

## **Northern Area Aquatics Committee Meeting Minutes December 14, 2020**

**Hosted by Northern Area 6:30 pm - Zoom**

**Attendance and Introductions:** Scott Johnson, Cameron Kainer, Erinn Lormore, Rily Whistler, Diane Beashears, Kristi Boatman, Lea Hood, Josh Gregory, Patrick Burda, Kaylene

### **Team Reports**

- MSST - 80 Swimmers with a substantial number of new swimmers interested. Looking for a permanent novice coach. Backroom re-painted and organized.
- NPAC - Attached
- SST - Attached
- NOME - None submitted
- Galena - Non submitted
- UAF - Men's Basketball and Hockey have opted out of season, waiting to see what happens for swimming. A few swimmers are still in town. Training during COVID kept a quarter in the water at a time, no competitions so far, pool renovations going on. UAF was to be back on December 28th, however back in January. Two meets scheduled out of state in February.

**President's Report** - Thanked Jill for her work on getting NA's gaming permit updated and current. Taxes have been paid. Asked Teams to submit written team reports by Sunday nights prior to NA meetings.

**Treasurer's Report** - Not submitted - will be sent out

**Athlete's Rep Report** - Logan, Rily, Cady - Back from State, coaches are working them hard, swimmers want blocks in all the time. Blocks are too heavy to be moving back and forth.

### **Gaming Report**

New alternative gaming rep - Lea Hood, Ramona Reeves removed and Dave Ferree removed however he will help when needed.

**Officials Report** - Scott - Team's held their time trials and each team managed their trials and all went smoothly even with a shortage of officials. Robin took inventory of officials' shirts and there is a need for an order. Scott will check into pricing by going to Trademark (new business name) and wants to ensure the good quality of the shirts. Josh asked how many shirts are

needed. Scott outlined the current inventory down to a few XL women's and a couple of XXL men's.

- Josh moved to authorize \$600.00 for new shirts for officials.
  - Lea seconded the motion
    - Motion passed

Scott explained new USA Swimming rules allow for anyone currently registered with USA Swimming and with substantial swimming experience may be stroke and turn officials. Starters also okay, however no referee to eliminate conflict of interest.

### **Old Business**

- Team donations to NA for the new blocks (this is the funds each team committed to putting toward the project) Integral part of grant requirement from Tanana Valley Youth Sports. Each team owes \$1,800.
- 20-21 donations to teams discussion as per October 1st meeting - Checks will be made to each team.

### **New Business**

- Discuss an approach with the borough regarding leaving the new blocks in place and get some form of cover for them - Very heavy and somewhat dangerous to move without help from parents. Scott -Michelle may approve for the blocks to be stored under the stairs. The idea of covers displaying the message of non-use was discussed and Josh said there are existing products available. Patrick expressed concern about rust when covers are in constant place. Patrick talked with Michelle about allowing the blocks to remain in place and her response was "not yet". Kristi talked with Michelle about safety while handling. There will be a united front of NA teams when lobbying for approval in keeping the blocks in place. Patrick will create a document with concerns about moving the blocks for teams to use.
- Relocation needed for 2021 Age Group Champs (NA was supposed to host) borough will not allow us to hold the event - Josh looked up rotation of Alaska State Championship meets and will follow up by sending it out for possible changes with other hosting teams. The possibility of NA hosting both Age Group and Senior meets in 2022 was discussed and all felt positive about the ability for the teams to host. Scott suggested trying to get another meet by partitioning the House of Delegates.
- No NA hosted meets at FNSB pools.

Motion to adjourn

- Josh motioned to adjourn at 7:19
  - Scott seconded the motion
    - Meeting adjourned

**Next Meeting** January 11 Zoom 7:00

