

GKAISA General Membership Meeting Minutes  
10/23/2018  
7:00 pm, Arnstein Jewish Community Center

1. Welcome

President Terry Gardner welcomes group and begins meeting at 7:02 pm.

2. Spring Meeting Minutes have been approved.

3. Treasure's Report

Budget reviewed, opened for questions. Balance sheet will be available on the website. Motion to pass the budget proposed, all in favor to pass the budget.

4. Old Business

a. City Meet Review

Heat sheet sales were better than expected. Parking garage availability was nice to have again. Expects to be the same in 2019. No radio due to a violation of a law so used twitter as main communication of event flow. This was problematic due to some delays in feed from internet, etc. Looking into other options for 2019 in addition to twitter feed and hope to have a radio option again. Felt like the meet went well overall.

5. New Business

a. Proposed changes to GKAISA General Rules

Please see the appendix on the website for specifics. There are a lot of minor grammatical and punctuation changes we will not cover in the meeting. We do have rules we want to go over to reflect changes in society and to make sure rules cover what they are intended to cover.

- 9. GENERAL CONDUCT

- 9.1. All tobacco products, vaping, e-cigs (smoking) and alcoholic beverages are absolutely prohibited in at the pool area at in all GKAISA meets

- Rule 11.11 4-foot rule for water depth

- We will add to the rule to clarify the rule. This is not a rule change.

- Only the referee can make the call for remeasurement of the water once the meet has started. Coaches can request, but it is up to the referee to decide to proceed.

- 11.11.3 Depth measurement should be made and agreed on by coaches from each team prior to any swimmer entering the water (includes warm up). Once the meet begins, only the referee can request the depth be re-measured if safety is a concern.

- Rule 11.13 Meet Safety

11.13.1 The meet referee has the responsibility and authority to see that the meet is conducted in a safe manner and may halt the meet at any time due to hazardous conditions.

b. Proposed changes to GKAISA Championship Meet Rules

Please see the appendix on the website for specifics for each rule change.

- 2 Entry Requirements

Rule 2.1.3 Entry Limits - no exhibition swims allowed which is a rule that has always been understood, but it is not in writing so want to rectify this. Swimmers may only be entered in and swim in 4 events with a max of 2 relays or a max of 3 individual events. Intent of the rule is that the swimmers in the pool match the order in the computer. Coaches can change the order but must turn in a card with the correct order at/by conclusion of the event. Scoreboard may not reflect changes made. This is a clarification that an individual can only be entered into four events.

2.1.3. Entry Limits - A swimmer may only be entered in and swim 4 events with a maximum of 2 relays or a maximum of 3 individual events. There will be no exhibition swims allowed.

- 3. Meet Protocols

3.1. Wording clarification changes only

3.8. The following has been added: Once a relay team is seated on deck, the coach may change the order of swimmers and must submit those changes to scoring at the conclusion of the race.

3.11 The following rule has been an unwritten rule in regard to photography and videography behind the blocks. Both are permitted on the side of the pool, etc.

3.11. Photography and/or videography is prohibited from behind the starting blocks. Any person in violation of this rule may be removed from the pool deck.

- 7 Scratches and No Shows

Scratch fees will be decided and included in the meet invitation.

c. Vote Process for Rule Changes

Please read over all minor changes to rules. We must approve in order to vote on the rule changes in the spring. Propose in three sets so we won't have one big vote.

- 1<sup>st</sup>- minor changes
- 2<sup>nd</sup>- pool depth and tobacco rule lumped together-
- 3<sup>rd</sup>- GKAIISA championship meet rules

Motion on the floor to amend to add photography rule to general rules in addition to city meet rules. Agreed to use USA rule and language. Motion made and all passed with agreement that the language for the rules will be tightened up for the spring meeting vote.

#### d. Senior Swimmers Ineligible Due to Age Requirements

David Cooper will speak to membership about senior swimmers who are not eligible to swim if they turn 19 before the May cut off. With the increasing trend of sending students to school later than in the past, we are running into kids who can't swim with their classmates due to their birthdays. We would like to recommend that these cases be considered on an individual basis and allow swimmers to apply for a waiver if they would like to swim the summer after they graduate from high school. Also discussed are kids with special needs who are still in high school and that it is legal for them to be in high school, so should be allowed to swim as well. David and Terry will work to write the rule, so it makes sense for a vote in the spring. Motion made and passed to vote on this in the spring.

### 6. Announcements

- a. The 2019 City Meet format will be slightly modified due to Jr Nationals Diving. We must adjust our normal city meet agenda. Hopefully we can return to the normal schedule in 2020.

#### 1. Thursday night- 10 and unders

The normal time line is 4-5 hours, so we will make an announcement for when we will start. To figure out a warm up time, we must consider volunteers who are working and must take off work to be there to help.

- 2. Friday normal for 11 and ups.
- 3. Saturday finals instead of Sunday.

- b. For the 2019 City Meet, tents will be ordered through GKAIISA (through Rothchilds). They must be removed by Sunday morning for the diving meet set up.

- c. SwimTopia plans to improve its meet management, utilize a mobile app and hold an in-house training session for some time in February. We are hoping to do

online paying with Swimtopia with no need for an entry meeting. Their mobile app is up and running, but teams will not be required to use it.

- d. The American Cancer Society has requested GKAIISA support in “Swim for Life” fundraiser. Swim for life fundraiser is a possibility for American Cancer Society- we are entertaining this idea and will let you know what we decide. It will be voluntary- teams will not have to participate. As in the past, kids will ask for sponsors to donate money per lap or a lump sum for their participation in the fundraiser. All monies raised through GKAIISA will be donated to the American Cancer Society.
7. GKAIISA Board GKAIISA Board:
    - o • President: Angelia Nystrom
    - o • Vice President: Breckenridge Morgan
    - o • Treasurer: Shanda Keller
    - o • Assistant Treasurer: Shawna Davis
    - o • Secretary: Brad Salsbury
    - o • Assistant Secretary: Kelley Perkins
  8. Important Dates for next year:
    - a. Spring General Membership Meeting – March 5, 2019, 7:00 P.M. @ AJCC
    - b. GKAIISA Championship Meet: July 25, 26 & 27, 2019
    - c. Fall General Membership Meeting – October 22, 2019, 7:00 P.M. @ AJCC
  9. Meeting Adjourned