

## PAC Meeting 9/18/18

Attendees: Chris Cipolla, Lauren Youssef, Tina McKinney, Amy Sharkey, Kim Swenson, Sharon Daniel, Mike Kavanagh, Ed Brown, Chrystyn McAndrew, Ellen Heinze, Mary Camacho, Matt Kennedy

### 1. Coach's Update

- a. Summer Long Course season went well with records broken (details on Team Unify)
- b. Three try outs were held this past summer; 150 swimmers attended. Our team now numbers 232 swimmers. Approximately 40 additional swimmers are on Narwhals (former Pre-Team) and Angelfish. We no longer have the Pupfish team
- c. Fall/Winter season has kicked off well with several meets planned for the upcoming year some already posted on Team Unify -- Spaghetti Meet (9/30), Devilfish Classic (10/14), First Frost (11/11). The Dual Meet tentative schedule is also posted on Team Unify (under Meets tab) and the Invitational Meets tentative schedule is forthcoming shortly
- d. Dual meet team information will be published by early October
- e. Devilfish Training trip for Senior Groups (Silver, White and Blue) is being planned for the December holiday break; please respond on Team Unify regarding interest level for your swimmer
- f. We have a solid line up of coaching staff for the year with two additional new hires planned. The coaches and their primary responsibilities are as follows: Cipolla (15-18 Seniors and 11/12), Sharkey (13/14), B. Thomas (9/10), Lee (8 & Under), S. Thomas (Angelfish), DiBenedetto (Narwhals). Additional coaching support is provided by Llallosi, Morgan, Daniel, J. Thomas, and Kempner
- g. This season the coaching staff has introduced a distance training swim practice for eligible swimmers from ages 11-18 to be held on Sundays from 11 am to 1 pm. This practice will replace one work out during the week at the discretion of their respective coach. Distance training swim practice will be customized by age permitting more individualized instruction in this specialized skill area
- h. The Wallace Pool has a new ventilation system which pulls out 100% of existing air replacing with fresh outside air. New fans have also been installed to make it cooler on deck which should positively impact the swimmers. The coaching staff wants to remind all swimmers to shower before swimming to ensure that water quality standards are at the highest levels
- i. 2018-2019 YMCA Standards will be distributed and posted on Team Unify shortly

### 2. Treasurer (Kavanagh)

- a. PAC financials are in good condition. Devilfish program fee was raised \$10 to \$75 which will add ~\$2,400 to the budget

### 3. Timing System (Kennedy)

- a. Chris met with the YMCA to discuss plans to replace the 10+ year old scoreboard with limited functionality. The YMCA has agreed to partner financially on this purchase yet indicated that they want a robust solution to ensure longevity/durability coupled with a service plan. To this end, Chris and the PAC are collecting all prior research to support the final recommendation.
- b. Matt plans to test the timing system to ensure functionality for the DFC

### 4. Social (McKinney)

- a. Parent social will be held on September 22 at Garwood Lanes. \$30 per person to include bowling fee, plus pizza. Cash Bar available

- b. Spaghetti Meet will be held on September 30; all progressing well
  - c. Holiday Party is set for December 1 at the YMCA; detailed information to be uploaded to Team Unify closer to the date
  - d. Swim banquet at Shackamaxon Country Club is set for April 28, 2019. Our team will have both the bar area and the big ballroom.
5. Meet Manager (Riordan)
- a. Devilfish Classic is set for October 14 of this year
  - b. Ellen Mace from BE Smartt, Inc. has posted the meet requesting entries for other swim teams
  - c. All DFC committee chairs are in place
  - d. DFC booster and parent ads will be distributed by 9/24
  - e. T-shirt and Ultimate Swim vendors will be at the DFC offering swim apparel choices
  - f. If anyone is interested in shadowing Beth this year to become the future DFC chair, please email Beth at [bethriordan@gmail.com](mailto:bethriordan@gmail.com) and Lauren Youssef at [laurenyoussef@gmail.com](mailto:laurenyoussef@gmail.com)
6. Fundraising (Camacho)
- a. The Kastle fundraiser will be leveraged again to defray cost of programs for the swimmers; cookie dough, baked goods, kitchen supplies are among the wide variety of choices to purchase
  - b. Sales will start on October 17 and end on November 7; look for information in swimmers' folders by the Wallace Pool
  - c. Merchandise delivery will be between December 11-13. Closer to that date, Mary will use Team Unify to identify volunteers willing to perform delivery drop offs directly to swimmers' homes
7. Officials (Brown)
- a. We are currently at 19 officials; 3 parents have expressed interest in becoming certified
  - b. Staffing for DFC is complete
8. Apparel (Sharkey)
- a. Swim suit sale went well; suits had logo applied in advance; 60 jacket and 40 bags were sold
  - b. Distribution date is tentatively planned for October 4 at the YMCA
  - c. Team t-shirts and team gift should be ready to be distributed on the same day
  - d. Spirit Wear sale is tentatively planned to start at the end of October/November 1
9. Travel (McAndrew)
- a. Hotels for all Championship Meets (Silver and State) have been booked
  - b. Silvers (2/15-17) at Courtyard by Marriot Glassboro Rowan University for younger swimmers and Holiday Inn Express Vorhees for older swimmers
  - c. 12 & Under States (2/21-24) as the Days Hotel in Toms River and 13 & Over States (3/7-10) in Heritage Hotel Lancaster
10. Publicity (Swenson)
- a. Published a season recap for Long Course season in the Westfield Leader
11. Volunteers (Daniels)
- a. Volunteers for Spaghetti Meet progressing well

- b. ~30 new families have joined Devilfish; PAC members will each take 3 families and reach out for welcome and instruction with Team Unify if needed
- c. Parent Meetings in progress for each age group (details on Team Unify)
- d. Team Representatives for Dual Meet Teams will be requested shortly
- e. Contract for bagels at Home swim meets needs to be re-signed

12. Next Meeting

- a. The next meeting will be held on October 22 at 7 pm at the YMCA