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GLACIER SWIM CLUB
Board of Trustees (BOT) Minutes – 05-07-2008

BOARD MEMBERS: Bruce Brunette, Eric Hodgson, Lori Norman, Terry Gonwa-Ramonda, Karen Goodell, Mike Walsh (Excused), Lloyd Anderson (Excused), Max Mertz (Excused)
COACH: Head Coach Scott Griffith
CBJ P&R REP: Sheila Fisher (Excused)
OTHERS PRESENT: Sandy O'Brien, Susan Krogstad, Robyn Ramos

The minutes from the April board meeting were not available and will be submitted for approval at the next meeting. The meeting was called to order at 5:50PM.

TREASURER'S REPORT:
FINANCIAL REPORT: Dues are behind in comparison to last year. Discussion about why we are behind. Lori will check with Valerie to see how much is members with past due balances. Susan mentioned that Valerie has a reminder in the next newsletter. It was recommended by Bruce that an announcement will be made at the Annual Banquet to remind families to keep their dues up-to-date. Additionally, it was noted that at last year's registration, families were given an encouraged to make a donation to the new pool committee. So that may help explain the issue with dues.
08-09 PROPOSED BUDGET: Mary and Lori were not quite ready to present the proposed budget due to the accounting of last minute items such as YAB amount and Aqualaps. Mary will send out the proposed budget to the BOT for review prior to the Annual Banquet.

CBJ P&R REP REPORT:
Sheila was not present but sent an email report. YAB award 13,914.35 but could increase to 25,000.00 and is designated to equipment and travel expenses and is award by line item.
Lori asked about the reimbursement from the contingency grant. She said the receipts have ended up back in her box and didn't know if they had made it to CBJ for reimbursement. Scott said he would check on it with Sheila.

OLD BUSINESS:
DIAMOND PARK POOL UPDATE– Bruce, Scott, and Max were at the Pool Design presentation to the public on May 6th. The basic conceptual design was presented. The Task Force submitted a request to the Rasmussen Foundation for 3 additional features, prioritized as, resistance channel, whirlpool and then 2 additional lanes. They presented a comparison of the subsidy levels for each of the features. The resistance channel should the most decrease in subsidy. It was suggested that a meeting be proposed between GSC and the Pool Task Force and the CBJ Pool Staff to resolve any disagreements.
GAMING – Still working on getting this going for next fall.
AQUALAPS – The current pledges total **64,061.18** which are above what has been budgeted. Lori asked how many corporate sponsors we got this year. No one was sure yet.

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CHAPERONE POLICY- Robyn presented a new policy and procedure for chaperone duties. She basically took the draft that was in the old chaperone book and rearranged the section into before, during and after the meet. Additionally, a section of duties for the head chaperone was added. She met with Scott, Susan and Sally Hand and their looking for a recommendation is to adopt this new policy. There was a discussion regarding changes an addendum which described how the transportation and lodging costs are handled for chaperones. It was suggested that this be added as an addendum to the handbook and not part of the chaperone policy and procedures. It was agreed that the Team will set Team Rules for each meet and they should be followed by everyone even the swimmers traveling with there parents. Eric recommended giving the traveling parents information beforehand so that they know the warm up times and other travel arrangements ahead of time.

Scott brought up the changes he is recommending regarding chaperone fees and Senior Assistants. He is going to work on the changes for the Handbook this summer and will present changes to chaperoning and Senior Assistant's. All the changes will be reviewed by the BOT prior to registration.
DRUG AND SUBSTANCE EDUCATION- Bruce expressed appreciation for a great panel and questions at the parent education meeting. He was glad the GSC is taking positive steps to address the issue. He expressed a thank you to everyone who helped to setup the event. $211.00 was collected in donations and we are still awaiting a bill from the Hanger. It is expected to be about $1000. The BOT agreed that it was money well spent.
ANNUAL AWARDS BANQUET- Lisa Jones reported to Bruce that everything is going ok. Ballets for the election are already printed and ready. The candidates are Mark Mickelson, Valerie Mertz, Susan Krogstad and Sally Hand. Robyn Ramos expressed an interest if anyone was not interested but she will wait till next year.

