CASL SPRING MEETING MINUTES

MONDAY, MAY 6, 2024

The CASL spring meeting was a virtual Zoom meeting called to order at 7 p.m. by President Mike Gobrecht. Jeff Boswell, the Secretary, noted there was a quorum with all teams represented. Jeff noted that Hanover Y which had suspended its participation for the 2023 summer season will participate in the 2024 season and that West York seeks to enter the league for the 2024 season. President Gobrecht presented the Agenda that was emailed to all teams prior to the meeting. By consensus, the 2023 fall meeting minutes were approved. Mike noted that the league roster had been emailed and requested each team to inform him of any changes to the roster. Jeff Boswell noted that the Agenda contains information concerning payment of league dues, dual meets, invitational meets, and championship meets. The Agenda is attached to these minutes, so this information need not be restated. By consensus, Janet Butterfield was elected as Treasurer. By consensus, West York was approved to compete as a team for the 2024 season.

The next item on the Agenda concerned the Treasurer's report. Patty Neidigh. the Treasurer for 14 years, provided information to Janet Butterfield, the new Treasurer. for the information presented at this meeting. The financial report for the period from October 9, 2023, to April 30, 2024, showed income of \$11,815.55 and expenses of \$532.34, for an ending balance of \$11,283.21. By consensus, the financial report was approved. It was reported that there were outstanding invoices received but not yet paid for PIAA rulebooks of \$256.10, mailing supplies of \$5.01, and website expense of \$218.48, so the current bank balance after payment of these invoices will be \$10,803.62. There was discussion concerning the league's bank account balance that was approximately \$16,800 at the end of the 2022 season and is now \$11,800 at the beginning of the 2024 season. It was noted that Mid-Cap fees have increased in this period from \$3,500 to \$5,100 and that the league is now awarding two \$1,000 scholarships. The Mid-Cap fee has increased from \$4 to \$5 for each entry. There was discussion about the increase of CASL dues for each swimmer, with action deferred to the 2024 fall meeting. It was decided not to authorize electronic payment of dues because of the PayPal cost of 3 percent. Janet Butterfield reported that she is organizing all the records so information can be accessed in electronic form. President Gobrecht announced that, by Friday, June 7, 2024, rosters must be submitted electronically to the league secretary, treasurer and scorer. Payment of league dues at \$5 per swimmer must also be received by the treasurer by June 7, 2024, with a late fee of \$50 for untimely submission. It was noted that additions can be made to rosters after June 7, 2024, with payment made accordingly.

President Gobrecht noted that the information emailed to all teams included information about dual meets, invitational meets, divisional meets, All Stars, and Mid Caps. President Gobrecht noted that Bill Sterner will be sending the dual meets

schedule to all teams after revisions based on discussions at this meeting. Mike noted that in dual meets the home team will swim in odd lanes and the visiting team will swim in even lanes. The number of scoring lanes must be stated in the league roster. President Gobrecht noted that there are no changes to start times or number of lanes once the season begins without prior mutual agreement. He also noted that all teams are required to email the Hy-Tek meet backup file to Mike Gobrecht and to Bill Sterner, with dual meet scores (age group and total) to Bill Sterner. There will be a Hy-Teck training meeting on June 4, 2024, at 6:30 p.m. by Zoom. Both files must be sent by Sunday at 12:00 Noon following each dual meet, noting a late fee of \$25 will be assessed for each incident/meet. President Gobrecht stated that he and Bill Sterner must both be notified as to dual meet date changes.

Invitational meets will be listed on the website under "League Invites." By consensus, it was determined that league invites may count as one of the three required meets for postseason competition for each swimmer competing in a listed invitational meet. The CASL "league invites" will be the Spring Grove "Splash in the Grove" and the Carlisle Invitational.

The divisional meets will be held as follows:

AAAA:

@ Northeastern High School (yards)

AAA:

@ Dover High School (yards)

AA:

@ Spring Grove High School (yards)

A:

@ Aquatic Club of the West Shore (yards)

President Gobrecht also reviewed details about the divisional meets as follows:

Divisional Awards: Ribbons 1st through 8th places (purchased by CASL).

- 1. Entries are due by Sunday, July 14, 2024, by 7 p.m., submitted to each host.
- 2. Entry lists will be emailed to coaches by each meet host by Monday, July 15, 2024, by 7 p.m.
- 3. Corrections for spelling or entry times must be submitted to each meet host by Tuesday, July 16, 2024, by 7 p.m.
- 4. Psych sheets will be posted on the CASL website by Wednesday, July 17, 2024, at 7 p.m.
- 5. Each divisional host will schedule meet warmup sessions with the limitation of 15-20 swimmers per lane.

President Mike noted that the Gary Shank All Star Meet will be held with 8 lanes (yards), hosted by Keystone Aquatic.

The Mid Cap meet will be held as one session at Palmyra Community Pool (outdoors). A swimmer can swim a maximum of three events. Tom Brenner will coordinate meet officials, with six officials to be provided by each league. He noted that each team is provided one timer. He reported that efforts will be made to fill all lanes for

each event, so if one league does not have qualified entries for all lanes, the host will make contacts to fill the empty lanes with swimmers from the other league.

The next item on the agenda concerned rules interpretation as per Tom Brenner. NHS Federation Rule Books were delivered to each team prior to the meeting. There will be a CASL Zoom meeting about officials on Monday, May 28, hosted by Tom Brenner, to review rules for local club officials. He stated that all dual meets should have at least one certified official who will serve as the starter/referee. There were three reminders noted as follows:

- 1. A swimmer's age is as of June 1, 2024.
- 2. All age groups (including 8 and under) can swim four events, no more than three of which are individual events.
- 3. In Divisionals and All Stars, a swimmer can swim three events total, in all age groups.

After discussion, by consensus, the CASL Rule allowing a swimmer in any 8-and-under individual event to false start without disqualification was eliminated. This change is consistent with the MidPenn Swim League.

Old business included the discussion of the two CASL Scholarships. CASL will award two \$1,000 scholarships, one to a boy and one to a girl. Applicants must have swum a minimum of four years in the CASL and must submit an application to the scholarship committee, including details about academics, community volunteerism, future plans, and a narrative as to what swimming in the CASL has meant to the applicant. Application information will be posted on the CASL website. The scholarships will be awarded at the All Star meet.

Concerning new business, President Gobrecht announced that a trophy will be awarded to the winning league at the Mid Cap meet. Points will be awarded for 16 places in individual events and 8 places in relay events. Tom Brenner announced that each league will supply 6 officials with USA swimming, YMCA or PIAA qualifications. Each team must supply two timers. Finally, there was discussion as to the number of events for each swimmer in championship meets, currently three events. The proposal that may be made at the fall meeting would enable a swimmer to swim in four events at a championship meet, two individual events and two relay events.

The CASL Fall meeting was set for Monday, October 21, 2024, at 7 p.m. via Zoom.

Submitted by,

Jeff Boswell, Secretary

Date: May 6, 2024