

BCSA Meeting Minutes

Call to Order-7:00 by Jim Burkman BCSA President (48 members in attendance)

Introduction of Board of Directors:

President-Jim Burkman

VP & Dual Meet Commissioner- Bob Heebner

Corresponding Secretary- Dave Connors (Unable to attend) *Thank you to Dan Megill for handling registration*

Secretary- Tom Houck

Treasurer- Scott Troy

Member at Large- Kate Fanning

Member at Large/Diving Commissioner- Patty Pinkerton

Approval of the April Minutes- (provided on the screen and posted on the BCSA website).No discussion.
Motion to approve made by Shana Matz and 2nd by Maurice Brown. All Approved- Minutes Approved.

Financial Statement- Review by Treasure Scott Troy. Jim reviewed that increase in funds was due to the fact that BCSA purchases the awards in bulk every 2 years. Summer of 2020 new awards will have to be purchased. Chuck Bartlett asked for clarification with the expenses in the Chris Heebner Memorial fund. Patty reviewed that expenses were supplies and technology used to run the diving competitions .

Patty talked about heat sheets losing money. Jim reviewed sponsorships that are received put the printing of heat sheets in the 'black'. There was discussion on alternatives to printing heat sheets and sponsorship opportunities. Executive board will review alternatives and make proposals/suggestions at the spring meeting.

Question was asked about the tent fee and why BCSA does not purchase their own tent. Jim explained that in the past BCSA had a tent and the storage and logistics of set up and take down proved to be difficult.

Motion to approve made by Jan Geibel and 2nd by Jim Burkman. All Approved- Financial Statement Approved

Correspondence

- A. Green Valley vs Boyertown dual meet- Boyertown provided a letter to the executive board addressing events that occurred during and after the meet. Green Valley provided a response letter to both the executive board and Boyertown. The BCSA board did a thorough investigation and met with representatives from both pools before the county championship meet and provided each pool with a response letter. Jim reviewed that there

is a Code of Conduct for BCSA participants. However, the current constitution does not provide penalty options. The Constitution committee will review the Code of Conduct and make suggestions for possible penalties in the future. Jim asked to please be mindful on how everyone conducts themselves before, during, and after meets. Please always remember that this is a youth sport.

Old Business:

- A. Meet Manager was used by most of the teams this summer but not by all. Meet Manager is not required, yet. The Grant committee will help offset the cost of meet manager if needed. Questions were brought up about training for meet manager. Shana Matz shared that the tri-county swim league will be hosting a training session this winter. Dan Megill said that there are written step by step directions on how to run MM. The executive committee is looking to host some training session next season.
- B. Constitution Committee is asked to meet prior to the spring meeting
- C. Grant Committee is asked to meet prior to the spring meeting.

New Business

- A. Bob Heebner reviewed the division winners and shared that the season ran fairly smoothly.
- B. Patty Pinkerton reviewed the diving season and recognized and congratulated Bob Biese on his retirement after his 40 years of service to Berks County diving.
- C. Silver and Counties- Jim reviewed the roster numbers and showed how the numbers are going down. Even though the roster numbers are going down, the championship numbers are going up. Both championship meets ran very well. Thank you to Ken Grill and Green Valley for hosting the championships. The PIAA officials were once again used to officiate the championships. It was in agreement that the PIAA officials did a good job. A donation to the Berks County Chapter of PIAA officials will be made as a thank you for their service.
- D. The TENTATIVE 2020 master schedule was shared. Wyomissing announced that they will be taking a year off from their long course meet. They will resume the meet in the 2021 season and host the meet on a Saturday. The master schedule will be finalized at the spring meeting.

Patty Pinkerton shared her concern with having the diving meet over two days. Since diving numbers are low, having the meet on two different days makes the meet a very disjointed event. It was asked to provide suggestions for the spring meeting.

- E. 2020 Dual meet divisions- Jim reviewed two different recommendations. Review of how the recommendations on how divisions are proposed and discussed. Discussion followed about the 2 recommendations. Shana Matz shared how option 2 (this is the option that had one division of GV, Shi, Boy) was a big disadvantage to Shillington. Representatives from Green Valley, Shillington, and Boyertown all stated that they are

not in favor of option 2. The executive committee will have options to approve at the spring meeting.

- F. Jim Burkman made the decision to waive the teams \$25 league fee if they provided at least \$100 in sponsorship and/or 2 new members. Teams that have their \$25 league fee waived for the 2020 season are: Antietam, Bern Township, Boyertown, Conrad Weiser, Green Valley, Ken Grill, Laurel Run, Leesport, Lincoln Park, Wilshire, Womelsdorf, Kutztown, and Shillington.
- G. Bids for the 2020 championships (posted on website)- Ken Grill for Silver and Green Valley for Counties (diving and swimming) **All Approved- Bids Approved**

OTHER

- A. Proposal for a sprint league was presented by Jim Goodreau from Kutztown. The proposal called for change to the dual meet format to have 50's in place of 100's for 13 and overs. The proposal calls for no change to the county championships but changes the 100s in the silver meet to 50s. Discussion on the pros and cons of changing the league. Some stated that the pro would help retain some summer swimmers and the cons was that it could turn some verteran swimmers away from the league. Concern was brought up on how athletes could qualify for counties. Jim Goodreau agreed to table the proposal to the spring meeting. So no vote occured.
- B. The executive committee will make suggestions to be discussed and voted on at the spring meeting. If any other suggestions for the fall meeting would need 5 member signatures and send to the league president 2 weeks prior to the meeting date.

Motion to adjourn was made by Bob Heebner and 2nd by Nancee Wenzel Meeting was adjourned 9:00PM

POST ADJOURNMENT- Bob Heebner handed in his resignation from the BCSA board due. Bob will be moving out of the state. The board would like to thank Bob for his 40 plus years of service to Berks County Swimming and Diving.