

Minutes Tri-State Meeting

August 25th 2012

President Mike McCaffree called the meeting to order

Item 1: Verbal role call of teams- All teams present

Mike read mission statement of league to remind all of our focus and read the purpose statement of Tri-state. He reminded everyone that, while we all want to see our teams do well, let's make decisions that look out for league as a whole.

Item 2: Corrections and Approval of spring meeting minutes- Pitt motion to approve 2nd by Joplin, no other discussion or questions. All in favor, none opposed

Item 3: Treasurer's report and approval of expenses:

Elaine gave each team a copy of the treasurers report, reminder to pay insurance if applicable

Approval for receipts for refreshments- Nevada motion, Claremore second all in favor

Nevada motion to approve Treasurers report, Pittsburg second, No other questions, All in favor, none opposed.

A word of appreciation was given by Joplin for all of the effort and work Elaine puts in and how much it is appreciated, others echoed the same.

Item 4: Presentation of proposed 2013 Timestandards

Noted by Charlie that the B meet was unusually large so he kept the A around 5 heats/30 kids per event and whatever swimmers are beyond that in an event makes up the B meet

A paper with the standards was handed to each team to review and then approval would be voted on at the spring 2013 meeting

Item 5: Selection of A and B Championship locations

B Championships- Claremore nominated, no other bids, Nevada motioned, Webb 2nd, all in favor and none opposed

A Championships- Siloam nominated, no other bids, Nevada motioned, 2nd by Claremore, all in favor none opposed

Item 6: Selection of Meet Invitational weekends for 2013- Listed in the Order Chosen

Claremore selected the B meet so the selections continued with Parsons

Parsons- June 15/16

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Joplin- July 13/14

Carthage- June 29/30

Siloam Springs had selected the A meet so selection continued with Branson

Branson – July 6/7

Monett- June 22/23

Lamar – July 20/21

MSA- June 8/9

Webb City- June 1

Pittsburg took a bye

Nevada took a bye

Item 7: Selection of Tri-State officers

Vice President- Charlie Haverstick nominated by Claremore, all in favor, none opposed

Secretary- Christin Janssen nominated by Pittsburg, All in favor, none opposed

Head Official- Bob Cummins nominated by Monett, All in favor, none opposed

Item 8: Officers Reports- No new reports just information given

We now have over 1000 swimmers in the league

Tri-State is now Incorporated as approved at the Spring 2012 meeting

Our insurance Money collection puts us over the 10,000 threshold so we must move more quickly on the 501c3 Status- will be brought up during New Business

Tri-State website is up and running, Shawn from Webb helped keep things posted in a timely manner and it is greatly appreciated

We have a tie on some Tri-state records so make sure your team uploads both files Charlie sends so it appears correct in the heat sheets

Item 9: New Business

Webb City- Discussed trading the relays moving the Medley to Sunday and the Free to Saturday, after much discussion of concern that less experienced swimmers would not come on Sundays

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without the free relay as at least “another event” this idea did not proceed any further and was not made a motion or rule change.

Carthage- Discussed wanting to move the Sunday morning Free relays back to the end of the day, Much discussion continued. It was determined this was a bylaw change so 2/3 of the teams needed to approve opening the floor to this vote of a bylaw change. A paper circulated and 2/3 did approve opening the floor to voting on this bylaw change.

The Motion to Move the Sunday Freestyle Relays back to the End of the day passed with 10 in favor and 2 opposed- Webb city and Nevada were opposed, all other teams in favor

Reminder again that we should be cautious in making rule changes and have them well thought through

Joplin expressed a concern on the price of heat sheets. A reminder was given to ensure the price you list in your meet invite for heat sheets is followed when selling them at your meet

Carthage expressed concern with Meet Mobile posting results immediately and DQ's and errors are not factored in yet. A reminder was given to remind parents that the results are not final until Bob finalizes them and the scoreboard, papers taped on the wall and Meet Mobile are not always accurate.

Elaine mentioned that our 501c3 must be filed by March but we need a bylaw change to pursue this status- Parsons Requested the bylaws be opened and circulated a petition

Motion was made unanimously to open the Bylaws to allow Elaine to file for 501c3 status and pay the fees associated with it. All teams were in favor of any by-law changes required or needed as dictated by the IRS and all associated fees.

Discussion occurred from Bob regarding order of events and all were reminded that the order of events is part of the bylaws and each team must follow this order at their invitationals.

Bob handed out a report with how many officials were at each meet and which team they were from. He noted this year had a very low amount of DQ's questioned. This year was better with the amount of officials. Reminder that they are volunteers and let's continue to encourage volunteers from our teams.

Tentative Date for Officials Training- April 14th 2:00pm-5:00pm

Motion to Adjourn by Nevada, second by Pittsburg, All in Favor, meeting adjourned

Respectfully Submitted,

Christin Janssen

Tri-State Secretary