NEW BUSINESS:
TRASH CLEANUP- Susan reported that the club is setup to do the trash cleanup again this year. The cleanup will be June 11 during normal practice. An email will come out before hand detailing the need for volunteers. Pizza will be provided at the end as a reward.
4TH OF JULY PARADE- Susan recommended we start thinking about the float now. BOT discussed interest in having a new theme for the float. Scott suggested having kiddy pools filled with water and kids in suits, caps, and goggles. Maybe pass out squirt guns to audience to shoot at swimmers.
BYLAWS CHANGE- Scott sent an email with a draft change to add an Athlete Representative to the board. It was discussed that it should be a high school student. He reminded us that only one member of a family may participate on the board. It was brought up that this will make an even number of members on the board and potentially causes the need for a tie breaking vote. The BOT decided to allow the president to be the tie breaking vote. Scott will redo the change and bring it to the annual meeting.

The only problem is that the bylaws require that any changes be posted for 2 weeks prior any vote. Since the annual meeting is less than 2 weeks, the BOT will just be posted and announced at annual meeting. In September, during registration, the change will be voted on and a list of nominees will be ready to be voted on as well.
COLORADO MEET – Lori announced that airline tickets are still cheap and swimmers still have time to signup. Scott told the people in Colorado we will have between 25-35 swimmers. Scott will just do the events so we don't miss any deadlines.

COACH'S REPORT:
JO's went well. Set some new club records. SEAK finished second overall.
Olympic Athlete – 10 athletes attending.

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Coaches Thea and Kendra will be attending Western States Coach's Clinic, May 31 – June 1, in Irvine, CA using this year's funding. Four coaches (Scott, Jason, Lynne, and Jan) will be attending ASCA (America Swim Coach's Association) World Clinic in Las Vegas, Sept 2 – 6, using next year's funds.

Sandy, Scott and Seth Cayce attended the annual meeting of the AK House of Delegates. Some notable changes to AK Swimming By-Laws and/or the Rules and Regulations are listed below:

- Zone Selection: LC Champs will NO LONGER be the selection meet for Zones. Zone cuts and ZPT times do not guarantee swimmers a slot on the team. The athletes will be selected by the zone coaches and zone committee to fill the best team possible for AK Swimming. This change was supported by all Southeast swim clubs
- Age Group Champs Order of Events: Some of the event order for Age Group Champs was changed, but more importantly, all 11/12 50's and all 11 – 14 100 yard and 200 yard events will be swum combined in preliminaries. The top 6 for each age will still qualify for finals. This will allow for some added competition in the morning, and the meet will run faster.
- The 800 free relays were added to Thursday evening at JO's.
- If a swim meet is held the same weekend as any AK Championship meet (i.e. Great AK Open and Winter Games), swimmers MAY NOT swim any race they have qualified for the AK champ meet at a different meet.

Summer Swim League is expected to fill up. Flyers are done and sent out. The Pool Manager is requiring the swim level for participation in summer league be Level 3. Last year we took any level swimmer. For now the plan is to hold check for a week and do swimming tests on each swimmer. Those that are not up to level 3 will be turned away. Max has suggested that a letter be written to the Pool Manager expressing our dissatisfaction.

Senior group has been given workout calendars for the summer. Board members commented that their swimmers like the calendar.

Special Note: Scott was reviewing the statistics in the Annual Banquet Book and noted that the Best Times Percentage is the highest average ever. BOT recognized the achievement as a testament to our remarkable coaching staff.

The next BOT meeting will be June 4, 2008 at 5:45PM. The meeting was adjourned at 7:00PM.

Minutes taken by Susan Krogstad for Mike Walsh, GSC BOT Secretary

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