

Approved Minutes:

Stuttgart Piranhas Board Meeting Minutes

12/18/2019

- Call to order: 5:50pm
President, Vice President, Volunteer Coord, Webmaster, Concessions, Social Coord, High School Liaison, Stats, Registrar, Treasurer, and Head Official in attendance
- Old Business
 - Approval of October board meeting minutes
 - Confirmation of e-vote to defer signing a contract for Masters Program
- New Business
 - Treasurer Report/Budget
 - Currently have €73K in the Euro account
 - Paid pool bill - €6,000
 - Concessions from home meet raised \$324.65 and €306
 - Raffle baskets raised \$107 and €71
 - High School gift wrapping raised \$23 and €34
 - Swim meet expenses is budgeted for €750
 - Divisionals will require funds
 - Mandy needs to purchase supplies
 - Home Swim Meet AAR
 - Head Official (Matt) noted that there were more DQs than normal
 - More qualified officials were on deck
 - Distracted swimmers
 - Need coach re-enforcement of rules
 - DQ Slips – although Matt feels there is no need for carbon copy slips, both Stats and Head Coach recommend using them. *Lisa (VP) motioned to approve the use of carbon forms if the cost is under \$100. All voted approved.*
 - Discussion about scratches and changes at marshalling. Emphasized that all changes must go immediately to the Head Official then Stats.
 - Matt is not deploying and will continue his great work for the team
 - From VP:
 - More concessions volunteers needed for home meets
 - Well run meet – thanks for all meet attendees
 - Pool was in terrible shape when we arrived to set up. Keep our standards high and leave the pool in better condition than when we get it.
 - For future home meets, recommend we keep the pool set up in the morning of the meet – it only took one hour to set up

- Home meet for 18 January at risk due to the away teams not sending any swimmers. VP (Lisa) motioned that we cancel the meet and request the EFSL allow our swimmers to compete at SHAPE or Aviano/Vincenza meets taking place the same weekend as it does not make financial sense to hold a meet with no outside swimmers. **All voted Approved.**
 - Further discussion about how we work coaching if we are allowed to attend the other meets. No decision was made.
- Divisionals
 - Lisa and her team are still working the plan for Divisionals
 - *Motion was made to request a funds for a rental van to carry equipment. Van would cost approximately 80€ with around €150 for gas.*

All voted Approved
- Head Coach Report:
 - Divisionals
 - All swimmers expected to participate
 - Each swimmer will swim 3 individual events and 2 relays
 - Coach and Stats will pick events for every swimmer in order to maximize potential points for the team
 - Swimmers and parents will not chose events
 - Tech suits authorized – any color
 - This year's team cap (Silver 19/20) must be worn
 - Christmas Swim
 - All practices will be from 0530-0700 at Maichingen
 - Theme will be "Olympic Swimmers"
 - Old high school swimmers home for Christmas break will be welcome on deck – "Once a Piranha, Always a Piranha"
 - Coaches during the break:
 - Monday – Sam – Gold
 - Tuesday – Michi & Sam (Gold), Cindy/Tory (Red), Josh (Black)
 - *Michi motioned for 2 of Sam's college teammates to swim with team during Christmas break. All voted Approved.*
 - Coach Nick resigned from the team.
 - New technical consultant – Coach Mark – will be helping the team out.
 - Wednesday Clinics at Maichingen
 - Sam & Mark will coach
 - 15 swimmers max – by invitation each week
 - Run on Wednesdays in January and February
- Spring Training
 - 3 days a week (Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday)
 - 17 March – 4 June
 - No practice 7-9 April for DODEA Spring Break
 - Fun meet in May vice early June – invite Hippos to participate

- We will open 2 lanes for the Masters program during spring training provided their swimmers are out of the locker rooms prior to our swimmers getting out of the pool.
- Social Coordinator:
 - Divisionals pep rally
 - 30 January, 5-7 pm, Panzer Chapel
 - End of season banquet
 - 14 March, time TBD
 - Panzer Firehouse
 - Looking into catering options
- Stats
 - Number of swimmers attending meets:
 - 30-40 if the meet is within a 2 hour drive
 - 20+ if the meet is within 4 hours
 - 10-15 average travel to far away meets
 - 81% of swimmers at LD Champs dropped significant times
 - 31 swimmers qualified for Champs with 19 more close to qualifying
 - Huge amount of team will be pulled up
 - Eindhoven rooms are filling up. Book now if you are going or even think you are going

Meeting Adjourned: 7:00pm (**Next meeting January 23, 2020 at 5:00pm**)