

Manchester Swim Club

Meeting Date: June 20, 2013

Date of Approval _____ 8/20/13 _____

Call to Order: A regular board meeting of Manchester Swim Club was held at Glenbrooke Swim and Tennis Club, 429 Oak Street, East Hartford, CT 6/20/2013. The meeting convened at 5:35 p.m. Board members in attendance were President~Joe Guenther, Secretary~Suzanne Michaud and USA Liaison~Diane Smyth.

Approval of Minutes From Prior Board Meeting: The Minutes of the Board Meeting held on May 28, 2013 were approved, and posted to the Manchester Swim Club website.

Meeting Discussions:

- The REC fee discount for the 2013-2014 season will be reduced for second and third swimmers to \$50.00 rather than \$100.00. Diane Smyth researched other teams and our discount was giving a much higher discount than other teams. Only a couple other teams give a \$50.00 discount; most only give a 5% or 10% discount. This extra income is required to hire a coach that is able to work more hours than Beth did last season, to pay for a lifeguard, and to cover the cost of two coaches for continued practices due to a life guard being required. In previous seasons, Ron coached the continued practices on his own. Lowering the discount for multiple swimmers enables the current fees to remain the same for the 2013-2014 swim season.
- USA fees will to be increased by \$25.00. The fees have been the same since at least 2008. Our fee includes USA registration which has gone up by at least \$1.00 each winter season and between \$.50 and \$1.00 each long-course season since then. The cost is increasing by \$2.00 each season going forward. This has meant that each year, less and less of the fees are going to MSC. Raising our fees by \$25.00 will compensate for the raised registration fees.
- Joe Guenther to obtain a copy of the December 2012 addendum to our contract, and will discuss with Patricia Brooks the requirement of having two coaches and a lifeguard on deck.
- MSC Board meetings will be held at Glenbrooke through the summer months. A meeting schedule will be set for the season, and once established will be posted to the Manchester Swim Club website. The next Board meeting to be scheduled for mid-July.
- K&M Graphics will be our new logo-wear vendor. K&M will attend our next Board meeting to talk about the products/service they will offer to MSC, and to share sample products. Club members will be able to make on-line purchases anytime throughout the year. K&M Graphics will maintain a web page which will be accessed through our MSC website. Prices are in-line with what we are paying right now, and there is no extra fee for the web page or being able to shop on-line.
- At the next meeting we will discuss a "no-show" work penalty fee for both REC and USA meets. The suggestion would be \$25.00 for a no-show (only if the person doesn't find a replacement). This will be included in the MSC handbook for next season.

- Our MSC bill is paid in full for the last REC season. Joe had several conversations with Pat Brooks and Bette Copeland in regards to discounting us for the month we were not in the water. They felt that we are already receiving a substantial discount, and it was decided not to pursue this any further.
- Family's with unpaid balances from previous season will not be permitted to re-register until all fees are paid, and will be placed at the bottom of the waiting list for re-registration.
- Concession fees will remain the same as the 2012-2013 season; \$6.00/swimmer, \$10 family max.
- Our current team suit will be re-used for the 2013-2014 season. The current suit is a two-year suit, and this will be year two.
- A tropical theme was discussed for next-year's end of season banquet.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 6:50 p.m.

Suzanne Michaud

Suzanne Michaud, Secretary

7/15/2013

Date