



Meeting Minutes - January 15, 2020

**RACE Parent Advisory Committee Charter:**

There is hereby established a Redmond Aquatic Club Eels Parent Advisory Committee for the purpose of conducting fundraising activities for the swim team.

**Attendance**

*RACEPAC board*

Margaret Bernard (Chair), Justin Krueger (Secretary), Shannon Hall, Jenni Stephenson, Hannah Arends

*Parents*

Kori Cantrell, Scott Bernard, Joanna Alot, Heidi Messner, Kim Bezdek, Mindy Breit, Lynnette Konop, Maegan Thost

*Athletes*

Ryan Konop

*RAPRD Staff*

Coach Heather Thomas

**Call to Order:** 7:00PM

**Adjustments to Agenda**

None

**Old Business**

Full Team Photos were sold for \$7 each; \$5 of that was returned to the team as Fundraiser.

Will research ability to print Full Team photos for distribution to future sponsors.

**New Business**

Hannah approved the December minutes, Shannon seconded.

Robyn Burgess resigned her position on the RACEPAC board due to scheduling conflicts. This leaves us at the required 5 members. We will be submitting the 5 members to RAPRD board for their ratification, per our Charter.

## **Fundraising**

Major fundraisers identified for the 2019-2020 Fiscal Year

- Race-A-Rama – April
  - The major fundraiser for the year – athletes collect pledges (lump-sum or per-lap). Pledges can be received through Team Unify or direct contributions of cash/check.
  - Donations to RACE via Redmond Area Parks and Recreation District are Tax-Deductible.
  - Athletes receive prizes for reaching certain fundraising levels, as well as overall 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> place.
- Pappy's Pizza Yearly meeting – May
  - During our mandatory meeting in May, Pappy's donates a percentage of Food/Beverage orders
- Jay Rowan meet – July
  - Our "home" meet – income comes in from Corporate Sponsorships, Snack Shack Food/Beverage Sales, Meet/Event Fees, as well as ancillary sales
- High Cascade 100 Bike Race Volunteer – July
  - Volunteers assist in conducting the Cascade 100 Bike race – receive \$500 donation to the team.
- Water Polo Jamboree – Snack Shack – August
  - Income from Snack Shack Food/Beverage sales during the Water Polo Jamboree held at the pool
- Snack Shack Ice Cream/Snack Sales – Summer
  - Senior swimmers (and occasionally Senior Prep/Age Group Army assistants) operate the Snack Shack 1-3PM weekdays during summer, selling Ice Cream/Snacks. Funds raised go towards Senior trip
- Pentathlon Meet – October
  - One-day meet, Income from Meet/Event Fees, Snack Shack Food/Beverage sales.
- Wreath Sale – November
  - Sell Holiday Wreaths – these are ordered in advance and then a team family drives to the Valley to pick them up and distributes at the Pool.

## **Financial Report**

Jessica Rowan from RAPRD was absent, so no updated financials were presented. Justin and Margaret will follow up with RAPRD to understand and communicate:

- Our yearly (July-June Fiscal year) fundraising goal (the amount we should reach each year to cover our 82% Cost Recovery mandate per RAPRD)
- Our current progress towards our goal
- Our fundraising expectations for the rest of the year
- We are also looking to understand past performance of our traditional fundraisers

As a reminder, fundraising is the sole chartered purpose of RACEPAC; while RAPRD shares financial information including Operating Expenses and Budgets, RACEPAC has no control or formal input over Expenses, Budgets, and other financials. We solely control Fundraising.

## **Coaches' Report**

The roof in our pool needs repair – ***the pool is scheduled to be CLOSED March 7-20***. This is during the lead-up to Championships. Alternative accommodations are underway for those swimmers who qualify for championships. The tentative plan is to have several days a week at Madras, for the limited number of swimmers that have qualified. Due to this, Heather is additionally planning on conducting practice over Spring Break so that Championship swimmers are not facing a 3-week practice shutdown just prior to Championships.

Practice Schedule will change Feb 24<sup>th</sup> when the High School swim season ends. Coach Heather has submitted a tentative schedule to RAPRD but it has not yet been approved. When it is approved it will be published. Swimmers will return to an earlier schedule (approx. 3-6pm time frame).

Lots of swimmers going to Championships; most swimmers 10 and under going to Champs in Coach Heather's memory.

Any swimmers going to Championships will have their Meet entry fees covered by RAPRD. This is funded by the \$5/event fee that all swimmers pay to RAPRD throughout the year (part of every meet entry fee)

This is the youngest RACE team that Coach Heather can remember, our oldest swimmers are 16 years old. Lots of kids in the 11-14 age range.

Coach Kethry will be leaving in June to join the military. Coach Heather has several older teen candidates that currently teach swim classes who have expressed interest in joining the coaching team. As the departure timeline approaches, Coach Heather will start working with those individuals to have them start working with Coach Kethry to transition.

Spring and Summer schedule is being built by Coach Heather and will be submitted to RAPRD for approval soon. Currently looking at 1-2 meets in April, 3 in May. Parents present at the meeting expressed an interest and willingness to attend the Lincoln City meet last weekend in April, Heather to research.

End of Summer – at this time, the tentative plan (not confirmed by RAPRD yet) is to have the final meet of the summer at Newport, the Seahorse Invite, Aug 7-9. There would be camping, team award presentations, etc. like previous Coos Bay events. Due to this event being one week earlier than last year, there will be one additional week of practice afterwards before the season terminates and we go on break till school starts again.

## **Athlete Report**

Ryan discussed how limited coaching staffing has led to “not a lot of difference” between squads. High School season is still underway, winter weather conditions have limited some competition events.

## **Meets**

Spring and Summer meet schedule being worked with RAPRD, more to follow soon.

## **Discussion and Comments**

N/A

Meeting adjourned at 7:58 pm.

**Next meeting will be at 7:00 p.m. Wednesday, Feb 19<sup>th</sup>, 2020**