

## Midlakes Swim League Fall General Meeting Agenda Tuesday, October 17, 2017 at 7:00 pm

- 1) Calendar (Confirmed)
  - a. Dual meets begin – June 19/21
  - b. Division Champs – July 21
  - c. League Champs: Prelims – July 23-25; Finals - Sunday, July 29 at KCAC
  
- 2) Reports
  - a. Treasurer
    - i. Financial overview & governance
    - ii. Merchandising - Sales tax issue
    - iii. Champs hosting financial calibration & opps (carry from 2016)
  - b. President
    - i. Thank you championship hosts
      1. League & Prelims - RH, MH, PL, MIBC, SAM, NH
      2. Division - EB, KLA, KGR, PLAT, WR
    - ii. Protest (VP)
    - iii. 2017 initiatives / pilots
  
- 3) Board Position(s)
  - a. New / Need - Division Rep, Officials Admin, Awards, Diving, Merchandising (non-voting)
  - b. Officer election – VP, President
  
- 4) Board Administrative issues
  - a. Operating Plan and By-Law proposed changes
    - i. Completed – 2016/2017 meetings
      1. Eliminated protest process redundancy and inconsistency
      2. Objective meet schedule by seeding
    - ii. Current meeting
      1. Eligibility language
    - iii. For Spring 2018 meeting
      1. *Operating Plan refinement (not policy, just writing/org)*
  
- 5) Board Mission / Operating initiatives
  - a. SPLASH 2.0
  - b. Standing committee initiatives
    - i. Competitive Structure - Winter 2017/2018 focus
      1. Division Alignment proposal to consider geographic/traffic issues
      2. 6-Place/scoring system
      3. Informal coaches' survey – instant pulse, part of evolutionary process
        - a. Events, Championships, etc
    - ii. Technology
      1. Hy-tek – Team Manager / Meet Manager
      2. Meet Central / HydroSphere
      3. Swimtopia
      4. Team Unify



Midlakes 2017 Results						
DIVISION I	A-WIN	A-LOSS	A-TIE	B-WIN	B-LOSS	Division I
Edgebrook (EB)	3	2		5	0	Winner A's <b>NHST</b>
Mercer Island Beach Club (MIBC)	1	4		0	5	Winner B's <b>EB</b>
Mercerwood Shore Club (MSC)	1	4		2	3	Winner B Champs <b>EB</b>
Newport Hills (NH)	5	0		3	2	
Samena (SAM)	3	2		4	1	
Mercer Island Country Club (MICC)	2	3		1	4	
DIVISION II	A-WIN	A-LOSS	A-TIE	B-WIN	B-LOSS	Division II
Overlake Golf and Country Club (OL)	3	2		3	1	Winner A's <b>KLA</b>
Klahanie (KLA)	4	1		1	4	Winner B's <b>TRI</b>
Fairwood (FW)	3	2		2	3	Winner B Champs <b>KLA</b>
Somerset (SS)	2	3		3	2	
Triangle (TRI)	1	4		4	1	
Tam O'Shanter (TOS)	2	3		1	3	
DIVISION III	A-WIN	A-LOSS	A-TIE	B-WIN	B-LOSS	Division III
Kingsgate Royals (KGR)	4	1		4	0	Winner A's <b>KGR</b>
Strattonwood (SW)	3	2		3	1	Winner B's <b>KGR</b>
Maple Hills (MH)	1	4		1	4	Winner B Champs <b>KGR</b>
Kingsgate Monarchs (KGM)	1	3	1	1	3	
Phantom Lake (PL)	2	2	1	2	2	
Rolling Hills (RHST)	3	2		1	3	
DIVISION IV	A-WIN	A-LOSS	A-TIE	B-WIN	B-LOSS	Division IV
Norwood (NW)	4	0		2	1	Winner A's <b>NW</b>
Seattle Tennis Club (STC)	2	2		2	1	Winner B's <b>KGG</b>
Snoqualmie Ridge (SR)	1	3		0	3	Winner B Champs <b>KGG</b>
Kingsgate Gators (KGG)	2	2		3	0	
Plateau Club (PLAT)	1	3		1	3	
DIVISION V	A-WIN	A-LOSS	A-TIE	B-WIN	B-LOSS	Division V
HighWoodlands (HW)	2	2		n/a	n/a	Winner A's <b>WR</b>
Newport Yacht Club (NYC)	0	3		n/a	n/a	Winner B's <b>n/a</b>
Woodridge (WR)	3	0		n/a	n/a	Winner B Champs <b>WR</b>
League Champs Results						
Team	Score					
Newport Hills	1,536					
Edgebrook	1,381					
MIBC	1,260					
MICC	1,199					
Fairwood	1,182					
Mercerwood	1,130					
Samena	1,029					
Overlake	773					
Strattonwood	657					
Klahanie	630					
Phantom Lake	591					
Triangle	557					
Somerset	499					
Kingsgate Royals	458					
NYC	431					
Rolling Hills	380					
Tam O'Shanter	366					
Woodridge	353					
STC	353					
Kingsgate Gators	322					
TPCSR	310					
Norwood	283					
Kingsgate Monarchs	271					
Maple Hills	270					
Plateau Club	244					
High Woodlands	126					



## 2017 Fall Meeting Operating Plan and By-Law considerations

### 1) Amend Eligibility language to provide flexibility and clarify spirit of rules

#### A. Amendment requirements

- a. By-Laws: Article VII requires all-member vote with 2/3 approval

#### B. Problem / Solution

- a. Current eligibility language requires that swimmers be "bona-fide" members of clubs "admitted to membership on the same basis as all other members..."

