

Minutes from the Terrapin Masters Swim Club board meeting: February 4, 2006, at the Campus Recreation Center (CRC), University of Maryland. Approved March 3, 2006

Attendees: Jim Nealis, Andy Ellis, Mike Lee, Carolyn Voorhees, and Diana Corbin

The meeting was called to order at 11:15 a.m.

Having just completed our first “Bagels with the Coach” session with UM Varsity Coach Dave Durden, we discussed themes for future projects, including a session on starts and turns, nutrition, possibly a Master’s “Fantasy Camp”, dry land training, and a “Swim with Fred” pool workout with sprinter Fred Bousquet, who may become a volunteer assistant coach for the Varsity team.

The issue of hosting Terrapin Masters swim meets was again raised. The Terrapin Cup, proposed for July, was discussed. Campus Recreation indicated that only July 9<sup>th</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup> are open dates to host a summer meet in 2006. The facilities are undergoing renovations in May. June dates are not available because Coach Durden is planning age group training then. August and September are unavailable because CRC is prepping the facilities and new staff for the fall semester.

In general the Board did not want meets to compete with each other, rather meets should complement one another or be scheduled so that Terrapin Masters can use the CRC facilities to host meets when the facilities are available. There was also a consensus that it would be best for all concerned to encourage Dave Diehl to work with and potentially link the long distance meets with shorter distance meets such as the Terrapin Cup. The discussion to hold all meets at CRC on the same day was raised, but pool availability might be of concern, with CRC desiring we complete meets by noon or 1 p.m. And the issue of how to properly allocate meet monies was discussed. Andy Ellis wondered if we must have all meets sanctioned by Potomac Valley or if we could have another LMSC provide a meet sanction. It was decided we should work within the PV structure to achieve our objectives of holding high quality, well-attended meets in the CRC pool.

Jim Nealis was asked to be treasurer for the team, and accepted. He will go to Chevy Chase Bank and set up a new team account using the EIN number provided by Bill Shipp. Mike Lee turned over monies from last summer’s Terrapin Cup for deposit into the new account. Nealis, Ellis, and Lee will be signatories on this account.

Carolyn Voorhees asked about the possibility of a team suit or apparel design. No decision was made on that issue.

Jim Nealis was asked to send out a “mass e-mail” to remind everyone to sign up for USMS membership. Mike Lee stated CRC would begin to check the USMS list of registered swimmers against CRC’s list of Terrapin Masters swipe-card holders – those not registered with USMS may lose the ability to swim with us at the CRC.

The meeting ended about 12:15 p.m.