

****Marlins Board Meeting Minutes: August 27, 2024****

****Attendance:****

Buffy, Steven, Brooke, Juliet, Carrie, Susan, Amina, Jamie

****Agenda Items:****

1. **Parents Meeting:**

- Date: September 8, 2024

- Steven is preparing for the meeting which will be held on Teams.

-Topics from the previous year will be discussed.

-Renewal of Safe Sport certification is a focus, aiming to involve more swimmers and parents this year.

2. **Financial Update:**

- Carrie provided financial updates and noted a recent loss. Similar patterns were characterized as normal for this time of year.

3. **Back to the Pool Meet (Intersquad Meet):**

- Date: September 21

- Warm-up: 9:00 am, Meet Starts: 10:00 am

- Concessions will be offered and managed by the fundraising committee.

-The gym and field are booked, and an equipment test is planned for the week prior (confirming the date with Doug's availability).

-Brandon Votta has volunteered to run the computers.

-Juliet is creating and posting job sign up to team site.

-Carrie and Whitney working together on signup genius for concession and hospitality donations.

4. **Committees Organization:**

- Committees for Hospitality, Fundraising, and Meets were confirmed.

-Fundraising: Buffy and Carrie

-Hospitality: Susan and Whitney

- Meet Committee: Amina and Juliet

-The goal is to involve one family from each swim group on a committee.

-One family from each age group and senior group to Meet Committee.

-Andrea Carter has committed to merchandise.

-Ginger Avis has volunteered to book hotel blocks for travel meets.

5. **Partnerships and Sponsorships:**

- National Pools renewed their sponsorship.

6. **Fundraising Plans and Initiatives:**

- Swim-a-thon on October 19th was discussed.

- Carrie is exploring Fundraiser.com and following up with April Gorby on Raise Right.

7. **Equipment:**

- Steven to pick up a new laptop at Best Buy.

8. **Lancerlot:**

- Steven and Amina are involved in the renewal of a contract.

- Potential new coaching position for black group. As of meeting waiting on acceptance.

- Potential for Bronze and Gold group at CAC to receive an assistant coach.

9. **Summer Awards 2025 Preparation:**

- Name being changed to Summer District Champs.

- Discussed hosting in Christiansburg vs Liberty University. Amina is going to speak with Sue and Scott for their input.

- Briefly discussed adjusting coach travel fees.

10. **Sports Psychologist:**

-Decide against proposed psychologist.

-Whitney is reaching out to Mary Turner with VA Swimming if they have any suggestions for this area.

-Whitney is reaching out to Motivate the Game for potential senior group team exercise in October.

11. **Next Meeting:**

- Tentatively scheduled for September 18.