

# METROPOLITAN SWIMMING, INC.



## BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

Wednesday, May 4, 2022

Board Meeting – ZOOM

**PRESENT:** Eric Fisher, Mary Fleckenstein, Monique Grayson, Dom Boccio, Zac Hojnacki, Allen Wone, Lamar DeCasseres, Kate Hallex, John Yearwood, David Ellinghaus, and Frankie Andersen

**ABSENT:** Don Wagner, Stanley Wong, John McIlhargy, Robert Frawley, Brian Hansbury, Thomas Cho

1. **WELCOME/ROLL CALL:** Eric Fisher welcomed everyone present at this virtual Board meeting which was called to order at 7:03pm.
2. **ACCEPTANCE/CORRECTIONS OF MINUTES:**  
A motion to approve the Minutes of April 6, 2022. Motion was made seconded and approved by all.  
**Motion carries.**
3. **GENERAL CHAIR:** Eric Fisher
  - 1: Athletes Reps. - Eric thanked Thomas Cho for his 2 years of service as Athletes Representative. Frankie Andersen will now become Senior Athlete and Joseph Apat is the new Junior Athlete.
  - 2: Metro Bag Tags – Mary showed us 3 pictures. Discussion followed. \$2 per tag with a minimum of 500. A motion was made to purchase 10,000 Metro Shield bag tags to give something back to the teams. The motion was seconded. More discussion followed. All were in favor. **Motion carries.**
  - 3: HOD – Many reports are posted but we still need a few before May 18<sup>th</sup>. We also need people to step up and volunteer for office. Eric thanked Monique for her years of service as secretary.
  - 4: Age Group – Kate Hallex said that at the time of this meeting, there were no host for LC Zones. She was waiting to hear from the Eastern Zone about this.
  - 5: Workshop in Denver – Mary, Kim, John Y., Monique, Thomas, and Frankie all went to a USA-Swimming SWIMS 3.0 workshop in Denver. OMR (Online Member Registration) is happening as early as September 2023.
  - 6: Finances – Allen Wone  
**Administrators** (Meet Marshals, Club Board Members) will need to be registered with USA Swimming – Recommendation that the Metro Board does not add on an LSC fees to administrator registrations of \$30. Background Checks and APT will also be required. Discussion followed. A motion to **not** add any fee on the Administrators membership. Motion was seconded and approved by all. **Motion carries.**  
**A proposal** was made to the Finance Committee from Open Water. They would like to secure \$6,000 for a stipend for teams that run an OW meet (if a few teams combine to run an open water meet, they will receive a \$1,000 stipend). This is to encourage teams to run OW meets. Subsequently, Mary recommended adding a line item to the 2022-2023 budget, for \$6,000 for OW, to be distributed after further information from the teams hosting an OW meet this year. The 2022-23 budget will be presented in September. If this is approved, we would have to update the P&P Manual also, and this line item would have to be approved by the HOD. We will not determine at this time how the money will be allocated. A motion to add the line item to the budget was made, seconded, and approved by all. **Motion carries.**

**A proposal** from Frank Seldin, of the finance committee, is to expend the funds of the annuity. This proposal was also sent Mr. Hansbury and to the Accounting Firm. This proposal is to make Metro fiscally responsible. Maybe create something on education for athletes and coaches. The balance sheet is needed before we can even investigate this proposal. At this point, the Board does not recommend this proposal. It needs to go back to the Finance Committee for more work.

**HOD** – will an audio/video recording be available for the HOD on the 18<sup>th</sup>? Eric will try to figure something out.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made, seconded, and approved by all. **Motion carries.** Meeting adjourned at 7:44pm.

**Next BOD Meeting will be TBA**

Respectfully submitted by Monique Grayson.

May 16, 2022