

**2004 ANNUAL MEETING OF THE
WESTCHESTER COUNTY SWIMMING ASSOCIATION**

Westchester County Center
June 29, 2004

CALL TO ORDER:

The members of the Board met briefly prior to this meeting.

WCSA President, Paul McClintock, welcomed everyone after the meeting was called to order at 7:15pm. Paul introduced the members of the Board that were in attendance: Karen DeSantis (Liaison with County Recreation Department & Member At Large), Jack Geoghegan (Past President), Dave Heller (Vice President and Treasurer), Monique Grayson (Recording Secretary, computer operator) and Paul Simco (Member At Large). Michael Morrissey (Member At Large, timing system operator) and Andis Akerfelds (WCSA photographer) were unable to attend. Paul introduced Fritzi McClintock who will be working at the office in Mt. Kisco.

Paul thanked the members of the board for their contribution and hard work at the 78th Annual Meet of 2003. The meet went well even though we were forced to use the Friday evening's Rain date for the first time in many years. We hope to be blessed with good weather this year.

ROLL CALL:

Paul thanked the few members that were in attendance. Present were Michael Panzarino (Torview), Fritzi McClintock (Westwood), Paul Simco (Pound Ridge), Karen Hogan (Lake Isle), Don Wemer (Hastings) and Susan Marynowski (Greenburgh).

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Dave Heller reported that the Association was solvent and in good shape. All bills are paid. Paul Simco (Pound Ridge) made a motion to keep the dues at \$100. Michael Panzarino (Torview) seconded the motion which was accepted by all. Motion carries. Requests for payment for 2004 will be mailed out this week.

MINUTES:

Karen Hogan (Lake Isle) made a motion to accept the minutes of June 30, 2003. Fritzi McClintock (Westwood) seconded the motion. All were in favor. Minutes were accepted as mailed.

SECRETARY'S REPORT:

We received proxies from the following clubs: Birchwood, Katonah, Leewood, Orienta Beach Club, Yonkers, and Mount Kisco Memorial. Calls were made to all clubs to remind them of the meeting.

2004 IMPORTANT DATES:

Entries close Monday, July 19, 2004 at 9pm sharp (no exception!) Try to get your entries earlier if possible. We will be accepting entries at the office in Mt. Kisco 9am-3pm and at the County Center 6-9pm. The due date for the ads for the program is set for July 15th.
Diving at Sprain Ridge Pool: July 26-27, 2004 – 3pm (July 28 as rain date)
Swimming at Playland: August 2-5, 2004 – 5:30pm start (August 6 as rain date)

As a reminder, the Westchester County Swimming Championship is open to Westchester County residents ONLY. This rule is not bendable. Swimmers/Divers must have been residents of the County for at least 6 months prior to the start of the meet. 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.

MEMBERSHIP ACCEPTANCE:

Paul Simco (Pound Ridge) made a motion to accept Yonkers Recreation as full member of the Association. The team competed as a probationary swim team last summer. Michael Panzarino (Torview) seconded the motion, which was then accepted by all. The WCSA has now 53 member teams.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS:

We welcome anyone that would like to get involved with the Association.

Susan Marynowski (Greenburgh) made a motion to elect the following seven members: Paul McClintock (President), Dave Heller (Vice President & Treasurer), Monique Grayson (Recording Secretary), Jack Geoghegan (Past President – At Large), Karen DeSantis (Liaison with County Recreation Department & Member At Large), Michael Morrissey (Member at Large) and Paul Simco (Member at Large). Don Wemer (Hastings) seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried. The members of the Board thanked everyone present. They are all looking forward to work with the Association again.

79th ANNUAL MEET & PLAYLAND POOL:

- a) Karen Hogan (Lake Isle) made a motion to appoint Ed Gulbenkian again as vendor at the meet. The motion was seconded by Don Wemer of Hastings Town Pool and accepted by all. Ed Gulbenkian, who has been the vendor at the meet for the last 6 or 7 years, will get the job again this year for the same amount of money as last year. Ed gave shirts to all volunteers and swimming/diving officials. He gave caps to all competitors, and ran a trivia contest during the meet. The kids loved the randomly assigned tickets for Playland. Ed has asked to be a vendor at the Diving meets also.
- b) Pool at Playland: No decision has been made to move forward with the water park at Playland. There might be some minor repairs but nothing more before 2006.
- c) The President Awards were well deserved and were a hit again last year: Karen DeSantis and Ed Gulbenkian received the Awards in 2003. The Board has selected the 2004 recipients of the President Awards.
- d) The electronic timing system will be used again for diving this summer. Diving sheets must be handed out at the same time as the entries.
- e) We are looking to sell 4-day passes before the meet. They can be purchased when coaches hand out the entries (\$10 for a 4-day pass). The new pricing plan was adjusted as follows: \$12 (4-night pass + 1 program); \$10 (4-night pass); \$3 (one night adult admission); \$4 (program); \$3 (4-night pass for 13-Under); \$1 (one night admission 13-Under).
- f) We are looking at a way to rearrange the order of events in case of inclement weather. Hopefully it will be done before August.
- g) The Association is looking to subscribe to a "Weather Notification" service for the 3 weeks of Diving, Swimming Counties, and Westchester Swimming Conference meets.
- h) It would cost the Association \$2,800 per line for an additional scoreboard display.
- i) Wednesday Night will be the first Hawaiian night at the Counties!

