

**SVSL Minutes – Tuesday, April 18<sup>th</sup>, 2016**  
**Meeting held at: Whiting Library; Chester, VT at 6:30 p.m.**

In attendance were the following team representatives:

Bennington	--	no representative
Brattleboro	--	Larry Besserer Christopher Brewer Nancy Brooks Loren Cole
CRVS	--	Christian Craig
Killington	--	Kristin Alf Jessica Fuster
Manchester	--	no representative
Quechee	--	Susan Carey
Rockingham	--	Jan Mitchell-Love Sarah Manning Diana Pimer
Rutland	--	Barb Marshall
Woodstock	--	no representative

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:39 p.m. by Barb Marshall, president.

II. Minutes

It was moved and seconded to unanimously approve passing the minutes of October 6<sup>th</sup>, 2015 minutes. There were no additions or changes.

III. Treasurer's Report

The current balance is \$3,014.59.

All bills are paid, including the pizza for the April 18<sup>th</sup> meeting and the Board of Director's insurance.

It was moved and seconded to approve the treasurer's report. It was passed by acclamation.

## IV. Old Business

### A. 2016 SVSL Summer Schedule

1. Finalize
2. Discuss team needs/desires
  - a. Rutland Sprint Meet on 7/09/16
  - b. Rutland wants one more a.m. meet
  - c. Can Springfield host any meets? Icebreaker?

Various meet details were discussed including: move the Last Chance Meet from Saturday to the following Tuesday, July 26<sup>th</sup>, leaving that Saturday open; Manchester & Brattleboro will swim on July 23<sup>rd</sup>; move July 9<sup>th</sup> meet to July 10<sup>th</sup> with Brattleboro hosting if this is acceptable to Bennington (Chris will check); and Saturday, July 23<sup>rd</sup> remains open for make-up meets for all teams except Brattleboro and Manchester.

Diana Pimer will send a revised schedule to all teams.

It was noted that Springfield and Manchester needed coaches. If anyone knows of good candidates, please let them know.

### B. Stroke & Turn Clinics + Starter Training

1. Determine dates & locations

The following places and dates were proposed:

There will be three clinics:

--Quechee: either Monday, June 27<sup>th</sup>, Friday, June 29<sup>th</sup>, or Saturday, June 30<sup>th</sup>: they'll get back to us with a firm date.

--Brattleboro: would like to host a clinic in mid-May or end of May.

--Manchester will host a meet in early June, probably the first week.

They'll clear a date with their rec department and let us know.

2. Identify who will run clinic(s)

Various names were brought up. Kristin Alf will contact Bob Menck and Jeanette Burhans to see if they can help. Jan M-L will e-mail Bob Menck.

Kristin Alf talked about the requirements to be a USA stroke and turn official. Further discussion will take place under New Business.

C. SVSL: location (Northwood pool) and duties (example: vendor)

Barb Marshall will do trophies and ribbons with Larry Besserer

Rockingham will contact Real Sports to serve as the vendor.

D. Bethel Swim Team: update: Susan Carey

Susan reported that it is not financially feasible for Bethel Swim Team to join this year. They would like to be considered for next year.

Susan invited the Bethel Swim Team to swim (exhibition) at a Quechee-Rockingham meet Quechee is hosting

E. Bylaws and Rules of Competition changes: update: Jan M-L

There was no bylaws update.

Pedr Seymour (former CRVS coach) was looking at Rules of Competition. Since he's gone, there is no report.

V. New Business

A. VSA Championship meet: details on SVSL responsibilities: who is in charge of what job such as t-shirts, programs, vendor, etc.; contract update; location; contract; etc.

The following was reported:

--We went over the dates.

--Vendor details: the vendor will write VSA a check. VSA will send Rockingham a check. Half of the proceeds will go to the SVSL and Rockingham will get the other half.

--Shirts: Brattleboro will have pre-orders for Championship t-shirts.

B. Fill vacant SVSL vice-president position

Proposed: Kristin Alf (Killington)

It was agreed that Kristin would become the SVSL vice president.

C. Stroke and turn: discuss policy(ies)

--Kristin is interested in our stroke and turn officials becoming USA certified. The following plan was agreed to by all: the various SVSL swim team boards will be consulted about this. We will discuss this in the fall after getting boards' inputs.

Anyone who wants to get USA certified this summer will do so on a voluntary basis.

Kristin will send out information on this.

--Kristin agreed to look at the Stroke & Turn Policy for possible updates/revisions.

#### D. Communication

##### 1. Update on website: John Spencer

Every team should send meet results to John Spencer for the website. Please send the results in pdf format to [jspencervt@gmail.com](mailto:jspencervt@gmail.com).

##### 2. Update on team contacts list: Jan Mitchell-Love

The contact list was distributed for team updates.

#### E. Other.

--The possibility of computer training was discussed. Kristin will contact Tucker Marshall and Nicola Smith to see if they could help out with this. The possibility was raised that this training could take place via conference call.

--Rockingham reformatted the list of events for the district meet. 10 & U will stay the same; 12 & U 100's events will be spread throughout the afternoon rather than being bundled into one time.

After much discussion it was moved by Kristin and seconded by Chris that the order of events would be changed for the afternoon session of the SVSL Championships for summer, 2016. It was agreed that we'll try it for this summer and reassess in the fall. This was passed unanimously.

--The following SVSL officiating details were discussed:

There should be a referee or a meet moderator for the afternoon. Quechee might be able to help out with this.

There should be two starters for each session: one starter and one assistant.

This was revised for the afternoon session: it was decided that there should be two shifts in the afternoon, so two starters and two assistants will be needed.

VI. Next meeting -- date and location

The next SVSL meeting will be on Tuesday, October 4th at Whiting Library in Chester at 6:30 p.m.

It was moved and seconded to adjourn the meeting at 8:15 p.m.