

# Lower Bucks Swim League

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## League Meeting Minutes

April 11, 2005

The Lower Bucks Swim League meeting was called to order by league Vice President Jack Cataldi at 7:40 p.m.

### 1. ROLL CALL

Board members in attendance were Jack Cataldi, Sally Lewing, Maria Kolokithias, Tim Schenkel and Kathy Gillespie. Bob McDowell was not in attendance.

Swim team representatives in attendance were: Bensalem, Brookside, Bustleton, Eddington, Hatboro YMCA, High Point, LMT A, LMT B, Morrisville, Newtown A, Newtown B, Phoenix, Quartett, Richboro A, Richboro B, Somerton, Torresdale and Warrington.

Breezypoint, Council Rock, Navy, Newtown Crossing, Northampton, Oxford Valley and Winchester were not in attendance.

### 2. MINUTES

The minutes of the September, 2004 meeting were unavailable for review and acceptance at the April 11, 2005 board meeting.

### 3. REPORTS

#### A.) PRESIDENT

See section B. The April meeting was chaired by Vice President Cataldi in President McDowell's absence.

#### B.) VICE PRESIDENT

Vice President Cataldi welcomed everyone to the first meeting of the 2005 swim season.

2005 swim schedules were distributed.

LBSL “Swim League Reps Roadmaps” were distributed. The Roadmap is an outline of the mechanics of our summer league. It is a good guide for all swim teams to distributed to new swim team reps and/or coaches.

Vice President Cataldi addressed the idea of changing the June 30<sup>th</sup> age up date and asked for pros and cons to be presented. The idea of changing the age up date to June 1<sup>st</sup> or June 15<sup>th</sup> was discussed among the league reps. The age up topic will be reviewed at future meetings to determine whether or not it would be beneficial to the swimmers and if it warrants an operating procedures change.

Vice President Cataldi said the LBSL wants to go “computer.” He canvassed the attending league reps to see how many did or did not have computer and software accessibility. Vice President Cataldi asked the league reps that did not have computers to determine their teams’ ability to purchase one and asked the reps as a whole whether they would approve or oppose the possibility of the league providing financial assistance to the teams that could not afford to buy computer equipment.

### C. TREASURER

Treasurer Kolokithias is trying a new procedure this year. Blank invoice sheets will be distributed for each team to complete. These invoices will act as “recap sheets” so the correct amount of insurance is purchased. Insurance is paid per athlete, so the league needs to be accurate and make sure each athlete is properly covered. Please write your FULL club name on the invoice (example: Newtown A, not just “Newtown”) and then circle the appropriate designator for your specific club: “swim team only;” “swim/dive” or “dive only.”

If you use a personal check to pay club fees, PLEASE be sure to write the FULL club name on the memo line.

Insurance rates have increased to \$6.00 per SWIMMER this year.

Insurance rates have decreased from \$30.00 to \$15.00 per DIVER this year (see Diving Vice President, Section F for more information).

2005 Swim/Dive season insurance rates:

Swimmer only:	\$6.00
Diver only:	\$15.00
Swimmer/Diver:	\$21.00

Treasurer Kolokithias requests that all teams make a good effort to submit their invoices, insurance papers and payments by the end of May.

Officials’ shirts will be available through Treasurer Kolokithias and at Officials’

clinics.

D. OPERATING SECRETARY

Insurance forms are available on line at [www.lbsl.org](http://www.lbsl.org).

ROSTER MEETING

QUARTETT JUNE 23, 2005 7:30 P.M.

E. RECORDING SECRETARY

Please provide any name, telephone, address, and/or e-mail changes for Coaches, Assistant Coaches, and League Reps to Kathy Gillespie.

F. DIVING VICE PRESIDENT

Diving Vice President Tim Schenkel said a new diving roster insurance form has been created and is available on our website at [www.lbsl.org](http://www.lbsl.org).

Diving Champs will be held at Pennsbury again this year on Sunday, July 24, 2005.

We need a Diving Secretary. Please canvass your teams for interested candidates.

Please e-mail or scan the diving results to Tim Schenkel through his icon on the Lower Bucks website at [www.lbsl.org](http://www.lbsl.org).

Diving insurance fees went down due to USA Swimming initiating a "limited" policy this year. The "limited" policy is for a 4 month period and is perfect for the summer swim season. The "limited" policy costs each diver \$15.00 as opposed to the \$30.00 fee of past years. Yes, you read correctly, diving insurance dropped from \$30.00 per diver to \$15.00 per diver!!!!

4. COMMITTEE NEEDS

The following clubs volunteered for duties at Champs:

Senior Awards:        Vacant

Champs Meet Hosts

8 & U	Vacant
Red	Bustleton
White	Phoenix
Blue	Vacant
Finals	League

Champs Concessions

8 & u	Richboro
Red	High Point
White	Morrisville (tentatively)
Blue	Vacant
Finals	Brookside

Since all swim league representatives were not present at the April 11, 2005 meeting, the Host/Concession vacancies will be advertised at the May board meeting and if all vacancies are not filled then, names will be drawn to fill them.

OFFICIALS' CLINICS

The following individuals have volunteered to host our officials clinics this year:

Red:	Dale Carmody
White:	Marie Slowey
Blue:	Mike

I.D. cards will be issued to all officials for the 2005 swim season.

The following teams offered to host clinics:

High Point  
Newtown  
LMT  
Somerton

5. OLD BUSINESS

LMT reminded everyone that the LMT pool is 8 lanes. PLEASE remember to adjust your line ups to the meet sheets. LMT 8 lane meet sheets are available on the

LBSL website (you'll need 8 ½ X 14 paper to print them).

6. NEW BUSINESS

A flyer was distributed at the April 11, 2005 board meeting advertising a "New Coaches Clinic." This will be a session for new coaches, assistants, and anyone who wants a better understanding of the summer swim season to learn the intricacies of preparing for and running meets, using the team manager computer software and general league obligations.

Please advertise Senior awards!

Brookside would like the topic of eliminating place judges to be discussed at a future board meeting.

July 9<sup>th</sup> has tentatively been added to the LBSL 2005 swim schedule as the date Somerton will host the Odd Age meet.

Morrisville (White Division) sustained severe structural damage to their pool as a result of recent storms and heavy flooding in the Lower Bucks area. While Morrisville is hoping to keep their team competing this summer, they may not be able to host any meets. This will be further discussed at the May board meeting.

7. NEXT LEAGUE MEETING

May 9, 2005                      7:30 p.m.                      Somerton

The meeting adjourned at 8:26 p.m.