

CASL Chattanooga Area Swim League, Inc.

Minutes of Regular Board Meeting March 10, 2010

The Board met on Thursday, March 10th at 6:30 p.m. at the downtown YMCA with the following members present:

Members in attendance: Henry Tharpe(Dalton), George Thomas (Hamilton YMCA), Missy Smith (STH), Kristie Perry (RBST), Stephanie Malone (CYF), Les Rowe (FTO), Roger Young (Dalton), Charles Todd (Dalton), Michael Mathis (CGCC), Buck Meyer (CAT), Doug Fuller (CAT), James Bevill (Fairlyland), Caroline Caulkins (Fairlyland), Carol Noblitt (Ridgeside), Dale Tillman (CYF), Linda Brubaker (Ringgold), Tony Swink (Calhoun), Ronnie Kimball (CGCC), Janet Pickett (Signal Mtn), Jim Chow.

This was a special called meeting of the CASL Board to discuss the issue of a place to hold the City Meet this summer.

Jim Chow called the meeting to order and established that a quorum was present.

Mr. Chow gave information about the drainage problems and repair work needed at the Baylor pool this summer. This will prevent the City Meet from being held there. The other option of Warner Park was not available due to the softball schedule there this summer. The parking is not adequate to host softball and a large swim meet. This pool would only be an option if the meet was held on a weekday. Mr. Tharpe said that the amount of experienced Dalton parents that can run the meet is not enough to have the meet at Warner Park. This would also be complicated by having to have parents take days off work in the middle of the week. Also, the availability of the Officials to be off work might be difficult. Mr. Tharpe stated that it would also be difficult to host the meet in Dalton. This would require using 2 pools, thus doubling the need for the number of officials, coaches, workers and possibly split parents between the pools. The pools are also only 6 lanes. The pool at McCallie is not an option. It has previously been used and the school does not want to host again. The suggestion was put forward for Ft. Oglethorpe to host the meet. They have a new 8 lane pool. We also could keep the meet on the same dates previously voted on. The parking is limited, but the church across the street has opened their parking lot to use. Charles Todd said that they are working with the city of Ft. Oglethorpe to set up some shuttles to outlying businesses for additional parking. There is the ability to have starting blocks at both ends of the pool for the 8 & unders. There is a pavilion, a large grassy area & some tennis courts available for the swimmers to stay. Deck space is limited, but Mr. Tharpe stated they are working to possibly get more bleachers brought in. The only other option would be to push the City Meet back into the first of August to be able to have Warner Park, but this was unanimously rejected. The motion to have the meet at Ft. Oglethorpe was moved, seconded and unanimously accepted by the Board. The diving meet will be held at Dalton High School the Tuesday before the City Meet.

The meeting was adjourned at around 7 PM. The next regularly scheduled meeting will be March 23 at 6:30 PM at the Downtown Y.

Respectfully submitted,

Janet Pickett
CASL Recording Secretary