

Northern Light Swim Club Boosters

March 19, 2024

Call to Order: 7:31 pm

Roll Call: Bethany D, Jennie W, Christen M, Faith F, Tara B, Kim S, Mindi S, Sharon S

Motion Protocol/Voting Protocol Review by Bethany

-to motion to start discussion, can amend motion

-voting, should officially be “call a question”

Consent Agenda, April 16th next meeting, minutes (Faith said she read them)

-motion by Bethany to approve, seconded by Kim, Approved

Report of Officers:

VP Report – ANC Liaison:

Bethany and Joy also went. Updated on our stuff, their banquet is before ours and their budget is more than ours and charging members. Ours is free. They are not doing AquaDog swim meet because attendance hasn't been increasing and there hasn't been a lot of interest. April 13th, Cliff will do a time trial instead. They considered hours for meetings like we do, but shot it down. Trying to get more volunteers. Their president is stepping down and they will need a new one.

President's:

Senior travel team raised \$3300 for their events. Pace clocks are delivered and Jerry is super happy.

Treasurer's Report:

Started with \$13,428.55, ended with \$10051.98. Did \$50 food stipends for travel team. Some kids did a lot of fundraising and that's all recorded.

Motion to approve by Kim S, seconded by Faith F. Approved.

Old Business:

FUNDrive Update: We had a 100 bag and a bunch of boxes. \$308 not the \$500 we'd been promised. Not sure we will do it again. It is done by weight, clothes are 20 cents a pound, others isn't a much, like 5 cents a pound. 1000s of pounds of stuff, but doesn't seem like a lot for what we did. Bethany's husband didn't like hosting the stuff. Jennie suggested that we do a rummage sale on our own in future not this.

Palmer Spring Invite Debrief: Tara says that Hospitality needed a second person (Christen was overwhelmed at times). More food for hospitality, possibility cut of concessions. We didn't have enough food, but too much last time. Last time, we had too much drinks, actual food was okay. More sandwiches, little bit more yogurt. Faith said that she was hungry and wanted more food after standing on deck. She was one of last and no sandwiches were left available. Kim said that as she was timing, she said it was moving super fast, almost too fast. Very quick and well run. Fiona (head ref) said it was efficient. We forgot music. They only made \$100 on concessions and so not doing it again, it wasn't worth it. Food truck show up possibility for State Fair Invite?

Swimathon Update: Going well, Cliff is putting it up on Team Unify. Local celebrity and swim off? Are any of our old swimmers available? Laurie at UAF? Coaches? Jorge might be a good idea, but he might be gone by then. Event is on schedule.

Motion to authorize prizes, food and goodie bags. We are providing a pancake breakfast after the Swimathon. \$1150 is budgeted amount. Goodie bags (May the 4th be with you): Gatorade, fruit bars, sticker, pretzels. Prizes: Arena gave 4 kickboards, Alaska Chicks gave a hat, biggest group (silver, bronze, gold) will get ice cream party, shampoo, NLSC sweatshirts, headphones, etc. Tablecloths and printing and then food for banquet.

Collect money upfront, flat rate, for laps they can swim, to make it easier, swim as many laps as you can in an hour, big competitions, prizes for most laps, then breakfast afterwards. You go out and count for your swimmers. Motion by Bethany to approve \$1150 for swimathon, seconded by Tara, approved.

Banquet Update: Bethany and Tara have Train depot secured, center pieces are working on, up on the website. Planning layout tomorrow. Going well, on timeline to get it down. Theme: Go for the Gold.

No seniors this year, we allocated \$320 to senior gifts, motioned to reallocate for banquet in general. Parents don't need to bring food this year, we are covering food. No charge to attend. Food will be taco bar, we will need parent prep work earlier in the day. It will be cooked day, we have Depot from 8 AM to midnight. Tara and Bethany will be there all day, parents can come help set up and come back. VIP hours opportunities. Sheet cakes for desserts. Motion to reallocate funds by Kim, seconded by Faith. Approved. Purchases to do: coaches, volunteers, dryland volunteers, volunteer of a year award, food, decorations. I motion to approve \$1850 for the banquet expenses, seconded by Bethany. Approved.

New Business:

Personalized caps – always do around May or June. NSLC caps with last names on them (or anything you want). They usually run about 2 for \$24. Anyone want to chair that order? Make Google sheet, then distribute the caps when they come in, 5 VIP hours for it. Bethany will put it out there in email. Kim and Mindi will do the caps – sorting and passing them out, Bethany will do the Google sheet.

Coach's Report: Jerry was just down in OR for swim meet so not here tonight. Merica from our club only went, but we have a lot going to Zones (8 or 9 from Valley). No new kids this month. Search for new age group coach – one person has approached him, not a good fit. Bethany suggested a parent that he will talk to. We need someone by October. He's okay about doing by himself for awhile to do some restructuring over the summer. After high school season, he needs a new coach that can be trained with the new system.

Bronze Parent Rep – Faith: Jorge told kids 2 weeks ago according to Mariah. Make sure it gets announced to the kids. It is a big deal to the littles and important that the kids hear it from him. Make sure there is a date as well so if they want to a gift, they can. Parents don't seem to know. Put flyer in weekly blast as well for coach job. Bronze kids want to know what requirements to move up to Silver. They want to understand how to move up and what it entails. Bronze daughter input: diving board, flip turns, more games. Bungees were requested – have a weekly schedule of what is going for bronze so they can decide when to come. Post what the workouts are OnDeck, so if they are doing the skill they are need, they know when to come. Qualitifying time trackers, to show where is, Bethany will put on BAND. Maybe put in bags. Maybe put on the wall like the qualifying times. Bronze needs more block time to practice.

Silver Parent Rep – Bethany: No real update, new Silvers qualified for out of state and will be going, in WA.

Gold Parent Rep – NA: Lots of out-of-state meet qualifies, about 25.

Questions/Comments: Jennie needs to bring dessert to next meeting. Faith motioned it, Bethany seconded.

Adjournment: 8:36 pm (Bethany, Kim)