.
- 12. New Swimmers:** All new swimmers **MUST** be registered by the entry deadline of July 18, 2011. Registration forms and proof of age (copy of Birth Certificate or Baptism Certificate or Passport) **MUST** be received by that date – NO EXCEPTION. Please register your swimmers early! All copies of proof of age will be shredded after the meet.
- 13. Medals:** they will be the same as in the past 85 years! Medals and Awards have been ordered. President Award winners will be announced at the meet at Playland.
- 14. Vendor:** Ed Gulbenkian will once again be the vendor at the meet. Ed is a very good friend of the meet. He donates shirts to all volunteers and swimming/diving officials.

#### **ELECTION OF OFFICERS:**

WCSA welcomes anyone that would like to get involved with the Association. All eight members of the board were up for re-election.

A motion to accept the slate of officers as proposed was made, seconded and accepted by all in attendance: Paul McClintock (President), Dave Heller (Treasurer), Mike Morrissey (Vice President), Monique Grayson (Recording Secretary), Jack Geoghegan (Past President – At Large), Karen DeSantis (Liaison with County Recreation Department & Member At Large), Paul Simco (Member at Large) and John Hughes (Member at Large). Motion carried. The members of the Board thanked everyone present. They are all looking forward to work with the Association again.

#### **OLD BUSINESS:**

1. **Food Drive:** We will do a Food Drive again on the Wednesday night of the Counties at Playland. This year, we are looking to get as much non-perishable food as possible to go to the Vets. Hospital in Montrose, NY.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

1. **False Start Rule:** The WCSA has decided to follow the No False Start Rule at the Counties. Dual confirmation from the officials at both ends of the pool will be needed. Swimmers are reminded not to move once on the blocks!

A motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:44pm was made, seconded and accepted by all. Paul McClintock thanked all for their interest in the organization and for attending the meeting.

**The Coaches meeting followed the representatives meeting at 8pm.**

The following Clubs were not represented at the meeting:

Amackassin Club  
Lewisboro Swim Club  
Mt. Pleasant Club  
Orienta Beach Club  
Peekskill Swim Team  
Pelham Country Club  
Pleasantville Swimming  
Windmill Club

**Note:** Karen DeSantis did not include each team's list of eligible registered swimmers in the teams packets. Please email Karen at [kdesantis@mail2iris.com](mailto:kdesantis@mail2iris.com) if you need to get the updated list for your team.

The meeting adjourned at 8:39pm

Respectfully submitted by Monique G. Grayson –June 26, 2011

