

MSST Board Meeting Minutes March 24, 2020 at 5:30 pm

Meeting was held by zoom and teleconference.

Members present: Patrick Burda, Claire Banks, Kaylene Ottoson, Akiko Schaetzle, Tim Bristor, Maria

Wessel. Jennifer Lent, Jennie Hafele, Emmy Marshall

Members Absent: Jim Gower, Meadow Bailey, Erin Otness, Kate Quick

- I. Call to order 5:39 PM.
 - A. 5:39
- II. Approval of 2/25/20 minutes; 3/12/20 minutes:
 - A. Motioned, seconded, and passed (approved)
- III. Parent Comments:
 - A. None
- IV. Head Coach Report (Patrick Burda):
 - A. We've been out of the pool for about a week
 - B. There's a step challenge for the kids- find it on our website under events tab- Alaska Swimming Step Challenge
 - C. Working on connecting with the kids on Zoom- an hour of dryland a day- junior/seniors/ age groupers too
 - D. Possibly some kind of daily challenge through google docs
 - E. Best time to meet will be 4:00 or 4:30 in keeping with our regular practice time, some kids will have regular school day schedules
 - F. Would like to put Summer Sectional meet on our schedule July 16- 19, as a possible replacement for the recently canceled sectional meets
- V. Swim Rep/Swim Council Report:
 - A. None
- VI. Treasurer Report (April '20, July '20, Oct '20, Jan '21) (Maria Wessel):
 - A. We'll need to reassess the dues and/or maintenance needs of our membership in light of the pool being shut down. Patrick and/or Claire will redraft the recent Covid-19 letter and send it out again.
 - B. We will not have to pay pool rental fees if the pool is shut down
- VII. Northern Area Report-meetings-3/9/20, 3/15/20 (Patrick Burda, Claire Banks):
 - A. Met the day before pool was closed 3/15/20
 - B. 3/9/20 meeting- agreed to bylaw review in summer
- VIII. Volunteer Coordinator Report (Jennifer Lent):
 - A. At a standstill until we're doing things again- email her if you need things put on the website
- IX. Old Business:
 - A. COVID-19 current state
 - 1. USA swim, CDC, AKDHSS
 - a) Olympics postponed a year
 - b) Should we be penciling things in?
 - (1) No- we have no idea how this will play out, could be 3 months or even longer.
 - B. Swim A Thon

Vision- Excellence in character and athletic performance

Mission - Midnight Sun Swim Team's mission is to promote good sporting conduct, self-discipline and self-confidence while improving swimming ability for all members.



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- 1. Canceled- no reschedule date yet
 - a) Consider rescheduling Swim-A-Thon as late as October
- C. MSST Awards Banquet
 - 1. Originally scheduled for May 9 Canceled
 - 2. We need to give team and program some time getting back on our feet after we get back in the water.
 - 3. The banquet is important for recognition, and the formality of recognition, but perhaps we'll use the time for a welcome back celebration as well
- X. New Business:
 - A. MSST ByLaws Review
 - 1. Due to difficulty of teleconference venue and other pressing matters, agenda item held to next meeting
 - B. Midnight Sun Invite Planning {(??Northern Area Champs (give up MSST Invite)}
 - 1. If Northern Area asks for the meet/time slot for NA Champs, we will consider it
 - 2. It would be nice to have the first meet back be a little bit fun and less competitive
 - a) Perhaps 25's and light hearted awards related to the current events
 - C. Summer Projects
 - 1. MSST Handbook
 - a) Jennifer and Patrick
 - 2. Swimmer Recognition Program (ie//IMX)
 - a) Claire, Patrick, Maria
 - 3. Social Activities Summer
 - a) Jennie (swimmer engagement), Meadow- swim council involvement, Kate
 - 4. Raffle Planning
 - a) Tim, Kaylene
- XI. Open Forum
- XII. Up and Coming Meets and Events:
 - A. All meets and events are cancelled through April as per USA Swimming
 - B. Some events may be rescheduled, including NA Champs and/or Jos
 - C. The Swim-A-Thon will be rescheduled
 - D. We are canceling our May 9 awards banquet, and will reschedule at a later date
 - E. We are postponing our Davis Road Clean-up until it is safe to gather in groups greater than 10
 - F. We are canceling our planned participation in the Cat Long Course Invite (May 15-17)-Corvallis, Oregon
 - G. For now, the following events remain on our calendar: the Midnight Sun Invite (June 19-21) remains on our calendar
 - 1. Summer Champs (July 24-26) Anchorage, AK
 - 2. Senior Western Zone (July 28-Aug 1) Clovis, CA
 - 3. Western Zone Age Groups (Aug 5-8) Portland, OR
- XIII. Next Board Meeting: 4/21/20 at 5:30 pm
- XIV. Meeting adjournment: 6:37 PM