- 1) This (incorrectly) presumes clubs have a single membership type rather than multiple types, though it also seems to imply clubs cannot use non-member swimmers
- 2) In practice, clubs have multiple structures, including summer swim/pool memberships

- b. Clubs may rightfully establish own policies; however, the evolution of this rule's interpretation continues to create resentment and unfair skewing of scoring and results when "crossing a line"

- c. Solution: Enable clubs to establish their own membership policies, but with constraint for potential swimmers who are truly non-members to avoid "stacking" and "recruiting"

#### C. Current Language

- a. By-Laws: ARTICLE III: Membership Dues and Rights, Part C, "Eligibility"

- 1) All the contestants in league-sponsored meets must be bona fide members of the club they represent with the exception of diving...

##### a) Participation will not be allowed:

- a. If membership in the club is a result of employment
  - i. If a coach is also a swimmer, proof of club membership must be provided
- b. Due to inconsistent membership policy - participants must have been admitted to membership on the same basis as all other members and without regard to ability.
- c. By using the membership of another family for the purposes of swimming
- d. If a swimmer is not listed on a club's official team roster submitted to Midlakes Swim League prior to any meet. See Club Requirements in Operating Plan.

#### D. Proposal

- a. By-Laws: ARTICLE III: Membership Dues and Rights, Part C, "Eligibility"

- 1) All contestants in league-sponsored meets must be certified (removed "bona-fide) members of the club they represent with the exception of diving which shall be governed...

- 2) (New Part C, 2.) Only club members are eligible to swim for a member team. Club membership is determined by that club's by-laws.

- a) Each club shall provide a copy of its by-laws prior to the first day of practice.
- b) A new club shall provide a copy of its by-laws prior to the first day of practice.
- c) The league must be notified of any change to the membership requirements of a team prior to the first day of practice.
- d) An eligible participant is one who:
  - a. has full swimming privileges of the club's swimming facilities during the summer swim league season.



- i. Summer swim league season is defined as the first eligible day of Midlakes practice through the end of League Championships.
- e) (former Part C, 1, a) Participation will not be allowed:
  - a. If membership in the club is a result of seasonal or part-time employment
    - i. If a coach is also a swimmer, proof of club membership must be provided
  - b. Due to inconsistent membership policy - participants must have been admitted to membership on the same basis as all other members and without regard to ability.
  - c. By using the membership of another family for the purposes of swimming
  - d. If a swimmer is not listed on a club's official team roster submitted to Midlakes...prior to any meet. See Club Requirements in Operating Plan.
  - f) (Same as Part C, 1. b) If a family has a membership in more than one club...

E. Benchmark policies / language considered

a. Benchmark - SSSL: 16 teams, 2 Divs, XX swimmers

- 1) "Any swimmer is eligible to compete in SSSL competition whose family is a dues paying member meeting the normal financial responsibility of that swim club to include full use of the pool for the entire summer season for the entire family or is a child of the manager or head coach."

b. Benchmark - GRAL: 30 teams, 4 Divs, 3,700 swimmers

- 1) "The roster shall contain a certification by the President or Membership Chairman of the member club that all swimmers on the roster are members in good standing of the member club. A swimmer is a member in good standing if the swimmer has full use of the swimming facilities of the club and has been admitted to membership, paid all applicable dues and fees, and complied with all rules and regulations of the member club, association, or organization."

c. Benchmark - NVSL: 102 teams, 6 Divs, 17,752 swimmers

- 1) "Only families of OWNERS, families of APPROVED RENTERS and families of APPROVED USERS, as defined below, shall be eligible to participate in League activities.
- 2) An OWNER is one who owns at least one *pro rata* share of the assets of a League pool, and pays for full family swimming privileges at the pool...
- 3) An APPROVED RENTER is a renter of a house who pays for full swimming privileges...
- 4) An APPROVED USER is one
  - a) whose family has the full swimming privileges of the pool,
  - b) Swimmers who have individual swimming privileges rather than family privileges shall not be eligible to compete..."

d. Benchmark - ASA: 108 teams, 6 Divs, 17,000 swimmers

- 1) "Team Membership: A swimmer may represent only one team within the league. Only club members are eligible to swim for a member team. Club membership is determined by that club's by-laws. Each new club in the league shall provide a copy of their by-laws prior to their first year of competition. The league should be notified of any significant changes to the membership requirements of a team."

e. Benchmark - JRAC: 20 teams, 3 Div, 3,000 swimmers

- 1) "Member Clubs. Only dues-paying members (individual or families) of a JRAC club shall swim in a JRAC meet. *\*\*4 speed categories mitigates non-member swimmer impact*