

NIAGARA DISTRICT BOARD MEETING OCTOBER 18, 1992 UNIVERSITY OF BUFFALO AT AMHERST

Betty Barry, Sanctions; Gene Donner, Chairman; Dick Heller, TOP 10; Stefanena Kysor, Secretary and Fitness; George McVey, Registrar; Kay Turner, Treasurer; Lynn Fuller, Canandaigua; John Pilger, Syracuse.

Also present for part of the meeting, Emily Ward and Dorsey Reynolds, University of Buffalo; Marrie Neumer, University of Rochester.

ABSENT: Denise LeVan, Newsletter; Larry Chase, Safety Coordinator.

OLD BUSINESS

- 1) The minutes of the July 25 meeting were accepted by resolution offered by George McVey and seconded by Kay Turner.
- 2) The calendar was updated. The district championships will be held at MCC April 17 and 18. The State meet is scheduled for March 26-28 at West Point.
- 3) The Games committee reports a profit of approximately \$500 after expenses. The funds will remain in an interest-bearing account until next year's competition. Although the site of our competition has not yet been determined, conversations with Brendan McCann indicate we may be at the Genesee Valley pool.

OFFICERS' REPORTS

CHAIRMAN -- Gene Donner

The WORLD GAMES committee handling the competition which will be held in Buffalo (July 7-15, 1993) is asking for volunteers. handout with more details was available. Questions should be directed to Gene.

At the convention in Minneapolis our district was awarded the 1994 Long Course Championships to be held at the new pool in downtown Buffalo. Anyone interested in working should contact Gene or George.

The dates are August 24 to 27, 1994 with the Hilton the host hotel. The negotiated rate for rooms is \$79 plus tax for a maximum of four people.

The wording of the waiver was changed slightly for 1993. "I, the undersigned participant, intending to be legally bound, hereby certify that I am physically fit and have not been otherwise informed by a physician. I acknowledge that I am aware of all the risks inherent in Masters swimming (training and competition) including possible permanent disability or death, and agree to assume all of those risks. I hereby waive any and all rights to claims for loss or damage arising out of participation in the Masters program or any activities incident thereto against United Masters Swimming, Inc., the Local Masters Swimming Committees, the Clubs, host facilities, meet sponsors, committees or any individuals officiating at the meets supervising such activities, as a condition of my participation in Masters swimming. In addition, I agree to abide by and be governed by the rules and regulations of USMS."

Also at the convention it was decided that the 400 I.M. and 500 freestyle would be preseeded.

<u>FITNESS</u> -- Stefanena Kysor

Betty Barry reported that the district has been asked by the National Fitness Committee to run the 2000 Fitness Swim in 1993. It is tentatively scheduled for June/July and will be advertised in SWIM magazine. Betty is coordinating the effort and volunteers should contact her.

NEWSLETTER -- Denise LeVan

Gene has quoted a price for printing the newsletter of \$200 for two (2) pages 11 x 14. An additional 8 1/2 x 11 insert would be \$50 more. Pictures can be included at \$10 each. It was decided that the newsletter would be mailed "camera ready" to Gene for duplication and distribution. Labels will be provided and he will bill for postage and printing.

TOP 10 -- Dick Heller

Dick announced that he will be stepping down and asked that we seek a replacement. He will write an article for the newsletter asking for volunteers and detailing the job.

He has times swum in the district which cannot be submitted for TOP 10 consideration because he cannot get the necessary verification (computer tape/cards) from the meet director. A discussion ensued about how best to deal with this situation and the sanctions chairman will prepare a notice to be sent to meet directors with their sanctions explaining the requirement.

John Pilger suggested that we require meet directors to mail copies of the results to those listed on our "contact key members" list. It will be taken under consideration. In most cases the cost would not be too prohibitive...up to four pages in an envelope will go for \$.29 with approximately thirty-five people requiring copies.

REGISTRAR -- George McVey

We have 478 registered members, 61% male and 39% female. Of those registered in 1991, 167 did not re-register in 1992. They will receive a mailout encouraging them to rejoin.

The national dues required from each registrant will remain at \$15 for 1993. A discussion of whether or not to raise the district portion resulted in a consensus that it will remain the same at \$10 for a total of \$25.

OFFICIALS -- George McVey

Since Hugh Reinhard's resignation George has been covering this position. We are seeking someone who will serve as Officials Chair and another request should be run in the newsletter.

<u>OPEN WATER</u> -- George McVey

Given the water and weather conditions for the past several years at Hamlin Beach, the district would like to move the site of the annual open water swim to a site less likely to cause problems. Canandaigua Lake was a suggested alternative as well as several others which will be investigated.

TREASURER -- Kay Turner

A projected budget had been prepared and was discussed. Kay will reissue a 1993 budget* taking input into consideration. We anticipate a shortfall of approximately two to three hundred dollars.

NEW BUSINESS

RENTALS

The district will begin renting the strobe light to groups hosting meets. We also have for sale caps, t-shirts, Gatorade containers and cups, and a variety of other equipment. Those interested should contact George McVey.

SWIMMER SURCHARGE

The possibility of charging non-Masters groups hosting meets a "per-swimmer charge" was discussed. Neither Emily, Dorsey nor Marrie objected.

JOB DESCRIPTIONS

Betty asked that the board members each compose a job description for use when filling positions in the future.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Stefanena Kysor, Secretary

Enclosure: *Revised Treasurer's 1993 Budget

NIAGARA DISTRICT MASTERS 1993 Budget

INCOME

Swimmer registrations (480) Meet registrations (10) Rentals Mailing labels Merchandise sales Club registrations	\$210.00 \$100.00 \$50.00 \$50.00
	\$50.00
Total	\$12,460,00

EXPENSES

USMS 92 G Austin 92 Convention 93 Convention Newsletters (5) Registrar admin	\$7,200.00 \$855.50 \$720.00 \$1,150.00 \$2,000.00 \$500.00
Other admin	\$500.00 \$300.00 \$12,725.50

Income-Expenses (\$265.50)

Kay Turner Treasurer FL