

Stuttgart Piranhas Board Meeting Minutes
06 Oct 2021

Call to order: 19:02 Regular meeting held via Google Meet.

Attendees: President, Vice President, Registrar, Secretary, Treasurer, Statistician, Parent Liaison, Webmaster, High School Liaison.

Quorum present for voting purposes. Sept Meeting minutes not approved (not raised during Round the Horn).

President:

1. Volunteer Hours - now that the season appears to be underway, EFSL pools are remaining open and meets & community events are happening, a need has been identified to reinstate volunteer hours. Board discussed the number of hours necessary etc. and decided to continue with same requirements as previous years. Vote undertaken, approved.
2. Long Distance Time Trials - Coach Michi has requested to move the week for time trials to November to allow for Sindelfingen pool to reopen. Problem identified with 'no school November' as there are no full school weeks in November. In addition, we can't go past 14th November as this is the deadline for Stats to go in. Sindelfingen pool is always closed on Mondays. Original dates were the week of 18th October, suggest to push it back one week at most. President will reach out to Michi to ask if this is OK or worthwhile moving it. Need to get with Statistician to work out volunteer needs.
3. December Pentathlon - probably going to continue with Polar Plunge theme. Need more medals ordered. We award for the top 5 places in each group. VP will contact Equipment Coordinator. Last time heat winners got Duckies with Santa hats. Everyone thought Christmas themed prizes would be good. to see about ordering medals. question asked about relationship with High School. .

Treasurer

Treasurer owes Registrar for something (?). Stuttgart Community Spouses Club (SCSC) are awarding a grant again, the Treasurer will pick up check on the 15th. Splash fees raised 1235 Euros for pool fees. Treasurer asks that we use log sheets when accepting any money. EFSL still needs to be paid, the bill arrived from them recently - approx. 800 Euros. We now have 73 members. A question was raised about prorating new families coming in from waitlist. Bylaws don't mention prorating incoming, only those PCS'ing and leaving. Discussion followed with regard to what happens when Sindelfingen opens and we have room for more swimmers? Secretary suggested prorating existing fees for remaining season for incoming waitlist families (covering Maichingen, coach's salaries and expenses already calculated and paid for by existing families) and then determining the additional costs of taking on Sindelfingen and splitting it evenly among new and old families. Previously, Sindelfingen charged 157 Euros per day. Nothing decided on future fees, however, in the meantime an agreement was reached to prorate for the current incoming families who have just joined.

President suggested option to open a lane at SIndelfingen and charge parents to swim. It was mentioned that there have been enquiries with regard to a Masters swim already. This is something different. Tabled for later discussion.

President advised that we need to order DQ slips and need new batteries for starter system. Approval given to get costs estimates for batteries and to purchase slips.

Still only received the one pool bill for preseason swim.

HS Liaison

Three new highschoolers joined team, lettering in winter.

HS'ers met on 29th September, Captains to send meeting minutes shortly.

- HS'ers have go ahead to sell lunches during lunch time as a Fundraiser. Decided on Hot dogs/Chilli Dogs and chips and drink. Need containers, crock pots etc. HS'ers will need a list of volunteers. Parents with food handling cert would be useful, would be great to have more certified. Lunches will be happening every Tuesday, need to start advertising.
- Process of requesting a Baking Fundraiser at Commissary has been started. There are 4 dates in Nov/Dec at Commissary.
- Cost estimate for initial order of 20 jackets is \$62 per jacket. Will need to ask Treasurer to do a Google Order Form for this.
- Trunk or Treat going ahead, approval for one car and volunteers acquired. Discussed that in previous years we have accepted donations of candy and for every \$10 spent, one volunteer hour is awarded.
- Treasurer wants to give a box and forms to HSL before Fundraisers.
- Need to push publicity for HS swimmers.

One high school swimmer broke a team record (and a younger swimmer), Board members wondered if we were going to recognise them somehow. Webmaster advised that the stats of swimmers notable improvements and record results had been sent to Coach Michi for review but as yet no feedback. Webmaster will follow up.

Closing

Date for November meeting TBA. Meeting closed 20:34 hours.