Sal Winter Board Meeting- 1-6-04

The meeting was started at 7:00 by Chairman Brian McMillan

All teams were present.

Scheduling: Jamie Forlini explained that the scheduling was done by team standings, so that the more competitive meets occur at the end of the season. This year we had a problem because of a league wide snow-out. We may need to address adjusting the schedule to accommodate snow or emergency cancellations of the meets. It was also discussed that when the meets make ups were negotiated that it be handled by as few people as possible, specifically the team reps. Some options were talked about such as eliminating the tri-meet or starting the season earlier. All teams either had already made up their meets or they were scheduled to be completed this week.

Spring Meeting: Brian remarked that the attendance is typically poor at the Spring Meeting and urged all teams to remember that attendance is required. Also, the League is in need of a Chairman, Treasurer, and Secretary for the 2004/2005 season and it is very much a necessity for these positions to be filled so that the League is able to operate efficiently.

Flight Championships: The tri-meet flight championships will occur January 17th. This is a Championship Meet and any swimmer entered must have competed in 40 % of the dual meets. All teams must notify the registrars ASAP after their final dual meet so that the match ups may be determined. East Division will host the girls and South Division will host the boys.

Meet Results: The results have been very timely this year. Great job everyone!

League Championships Entries: Due to the fact that the championship entries were not all on time last years causing some difficulties at the seeding meeting, the psych sheets will be due a week earlier this year. The deadline will be Mon., January 19th to Pete Crippen by 6:00 p.m. The entries should also include diving. Time improvements occurring at the Last Chance Meet should then be e-mailed to Pete. Enter your swimmers in as many events as possible for the psych sheets; it will be finalized at the scratch meeting. Remember to keep two separate files, one for League Championships and the other for Division Championships.

Scratch Meeting: Remember to send two people per team; they should be experienced as the meeting moves very quickly. Have your information organized as once an event is closed we do not go back. There have been mistakes made in the past and we would like to minimize this as much as possible.

Division Champs: The divisions will determine who is hosting each Championship and the information will be made available and posted on the Website. The entry files will be e-mailed to the host teams by the date that they determine.

League Championships: The meets will be Sunday, February 8, 2004 at LaSalle College. The boys are in the a.m. and the girls are in the p.m. The doors will be open at 7:30. The team job assignments were passed out and each team is responsible for getting the workers that they have been assigned. Deck marshals need to be there at the beginning of the meet. Older athletes may warm up in the diving well (14 and over) with a coach present from that team. There will be no diving except in the designated sprint lanes which will be lanes 5 and 6. It was discussed that the ambulance service last year was very costly and it would be appreciated if anyone had any contacts that they would give Pete the names.

Sponsorship and Advertising: Pete Crippen distributed a hand out that contained opportunities for individuals and businesses to advertise in the program or to sponsor an event. This will bring additional revenue into the League. If anyone knows people or organizations that are interested, please contact them and give them a flyer.

Program: The League will be using a new printer this year to print the program this year at the cost of 3 cents a copy, unless a more competitive rate is found. It was suggested as we ran out last year that the number of programs be increased. The suggestion was made of 1 per athlete.

Diving: Jim Davidson presented the diving information on the Championship Meets. The Last Chance Meet will be at UDAC, Sun. January 25th. Division Championships will be at NAAC on Sun., February 15th. League Champs will be Sat., February 7th at LaSalle. Inform the coaches about the Last Chance as soon as possible.

Treasurer: Barbara Di Paul announced that she will be resigning at the end of this year and that we need to have a new treasurer in place. She also passed out some overdue bills to teams. All outstanding dues need to be paid before Championships or that team may not participate. Also, Barbara needs the entry reports after Division Championships, please mail or e-mail. Please print out the report right after the meet so that it does not get overlooked in the summer.

Sr. Award and Awards: Karen Palombo needs the names of all Seniors ASAP for the program. Also, the award applications are due this week. I also mentioned that many swimmers did not get their awards last year and I got many e-mails requesting missing awards. I would like all coaches to check their team awards before they leave the meet. Pete offered to print out a team results form to assist the coaches in making sure that they have all of their awards.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:15

Respectfully Submitted,

Karen Palombo