

NST Minutes 11/28/17

Meeting called to order at 5:48.

Minutes from last meeting – Charles moved to approve. Dave 2nd. Passed.

Treasurer Report – Natasha - broke even this month. \$382.57 above. Have a balance of about \$41,000.00. The team will probably see a loss in November because of taxes. There are still 1 or 2 teams that still owe money from Sea Horse. Kasey moved to accept – Charles and John 2nd. Passed.

Sponsorship/ Fundraising – Kasey will wait to pick date for the swim-a-thon until she has more sponsorship and donor information. John wants to avoid Tuesday/Thursday so he doesn't have to compete for space. 7th or the 14th of March are the two dates being looked at.

Charles said service hours in billing account info on team unify is up and running. Seems to be working pretty well. Small amount of reported hours. He will send out another reminder to have people report in January.

Coaches Report

12 seniors have moved from active to partially inactive as they're swimming for high school right now.

Got a new swimmer. His mom, Vicki is going to renew her stroke and turn license through NST. John is hoping to get her to do stroke and turn for NST as well as the high school.

Practices right now – The coaches really pleased with the attendance and happy with the work ethic the kids are showing. John thinks NST swimmers are ready to start handling more yardage. He's going to start increasing the yardage. Going to stay with technique work for the bronze.

Still looking for a volunteer to help coordinate a holiday party. It was suggested that John make it a New Years party instead of a Christmas party.

John finished drafting a proposed contract between NST and the city and wants to use it as a talking point to get the ball rolling.

Coach contracts – John looked over the one Kathy provided and gave his suggestions to Charles.

Pre-comp group – are we doing a pre-comp group as we still have Sarah? John said that Connie feels that if we do a 2nd one it should be after the new year because there is a lot of skill difference in bronze and Connie needs to use Sarah to help.

The coaches are going to keep a max of 8 swimmers in bronze 2. If more want to come they will have to go on a list. Bronze 1 is going well. Strong swimmers.

Reminder - OSI has changed the time frame in which they will accept meet proposals for short and long course. We need to keep that in mind if NST is going to host meets.

2nd pre-comp group – Charles asked John if there's enough interest to justify having that in January. John said no. He only has one mom with 2 kids interested. At this point he has a tentative maybe from one family with 2 little ones and because of our insurance coverage we need at least 5 or 6 to make it worth it. Cassandra suggested coordinating it with when swim lessons end.

Charles asked about the head coach contract. John said he sent it to him with his changes. Charles asked him to send it again as he hasn't seen it.

John said he thinks we need to move forward with a contract with the city. He doesn't think Protiva or Spencer are going to initiate. He thinks we're going to have to. Kasey has seen the contract. She and Charles are considering starting discussions with them after the new year. Kasey said it takes them months to schedule with us. John said he thinks one of the mistakes was going through Protiva. This time we should go through Spencer. Charles said he, Kasey and John will get together to talk about the contract. After that John will go to Spencer and get a meeting scheduled.

New business – Cassandra said she's going next Thursday to supervise/watch the guy set up the timing system for the December 15th high school team.

Nick Dees is now the pool manager in Lincoln city. He still lives in Newport. He organized with a company called fitter and faster. He picked the same weekend that we're at the Corvallis meet in January. He has 1 top ranked butterflyer coming. It's a good clinic to do but the organization and getting the word out makes it tough.

John is going to talk to Nick so if he does it again in the future he coordinates with us.

Holiday party – Cassandra can't organize it but will help. Becky said she will help but not organize.

Kathy asked if there will be practice during Christmas break. John said of course there is. First week of Christmas break bronze will get the week off but the rest will continue with practice. Might approach the pool about doing a change in times. He's not sure. It's a maybe.

Cassandra asked about a team community service event. Have the kids participate in something for the community. Becky said maybe beach cleanup in their NST jackets. Kasey said Julie had the idea of doing a canned food collection during Seahorse. John said start the planning now for something we can do that will get the kids involved with the community.

Charles asked about articles in the newspaper. John said he had a chat with the new guy at the paper and sent him information for all of the meets and was told he would try to get it in. John said he's reached out to him.

Kasey – when it comes to the holiday party are we looking for a potluck or something as simple as the Halloween party? John said he has not preconceptions. He wants to do something – more social events so parents can talk and new parents can meet existing parents and kids can do something away from the pool.

Cassandra suggested maybe a potluck movie night like a few years ago. John said we could do something like that again. Some social event outside the water for team bonding and to allow the parents to interact. Potluck with food.

Old business – bylaws are on-going. Charles started revising them and got busy. He's working on them. He'll set a goal with John on getting that done. Don't expect it until January at the earliest.

Next meeting – Thursday, January 4th at 5:45.

Meeting adjourned – 6:38 pm