

Border Swimming Meeting
April 14, 2021
Via Zoom

Meeting called to order at 7:05pm

Attendees: Jim Holcomb, Bob Sellers, Brett Elliott, Monica Benjamin, John Bernhard, Gus Viveros, Noemi Melendez, Jennifer Wallen, Connie Eichel, Todd Roberts, Rene Melendez, Amie Goeldner, Stephanie Otero, Adrian Slater, Alphonso Ruiz del Hoyo, Ruben Pallares, Brayden Goeldner, Wright Stanton IV, Joe Olson

Bob moved to approved minutes, John K. Seconded. Motion passed.
Monica briefed the BD Scholarship is posted on BD team unify page and was sent to team president and coaches.

Treasurer Report

Beginning \$57,791.87

Expenses \$9,542.50

Income \$20,651.73

Final balance \$68,901.10

Books for the first quarter were reviewed by Jennifer and Monica.

Teams are still carrying a balance for lane rentals and registrations from January and February, 6-week lag time on pool rental and incoming payments to BD.

John expressed concern about the BD bank balances being low. Connie will take care of trailer tags.

General Chair Report

BD contract with the city ends April 30th. City will not commit to swim meets. Gus reported the county rep. would be open to reviewing a meet including safety precautions. Adrian further reported Nye and Veronica would put the meet proposal on the agenda for the county commissioners April 26th meeting. John asked Stephanie to run the registered swimmers in the format that Cindy Crane use to provide.

Registrar

CPR in person extended till July only for those coaches that have taken the online course. In water safety class will be available soon as most coaches certifications will expire at the end of April. Jennifer asked if the teams could send Monica an idea of how many kids would participate in a meet. Todd further clarified, 10 and under, 11-14 and 15 and over.

Wright Staton III was nominated by Wright Stanton IV to be the liaison for the swim meets at Ascarate, John also volunteered to being the point of contact for the County. John also mentioned the outstanding balances would affect who will be allowed to have meets. Adrian mentioned having BD run the first meet.

Safe Sport (SS)

USAS new initiative/financial incentive for the % of teams that have completed their safe sport recognitions. SS expiring in August, information gets deleted from the system. No injuries reported for LSC. SS training are offered online and via zoom. SS leadership conference April 28th. John asked for support in completing the SS qualifications. Some LSCs are requiring teams to be SS recognized before holding meets.

John B. recommend to provide Jim H. a stipend for attending Olympic Trials. Bob moved to provide Jim H. \$1000 for trip to Olympic trials, Jennifer seconded. Motion passed.

Zones

All protections are based on 40 athletes, \$24,600 broken down as follows. Hotel \$6,409.20, Flights \$14,080.00, Food \$4,000.

Budget for coaches to go, vehicle, \$3,960. Gas \$750, Flights \$1,760, Per Diem \$1,200. Uniforms and misc in a total of \$4,769.55

Costs are based on 40 athletes, out of pocket is \$615 for athletes. Monica asked about deadline for planning. Wright briefed the application will post within the week and close on May 20, then selections would be made. As of now, only 8 kids would qualify for zones based on past criteria. Jennifer recommended a parents group that would be involved in the planning to cut down on costs. Stephanie wanted transparency on the costs to the parents. Monica mentioned the previous approved the amount was \$300 plus per swimmer not to exceed \$15,000. Noemi and John said they would like to attend zones. Jennifer moved for BD to provide \$15,000 to send a team to zones this summer, Amie seconded. Motion passed.

Athlete's Rep

Next meeting this Sunday at 5pm to deconflict practice times so the representative can attend. Athletes need to attend the meetings, there has been low attendance.

Monica asked for the minutes for the athlete meeting for the next meeting. John briefed that three athlete reps should attend the BD meeting. An instagram account was set up by athletes.

Coach's Rep

May water time may be challenging based on pool availability and the city's programs.

Sanctions

No report

Final comments

Adrian briefed that Andrea sent BD the possibilities for May. Pavo heater is still not installed. Eastside Nat only open to the public in May and not open for BD till June. Encouraged working together to make sure everyone has the times and lanes they need. Lane costs are returning to original costs. "Chime in" is a platform citizens can voice their preferences on the city's budget to discourage increasing costs for lane rentals.

No date has been sent to work on the lane allocation schedule for May. May lane requests are due April 23rd. Ascarate scheduling time at the pool in permits and there are no changes. As of now, Ascarate is booked for May. Ascarate won't allow teams to mix lanes. Todd mentioned for May, teams may need to swap between Ascarate and Nat, so each team as a 50 meter pool. Isaac brief he had lanes to give up at Nat.

Jennifer moved to adjourn, Adrian seconded. Adjourned at 8:50pm.