

BAC March 14, 2023 Board Meeting Minutes

Attendance: Shawn Klies, Heather Hasiak, Sean Marshall, Patrick Seitz called in and then appeared in person ASAP, Laura Dumas, Clark Montgomery, and Dawn Githens all called in due to conflicts.

Call to Order: 5:42pm

Financial Report: We are currently \$2,100 in the black because we caught up on meet fees. We are \$6,500 for YTD which is better than last year at this same time. Our dues are also on schedule with \$11,000 for us and \$600 for Bozeman. Bozeman's numbers are down right now because they only do high school swimming during the high school season. Coach Katie is going to do a stroke clinic and tryouts at the same time that Jessica does ours.

The new budget must be approved at the May meeting and we may need to implement a dues increase. We will need to explain why and what it's for. We also need to give plenty of warning before it goes into effect next short course. All of our costs have been increasing and Coach Sean doesn't want to see our budget start getting into the red. He wants to keep a slight cushion for emergencies. Our rent at Rocky is increasing from \$17.50/hr to \$25/hr in May. MSUB is \$40/hr because it is a state school and the cost must be the same as Grizzly Pool in Missoula. He also wants to show the team the value that they get for their dollar with the hours in the pool plus access to Rocky's weight room. Sean will bring numbers to the April board meeting and, if approved, then it will go into the proposed budget for the May meeting.

Coach Sean also wants to do a fundraiser this summer to help create a buffer and so that the team can make their long course fundraising goals. To increase participation, it was suggested that we try setting a team goal and if the team meets it, then have a party some night at Rose Park. It was also suggested to have prizes for the biggest fundraiser in all three groups. Dawn will bring options to the next meeting which may include parking for events at the Metra, serving in a restaurant like MRP or the Pizza Ranch, or possibly selling tickets for a 50/50 type raffle. It was decided that early June would be the best time for the fundraiser so that it doesn't conflict with state.

Coach's Report: Jessica will be doing our stroke clinics this week. Our April sprint meet may not be BSSG because they couldn't get it to work. It may happen in Bozeman instead. Coach Sean is trying to find a travel meet for early June, but ticket prices are ridiculous. He has checked Nashville, AZ, TX, Las Vegas, and CA so far. California and Vegas have no prelims/ finals meets. The June nontravel meet for those that don't go, or the littles, will be in either Gillette or Rapid City. Sean is waiting to get the dates for the Rapid City meet, but will make a final decision by the end of the month so that people can book reservations. The Missoula meet runs too long, has way too many swimmers, and the cost is too high to go to that meet. All of BAC's Senior Zones kids will be going as BAC with a BAC coach and BAC zones gear instead of going as Team Montana. There have just been too many problems in recent years. The Age Group kids will still go as Team MT because they travel with their parents, and Jessica is the coach for

that. Sean is now in charge of entering all records for MT Swimming for the State Records. He is still trying to catch that up.

Registration: Some of our high school swimmers moved over to BAC after the season. The coaches are hoping to pick up maybe as many as 9 new swimmers with the stroke clinic.

Old Business: none

New Business: Our Speedo contract is up in Sept. and Sean is looking at other possible options. TYR is a lot like Speedo, and A3 is the same but cheaper, and it does a year around swim shop. He also looked at Arena, but has had trouble with them in the past. We have until August to decide.

Adjourned: 6:32pm