

## **RACEPAC MEETING AGENDA**

CASCADE SWIM CENTER BOARD ROOM - Tuesday January, 17th - 6pm

1. Introductions.
2. Transition to New RACEPAC Leadership Team.
  - a. Shannon Hall, Janie Powell, Amy Richardson, Krystal Simmons, Kristy Six, Lahrea Wirtz.
  - b. New Family Welcome Packet-The packet is in the final stages of editing.
  - c. Website Redesign: Made to be more user friendly - In process of reorganization.
  - d. Facebook Relaunch: The group is now named Redmond Aquatic Club Eels: It is searchable, but still a private group. It is only for community connection, all official information will still go through Team Unify/website.
3. Coach's Report:
  - a. Corvallis Swim Meet: Great meet, there were a little more than 20 swimmers, hopefully there will be more kids there with B times, it would be nice to have 60-70% of swimmers at the meets. Relationships improve at meets and it keeps swimmers interested in swimming. Meets are expensive but important to attend.
  - b. Swim meets: Lake Oswego - Jody/Ed will be attending. Important for swimmers to have their coach see them swim in meets and for the coaches to see their own swimmers compete.
  - c. Safe Sport tasks are complete. Awaiting final approval/certification from Safe Sport.
  - d. New Meet added March 11-12: Corvallis, intended for anyone not attending other championship meets. Open to all.
  - e. New Meet added February 12th: Last Chance Meet in Bend - Super Bowl Sunday. This is not usual to have it at the same time as the Super Bowl, it just so happens this year that the NFL added another game. Open to all/last chance meet for anyone pursuing a certain cut time.
  - f. Long Course Season (April - August): Now available on the website. Check back periodically for changes.
  - g. The Lincoln City Meet has been canceled: They will be doing maintenance to the pool and cannot guarantee it will be completed in time. RACE plans to attend in 2024, including possible potluck and bonfire on the beach for team building/community.
  - h. Feb 20th begins a new practice schedule: Jody and Ed will be coaching Copper and Bronze. Our pool time is difficult due to the school release times. Gold: 3-5pm, Silver 3-4:30pm, Bronze Middle School 3-4pm, Copper/Bronze Elementary Schoolers 4-5pm. Saturday practices by coach invitation, which run 8:45-10:45. Saturdays are later than desired due to pool staffing difficulties.
  - i. Dry Land Training: Tuesday, Thursday morning, the information was sent out to all via TeamUnify Email/message system, check your emails. It is very important to do dry land training to prevent injury.

- j. Megan Thost is becoming certified to coach and will provide substitute coaching when current coaches are away.
  - k. Arena swimsuits: Coach Shane is working with Swim Outlet to address, refund or rebate the logo issues on both the suits and warm ups.
  - l. When purchasing Arena gear at swim meets, let them know it is for the RACE team for our Arena sponsorship. This does not work when ordering on Amazon. We may be having a problem with getting swimsuits due to the time of year ordering.
  - m. Qualifying times/State/Championships: Please direct any qualifying time questions to the coaches. Anyone with OnDeck can look up current A/B time cuts for their child. Ask for help in the Lobby/pool during practice to get that set up.
  - n. Notes about Championships: A qualifying time is good for 1 year as long as you are the same age at the time of the next championship.
4. Financial Report - Jessica was not present and did not send a financial report to share.
5. RACE-O-Rama:
- a. April 15th, 2023 8-11am, broken into 1 hour chunks for each squad - **Participation Required, or \$50 Opt-out Fee will be applied.** Parents need to count laps for their kids, or send a friend or family member to fill in.
  - b. Discuss alternative digital donation collection programs. Team Unify Requires a Fee for every transaction. Looking to avoid that if possible. **Need a volunteer** to look into what the schools use for Monster Dash/Fun Run type-events, that do not charge a fee to the donor. We want to send out a link so that someone can sponsor a swimmer online. **Joanna is going to look into some options like calling John Tuck Elementary for how they have run it in the past.** It needs to be able to be itemized per swimmer. **Consensus:** We will use paper sponsorship forms and send a packet home with every family to collect sponsors and donations, along with a digital donation method. **Margaret and Shannon will work with Shane to determine and purchase awards.** **Consensus:** is to keep the awards modest: towels, a shirt, stickers, raffle tickets, goggles, etc..
  - c. Plan start date to begin donation collections. Missed on the agenda, will revisit with coach.
  - d. Coach requests a small potluck style brunch/refreshments for swimmers upon conclusion of the event (Aim for simple and easy: Costco, Packaged etc.). **Need volunteer(s)** to help plan food and set up a Sign-Up-Genius. We need help to figure out the best way to use Sign-up-Genius: **Karin will be helping with this.**
6. Open Q&A, Help new members with apps, communications, equipment etc.