

Suburban Parochial League

Cross Country

Minutes of the 08/04/2015 Pre-Season SPL CC Meeting
Held at St. Mary's of Gostyn, Downers Grove, Illinois

I. **Call To Order / Invocation:**

The meeting was called to order by Ken Kalal, SPL XC President, at 7:05 pm followed by a prayer.

II. **Introductions:**

Elected SPL XC Officers were introduced to the membership. They are:

President: Ken Kalal

Treasurer: Sharon Garvy

Appointed members of the Rules & Events Committee are:

Scott Butler (St. Joan of Arc)

Sharon Garvy (St. Raphael)

Ken Kalal (SMG)

Nena Lavoie (ND)

John Mulholland (SFX)

III. **Attendance**

- a) The membership roll was called, with all member schools reported as "present," with the exception of St. John of the Cross, who had no representative in attendance.
- b) The previous (2014) SPL Cross Country contact list was circulated to be updated by the attendees with contact information for the 2015 season. The updated list will be distributed for future reference during the season.

IV. **Minutes of the November 18, 2014 post-season meeting**

- a) The minutes of the November 18 post 2014 season meeting were read into the record by Ken Kalal. Subsequent to the reading of the minutes it was moved and seconded to approve the meeting minutes as read / published. The motion was approved by voice vote, with no dissent.

V. **Treasurer's Report:**

Sharon Garvy reported the following:

- a) The SPL Cross Country League currently has \$1,965.87 on deposit with PNC Bank. There has been no change in the balance from the post-season (11/18/2014) financial report.
- b) All expenses from the 2014 season have been paid
- c) As the SPL XC League has a current funds surplus, annual dues will remain at \$150.00 for the 2015 season.
- d) Invoices for the 2015 season were distributed to all schools present. The St. John of the Cross invoice will be sent via e-mail to its head coach.

VI. **Equipment Manager's Report:**

- a) All equipment was returned / collected by St. Irene and accounted for at the end of the 2014 season, with the exception of the "meet equipment box" which is on loan from SPL T&F. (The equipment boxes are maintained and stored by All Saints Academy.) The equipment, to include clocks (maintained by St. Leonard) is in good working order and will be ready for use at the 09/05 first meet.
- b) No new equipment purchases for the 2015 season are anticipated.

VII. **Old Business:**

Note: Several action items were referred to the Rules & Events Committee at the 2014 post-season meeting. However, the Committee was unable to meet during the off season and the action items remain outstanding. They are:

- a) New host school for the second (09/12) meet of the 2015 season.
- b) Define a formal process for dealing with adverse weather conditions and the cancelation of the Championship Meet Awards Ceremony.
- c) Eligibility of "religious education" students to participate as members of SPL XC Teams.
- d) Formally amend the Rules and Procedures to add an elected Vice President to the SPL Cross Country officers.

However, the membership acting as a Committee of the Whole agreed that action items dealing with (1) the defining of a formal in climate weather Championship Meet awards process and (2) eligibility of religious ed students be tabled for future action. It was noted that SPL member schools who were also IESA members, could not include religious ed students on their state team rosters.

Addition Actions:

- Sts. Peter and Paul and All Saints Academy agreed to co-host with 09/12/15 the 2nd meet of the 2015 season and were to determine whether the meet's venue would remain at the LTHS's Western Springs south campus. (Note: Subsequent to the meeting St. John of the Cross joined as an additional co-host and secured LTHS as the meet site.)
- The membership, on a voice vote with no dissent, agreed to add a new elected officer's position to the SPL CC's leadership team. Subsequent to the Membership's approval of a change to the Rules and Procedures making provision for the addition of a Vice President, it was moved, seconded and approved by unanimous voice vote to elect Ed Sullivan as the SPL CC's Vice President effective immediately.

VIII. **New Business:**

- a. Team roster submission: Team rosters, in the correct format, are due to Scott Butler by August 27, 2015. This will allow sufficient time to have tags prepared for the first meet of the season. Scott reiterated the need for the rosters to be submitted in the correct format so as to make the process as efficient as possible and omit any extra work necessitated by his having to manually correct.
- b. Invoices due: Payment of the 2015 season annual dues are payable by the first (09/05/2015) of the season.

- c. Proposed change to the Rules and Procedures changing the pre-season meeting from the last Monday in July to the first Tuesday in August. After discussion, and lacking a formal motion, no change was implemented. The pre-season meeting will continue to be held on the last Monday in July.
- d. Other:
 1. After reading a brief statement, it was with regret that Ken Kalal tendered his resignation as the SPL CC President, effective immediately.

The membership expressed its thanks to Ken for his service and the contributions to the League that he made as a coach, League President and to the sport of Cross Country.

2. It was moved, seconded and approved on voice vote that John Mulholland (SFX) be elected interim President.

3. Scott Butler also appraised the membership of his intention to retire at the end of the season [due to the graduation of his daughter] and the opportunity it presented to upgrade the scoring process (tags vs. chip timing, new software scoring program, etc.) Scott also advised that he will miss a meet this season, due to the marriage of his son, and potentially miss other meets due to family commitments.

XI. 2015 Season Meet Schedule

- 9/05: Meet #1 - Hosted by St. Irene @ Summerlakes Park / Johnson School, Warrentonville.
- 9/12: Meet #2 - Co-Hosted by Sts. Peter and Paul and All Saints Academy @ a site to be determined. (Note: St. John of the Cross joined as additional co-host and secured LTHS's Western Springs campus as the meet venue.)
- 9/19: Meet #3 - **The Greg Vogler Memorial Co-Ed Meet** hosted by St. Joan of Arc @ Marmion Academy
- 9/26: Meet #4 - Hosted by St. Mary of Gostyn @ Downers Grove Swim & Racket Club
- 10/3: Meet #5 - **SPL Championship Meet** – Hosted by St. Petronille @ Lewis University

- The 2015 post-season meeting will be held on Tuesday, October 27, 2015. Time and location to be determined.

X. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 8:25 pm.