NEW BUSINESS:

- We will switch to Jim Casey at Mount Kisco Printing for the meet programs this year. All ads must be in by July 15th so we have the time to proof read them. Everything MUST be in no later than July 22nd.
- Please correct the posters: The meet age is as of July 26, 2004, which is the first day of the meet (not July 28th as printed on posters).
- Dates for 2005: Diving: July 25-26, 2005; Swimming: August 1-2-3-4, 2005.
- Website: reminder: <http://nwsc.usswim.net/WCSA/Home.htm> - If problems, please email Karen DeSantis. Most forms are now available on the website.

Paul Simco made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Dave Heller seconded the motion. All were in favor. Meeting adjourned at 7:55pm.

Paul McClintock thanked all for attending.

Submitted by Monique G. Grayson - July 5, 2004.

COACHES MEETING:

1: The meeting was called to order at 8:15pm. The coaches were asked to sign in and pick up their registration packet.

2: WCSA President, Paul McClintock, welcomed everyone to the start of the 79th year. Paul thanked all those that attended the meet last year and reminded everyone that we take great pride in this meet, which is the only true Westchester County Championship. Paul McClintock reminded everyone that this is a mandatory meeting! Apawamis, Sleepy Hollow, Windmill, Yonkers and Yorktown were not represented at this meeting.

3: Meet: Warm-up information will go out soon. Remember that pool parking lot fills up fast. Age for this meet is as July 26, 2004.

- Diving: Sprain Ridge Pool July 26-27, 2004 (rain date July 28)
- Swimming: Playland Pool August 2-5, 2004 (rain date August 6)
- Wednesday, August 4, 2004, will be the first annual "Hawaiian" night at the Counties. Please have good taste in selecting your outfit!

4: Rules:

- Eligibility: Westchester Residents ONLY (must have been a resident for the past 6 months). No Exception. Age for the meet is as July 26, 2004.
- Coaches: Coaches listed on their club's roster as coaches, and are paid for their coaching job, are not allowed to swim in the meet.
- Swimmers that moved from one club to another since last year must swim as unattached for one year. Swimmers that were unattached last year can now swim attached to a club.
- Entry deadline is Monday, July 19, 2004 at 9pm sharp. Please do your best o bring in your entries early (at the office 9-3pm or County Center 6-9pm). Also previous week at County office.

5: New Member Clubs:

Paul McClintock mentioned that the Yonkers Recreation Swim Team is now approved as permanent member of the Association. We now have 53 teams in the Westchester County Swimming Association.

6: Playland:

No decision has been made to move forward with the water park at Playland. There might be some minor repairs done but nothing more before 2006.

7: Diving:

The diving sheets must be turned in at the same time as registrations. We will be using the new electronic system.

8: Packet: Karen DeSantis went over the content of the Coaches' packet:

- The age of all competitors is as first day of the meet: July 26, 2004.
- All competitors must be residents of Westchester County for at least 6 month in order to participate in this meet. Club members that reside in other counties or state are not eligible to participate.
- Registration: Coaches: for all questions: email Karen at: kdesantis@mail2iris.com. The phone number at the Recreation Department is 914-864-7058
- Deadline for ads is July 15th. Deadline for entries is Monday, July 19th at 9:00pm sharp. Please be on time!
- Diving counts as one individual event. Divers cannot dive up: ages are 10-13 and 14-17 (9 year-old divers cannot participate in the diving event). Divers must do 5 dives from 5 categories. Diving Rain Date is July 28th.
- Rules on swimming. Please read. Maximum of 4 individual events.
- All individual events count for High Point Trophy (even if a swimmer swims the same event in different age groups: example: butterfly in 12-under, 14-under, 17-under).
- Cards are needed for relays ONLY. Coaches must fill out the relay cards. Coaches who have team Manager can send their entries on disk. Please make sure that the names of all possible alternates are on the relay cards and on the team roster.
- Divers must be included on the team roster.
- New registrations must have signature from swimmer, parents, coaches, and club secretary. Proof of age can be copy of birth certificate, or baptism certificate, or passport, or driver license.
- We will now pre-sell 4-day passes at \$10 per pass. Fee tally sheet information on the 4-day pass is incorrect. It should be \$10 (not \$6).

9: Reminder to all coaches: warm-up is hectic and short at Playland. We will need the scratches and alternates as soon as possible each night. Timing assignment sheets are in the packet. Contact Karen if the night is not good for your club.

10: Entries on Hy-Tek disk will be accepted. Events file for download into team manager is now available on the website.

Meeting adjourned at 8:50pm

Submitted by Monique G. Grayson – July 5, 2004