

PAC Meeting 9/11/17

Attendees: Brian Guidera, Lauren Youssef, Ed Brown, Mary Camacho, Ellen Heinze, Matt Kennedy, Rosa Leonetti, Tina McKinney, Beth Riordan, Angela Sandull, Amy Sharkey, Kim Swenson

1. Coach's Update
 - a. 2017/2018 Short Course Season began 9/7; all progressing well. Final team size: 249
 - b. New coaches for 8 & Under: Judy Lee and Nick DiBenedetto; Senior Groups 3 & 4: Chris Copella. When Coach Ashley departs for maternity leave, Coach Chris will take over Junior 3 Group.
 - c. Bridge Athletics engaged for Dry Land conditioning workouts for all senior practice groups. Devilfish coaches always present for workouts
 - d. Upcoming meets include Devilfish Classic (10/15), Long Island Invitational (Qualified) 12/8-10 (will include 9/10-year old swimmers this year again)
 - e. Devilfish will consist of 2 boys and 2 girls' teams this year; schedule being finalized and will be posted by mid-September. Swimmers on Angelfish will swim only home meets
 - f. Updated records for Record Boards are on order, but order is backlogged. Records will be installed upon arrival
 - g. Parent Meetings to be held in September; specifics will be emailed to all Devilfish parents
2. Treasury
 - a. PAC financials and proposed budget for the upcoming season reviewed
 - b. Continuing discussion regarding capital campaign for future scoreboard replacement; details to be communicated over the coming months
3. Social (McKinney)
 - a. Spaghetti Meet is scheduled for Sunday, 10/1. Event on Team Unify
 - b. 2017/2018 Parent Cocktail Party is set for Thursday, 10/26 at The Cranford Social Registration details to be sent shortly via Team Unify
 - c. Holiday Party set for Saturday evening, 12/2
4. Timing System (Kennedy)
 - a. Board is currently functional for winter season. The bottom row of the board is not operational but the display will be sized appropriately for the functional portion of the board and will meet our needs
 - b. Past reliability issues have caused an erosion of confidence in the board's long-term reliability and therefore the PAC would like to explore purchasing a new board in the near term
 - i. Market analysis being conducted of other boards on the market
 - ii. It was decided that a capital campaign, separate from general PAC fundraising, will be planned in the future in order to raise funds for a new board
 - iii. The YMCA has been very supportive of both our efforts to get the current board ready for the season and of our discussions for a new board
5. Fundraising (Camacho)
 - a. Preliminary fundraising ideas were discussed in order to support the PAC budget for the upcoming season.
 - i. Possible ideas include a gift card program or donor nights at major vendors

6. Officials (Brown)
 - a. 18 officials are returning
 - b. Level 1 Officials training course being offered on 10/1 at the WY; message will be sent to all Devilfish parents
 - c. Contact Ed Brown at ed@brownnteam.us to learn more about becoming an official
7. Apparel (Sharkey)
 - a. Team Suit Sale was held on 9/7
 - b. Delivery expected mid-October prior to Devilfish Classic; Ultimate Swim (vendor) will assist with delivery in the event that there are any issues
 - c. Swim cap orders were requested via Team Unify; choices between silicone and latex were offered (silicone is added charge). Caps will be delivered before or at Devilfish Classic
 - d. Devilfish t-shirts being ordered based upon sizes listed in Team Unify
 - e. 2017/2018 team gift samples were presented and discussed
 - f. A Spirit Apparel Sale will be held in November
8. Publicity (Swenson)
 - a. Published an article about JO Summer Championships; on Team Unify and will be in Westfield Leader
9. Travel (Donohue)
 - a. Dawn continues to research travel options for the Training Trip during Winter Break
 - b. Due to high airline fares, training facilities in the VA area are being researched as they are accessible by bus; details to follow
10. Meet Director (Riordan)
 - a. The Devilfish Classic is scheduled for October 15, 2017
 - b. Beth Riordan has confirmed the date with Be Smart, Inc., who is returning as the meet entry coordinator
 - c. Invites being sent to other YMCA Teams
 - d. All chairs have been filled
 - e. Northwest will return as the T-shirt vendor for the DFC this year
11. Next Meetings
 - a. The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, 10/10