

# **ROCKET CITY SWIM LEAGUE**

## **MINUTES**

**Thursday, August 18, 2005**

The fifth meeting of the 2005 RCSL swim season was called to order at the YMCA by Holly Holder, President. The time was 7:15 p.m. Joe Scrip, 2nd VP Swim, Scott Cardno, Treasurer, and Judy Satterfield, Secretary, were present. Christie Kubichan and Beth Morris were absent. A swim team representative roll call was taken. One half of the swim team representatives were present. The minutes from the June 30, 2005 meeting were approved. A handout of suggestions regarding City Meet Clerk of Course from Tina Clarke, was provided. All teams were encouraged to utilize the RCSL website and to send in pictures of their teams.

The following topics were discussed and or proposed:

A tentative 2006 dual meet schedule was provided and will be confirmed by the RCSL board at the first meeting held after the USA Swimming schedule is released.

1. Dual meets that need to be re-scored should be done within a timely basis of two weeks.
2. Can bull horns be adapted to sound without a click because of false starts?
3. Should a child be allowed to swim up for one meet if he/she has to move up for City Meet?
4. A league publicity person is needed for all dual meets and City Meet.

### **City Meet**

1. A proposal was requested to have the method that was used for this years "entry scratch and add" be accepted into the Rules of Competition.
2. The loud speaker system must be improved and monitored throughout the meet – need a person to coordinate with Nat.
3. A policy for vendors regarding profit and locations needs to be determined.
4. A 2006 deadline for ads in the heat sheets will be firm. Pools need to start soliciting earlier.
5. A deck marshal needs to be assigned during warm ups to assure pools use the same lane assignments in the AM/PM.
6. Reevaluate order of events such as moving mixed relay to Sunday to give children more time between events on Saturday morning.
7. Labels/ribbons – RCSL to provide all exhibition labels and ribbons for city meet in addition to providing exhibition ribbons for dual meets. Also, a suggestion was made to improve the diving ribbons.
8. Tents – have one person from league place order to vendor for all rentals and to sign off on placement, all tents to be the same size, against the fence, and all tents must have a fire extinguisher per fire code regulations.
9. T-shirts/heat sheets – combine job of selling both to one pool.
10. Concessions – need more food variety for breakfast and lunch, dive meet must provide own concessions indoors. Sherwood and Sharon Johnson will be responsible for 2006 concessions.
11. Clerk of Course 2006 – Jones Valley will have the girls side and Monte Sano will have the boys side. There were several suggestions for next year from the team responsible for 2005 COC that included the following:

1. Use additional ropes for the younger children on the deep end side because they have further to go and did not want to put two heats on one rope.
2. A clear definition of what age group MUST sit in COC until time to go to the blocks. There is a concern that some older kids, up to 13-14 that do not swim year round still need assistance.
3. If a child misses a heat due to COC then the meet should stop and allow COC to regroup and get those children to the blocks.
4. When cards are left on COC board after all the kids are seated, COC should request help from the pools to determine if the kids are in fact there or not.
5. Provide a volunteer from each pool to keep the event numbers posted consistently.
6. COC volunteers have a stressful job to do and greatly appreciate when coaches and parents are courteous and helpful to them.

The next meeting will be announced in late winter. The tentative City Meet dates for 2006 are July 14 – 16th. Holly Holder, President adjourned the meeting at 8:30 p.m.

Submitted,

Judy Satterfield  
Secretary