

**West Chicago Sharks
Board of Directors Meeting
Tuesday, January 3, 2017**

Meeting called to order at 7:06 by Kim Rockwood

Note taker: Laura Trnka

Attendees

Coaches	Nick Parry, Dan Fors, Dan Johnson
Board Members	Kim Rockwood, Dave Todd, John White, Allen Newendyke, Laura Trnka
Committee Chairs	Dennis Dybowski, Bridget Fors, Kyla Fantozzi-Johnson, Pauline Smith, Betty Michaels
Attendees	Stacy Gallagher, Linda Rogers, Carla Palczynski

January minutes were approved.

Registration (Dennis)

- Dennis will review past due balances with the coaches after the meeting.
- The board discussed how high school swimmers are billed, and will set guidelines to differentiate between high school swimmers and non-high school senior group swimmers.

Coaches Report (Nick)

- Nick reviewed the changes to our practice schedule due to conflicts with the high school boys' practices. WCS practices will start and end 15 minutes later than normal, and the changes will continue through the end of the boys' high school season. We will return to normal practice times on February 27th.
- Nick has drafted our March stroke and conditioning camp schedule, and will finalize this prior to our next board meeting.
- During our March meeting, Nick will review a proposed change to our senior groups' strength training programs.
- Because of some confusion between our team and Wheaton Sport Center (WSCS), we have been overbilled approximately \$450 from Illinois Swimming. We will receive a credit for this amount.
- The schedule for our upcoming spring season will continue through June 9th before switching to daytime practice for the summer.

Financials (Allen)

- *See attached report from Allen*

Ways and Means (John)

- Our first restaurant fundraiser will begin this week, at the Country House in Geneva. A second fundraiser has been scheduled for mid-March, at Hawthorne's in West Chicago.
- John will research our options to host a Swim a Thon.
- Prior to our March board meeting, John will review dates for our annual Butter Braid sales.
- Our scoreboard fundraising committee needs to meet to make plans for fundraising efforts throughout 2017. reviewed the idea of a swim-a-thon as a fundraiser and he will coordinate with the coaches.

Meet Director (Bridget)

- Feb Frenzy meet:
 - We have 674 registered swimmers, up 130 from 2015.
 - We turned away 6 teams with last minute interest in the meet.
 - Our donations sign-up will remain open for two more days. Volunteers are still needed, especially for the morning sessions.
- IV Conference meet:
 - Bull penning will be held in the fieldhouse for the morning session, and on deck for the afternoon.
- Miscellaneous:
 - \$10 non-district fees will be billed shortly.

Planning and Scheduling (Dave)

- Dave has discussed our tax exempt status with Chris Plagge.
- Dave attended the Illinois Swimming 'Build a Pool' workshop and gained some insights to help us position the team within the school district and community. Dave will share these at a later meeting.
- During Feb Frenzy, we will hold elections for Vice President, Vice President - Ways and Mean, and Treasurer.

New Business (All)

- Nick reviewed the history of our Sharks for Heyer (SfH) satellite team. After discussions with Jen Heyer, Nick shared a proposal for restarting the satellite group. SfH parents Linda Rogers and Carla Palczynski shared their experiences with the group. After discussing board member concerns, Nick motioned to move forward with the Sharks for Heyer satellite practice group, beginning in April and continuing through the summer season. John seconded the motion. The board voted to approve this motion.
 - Nick will reach out to Chris Cook to determine interest in offering a satellite practice group at Leyden again this summer, and will review with the board in March.
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- On April 8th, Dave and Nick will attend a USA Swimming Club Management workshop.

Our next board meeting will be Monday, March 6th at 7 pm.

John motioned to adjourn the meeting and Bridget seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 8:29.
