# **Owensboro Marlins Board Meeting**

July 18, 2012

## 5:50 Meeting was called to order

In attendance: Mark Luckett, Beth Satterly, Robin Phillips, Jeff Carmon, Susan Fenwick, Mike Leathers, Jan Ward, Brian Ward, Cheryl Cooper, Mark Cooper, Sarah Winters, Kate Abney, Rob Abney, Debra Wright, Lisa Free, Robin Carlisle, Brian Phillips, Kristen Callis, Mitzi Kilgore, Bill Duncan, Kelly Duncan, Holly Pfiefer

# **Opening Remarks:**

Board president, Mark Luckett, gave opening remarks:

- Coach Sinclair is no longer with the team, he was released from his contract on his request.
- Two options for team; merger with SKY or hiring coach, two resumes received. Feasibility of merger is
  not looking like an option at this point in time. Met with potential coach today and that meeting was
  positive. Board has spent a lot of time discussing best options for team and will meet in executive
  session following regular meeting to discuss options.
- Financially we faced a budget shortfall due to combination of no May meet, membership drop off, obligations to coaching staff and to HealthPark. Financially, we are better off and are making progress. With the proposed budget, we will be able to offer quality coaching for all age levels.

Robin Phillips addressed the need for more volunteers.

Cheryl Cooper addressed the need of new parent meetings and ideas of what to include in meeting including heat sheet, stop watches, highlighter, Sharpie, use of practice suits, etc.

Short course season expected to have 105-115 swimmers. Many evaluation dates have been set and are listed on TeamUnify. Practice begins for older swimmers 8/13 and younger swimmers 9/10. We also discussed the use of FB and possibly sending flyers out through school system.

Discussed USA Swimming allowing a 2 week grace period for swimmers to try out the team and swimming. Discussed having veteran families be around during tryouts and 2 week trial period to meet with new parents as swimming ambassadors/buddy families to answer questions.

We discussed the need to work better with high school coaches and swim team to help increase our number of high school swimmers.

Lisa Free suggested having team captain and co-captain who could come to the board meetings and act as liaisons to the swimmers.

**Minutes:** Minutes from May board meeting were approved with a motion to approve by Beth Satterly, and a second by Jeff Carmon, minutes approved unanimously

#### **Coaches Report:**

Coach Ward discussed upcoming long course state meets and swimmer accomplishments. She has been receiving consistent calls regarding new swimmers. She discussed evaluation dates and practice dates. Discussed

senior swimmers desire to complete a service project. She discussed proposed meet schedule for short course season and we discussed possible team events/parties.

## **Short Course Season Planning:**

We discussed the need to send an email out for a short course commitment. We also discussed posting our home meets on our website and possibly hosting a "meet the coaches" event for swimmers.

# VP Off Deck Report -Susan Fenwick

Susan reported we made approximately \$640 from concessions at Summer League Championship Meet. Thanked all those who helped. Also discussed new swimsuit and team wear options.

## **VP On Deck Report-Robin Phillips**

Robin discussed need for more officials. We need to have 1 for every 10 swimmers. She discussed requirements of officials and will be setting up training opportunities.

#### **Treasurer Report:**

Jeff Carmon discussed financial report. We currently have \$1500 in checking account. We have \$2900 in obligations and are expecting to collect dues of \$2000 each month during August and September. We discussed possible fundraising options including team nights at local restaurants, USA Navy Seals program in conjunction with HealthPark, selling towels and flip-flops, swim-a-thon.

## **Old Business/New Business**

No discussion

Members were thanked for attendance and encouraged to discuss any concerns or ideas with any of the board members.

Regular Meeting adjourned at 7:05 pm with motion to move into executive session made by Jeff Carmon with a second by Susan Fenwick

Board went into closed session to discuss personnel issues at 7:15 pm

After a discussion, the board voted to table the option of merger with another swim team. We discussed further coaching options and financial matters related to coaching.

Closed session adjourned at 8:35 pm with a motion by Jeff Carmon and a second by Robin Phillips

Next Board Meeting Date: August 20, 2012 at 6:00

Beth Satterly, Communications Officer