

NST Board Meeting Minutes November 13, 2018

In attendance: Charles Hurty, Natasha, Kasey Postlewait, Amy Jones, John Wray, Cheryl Brown, Katelyn Bosley, Aaron Bretz, Jennifer Reinhart, Andrew and Marietta Grant

Absent: Lucas Ellingson Cosenza

1. **Approve Meeting Minutes from October:** Kasey found a few typos, she will provide them. John motioned to accepted; Aaron seconded
2. **Call for Non-agenda Items/ Discussion from Membership**
3. **Treasurer Report (Natasha)** - don't have bank account numbers (about mid \$40k); collected pool fees, and USA fees, but need to pay out these items. We made about \$4000 to \$5000 for Seahorse. Team party are end of year banquet, gift certificates. Kasey motioned to approve, John seconded. All in favor.
4. **Sponsorship/Fundraising Report (Kasey):** Kasey has nothing to report but would like to set a date for Swimathon as tentatively March 16th. Katelyn will work on it with Kasey.
5. **Coach's Report (John)**
Roster we are at 52 swimmers; 2 swimmers pending. Seniors will decline from 6 to 1 for High School season. We added 4 swimmers since last month. We have had about 67% attendance at practice.

We have 4 swimmers that made the top 5. Ben Hurty, Layla Bretz, Lauren Bobo Shisler, and Gwynn Postlewait. They had one of the 5 fastest times in the state.

Upcoming Meets:

24 going to corvallis meet this weekend (NST-CAT-BEND)

23 going to LIncoln City this weekend (Pumpkin Sprint)

5 swimmers to CAT senior

Deadline for TEAM winter coming up, currently 12 signed up

Summary of Last 2 swim meets:

We had 38 first place finishes at the Albany Meet.

Stroke School: No stroke school scheduled for December. Next session in Jan or February.

Moving Weekend of Seahorse for 2020; Nothing to report, Kathy Cline is in support of it; parking may be the deal killer.

Trophy Case: He doesn't want a trophy case in the lobby or the blue hall; he suggested in the atrium where the bulletin board is. Could put it under the aquatic center bulletin board. Cost estimated to be between \$800 and \$1000. John will provide some photos of options.

Request for Officials: Received one response for call for officials. John is going to try to find one more. Cathy and Grover will probably be transitioning out of being an official so we will only have Keith and Bill as officials.

Halloween Party: The party was a success; the kids had fun.

John sent out (via email), the Flex membership and the photo release policy.

Photo Release Feedback: Charles motioned to adopt the photo release policy; Amy seconded; all in favor.

John will update the policy and handbook. John will send out in the weekly email policy and ask parents to sign. The secretary will keep the signed forms.

Holiday Team Party: John will send out a request for a holiday party. Cheryl brought up the idea of laser tag/escape rooms. Cheryl will talk to them about rates.

6. New Business

- a) **Arena Incentive Funds (\$1024)** - deadline approaching (Kasey), funds expired 1/31/2018. Last year we used for swimathon.
 - i) Mesh Bags (\$10/each); would count as arena pack for meet; 45 bags
 - ii) Officials Clothing (shirts) - 4 would be \$160; 2 shirts would be preferred.
 - iii) Credit for swimmers on scholarship (maybe \$100 each)
 - iv) Towels
 - v) Few mesh bags that we could give the mesh bags to new swim team members.

Charles motioned to approve this spending plan of the Arena benefit as presented. All in favor.

b) **Tents (Kasey):** we are looking into getting 2 tents to bring to meets. Printing \$40/side; probably only 2 sides. \$460 for 2 tents with printing on 2 sides. No place to hang banners at many meets. Print "Newport Swim Team" on it; with blue fabric. John motioned; Charles seconded; all in favor.

c) Renewal of Arena Contract - Items to know about (Charles and John)

- i) 4-year term on new contract
- ii) Minimum of two arena representative staff fittings per year
- iii) Arena banner at "team facility"
- iv) Arena backpack requirement; 70% then 80%

Charles distributed the contract. There are some items that can be negotiated. The current contract was for 2 years. We believe there is no financial penalty if we pulled out. John feels there isn't a downside; but John believes the product is quality. The Arena reps have helped out senior swimmers who were having difficulty getting tech suits. They provided incentive gifts for the swimathon. Bulletin board and tv hopefully meet the contract requirement for displaying the banner. John would recommend a cloth banner.

We probably need to clarify details of "two fittings per year". This is probably an unrealistic requirement. We are still waiting for backordered team merchandise. John will talk to Poolside Jan's to see if they will continue carrying the Arena gear; esp because we need to specify representative for the contract. We also need to ensure that Poolside Jan's submits info on what we purchased.

Jennifer believes that we are already at 80% for the backpack; with the mesh bag we will definitely meet it.

John will contact Arena to discuss these items.

Kaseyy will send out a team email asking if anyone is having issues with the fitting of their suits with Jennifer contact.

Katelyn's question: can teamsuit change? Yes, that's our decision. John said we will have the same suit for about 2 years. The suits have fit issue for younger girl swimmers. Jennifer said if suits aren't fitting properly return them to Poolside Jan's; Arena will replace them. Jennifer said the new suit catalog will be released in June or July. We can distribute them to the board and we can probably get sample suits.

d) Media Release info (John) -

7. Old Business:

- a) Head Coach Review has happened.

Next meeting: December 11 2018 at 5:45 PM

9. Executive Session

10. Meeting adjourned at 7:25 PM