

Board Meeting September 19, 7:15

In attendance: David Leonard, Darcell Myers, and Priscilla Schmidt

Absent: Kirsten Frichette, Matt Leach, Jacob Hogg, Russ Whitaker, Jennifer Ellsworth, Dave Jones, Hongyan Sheng, and Heather Sandberg

Minutes edited by DJL for additional detail and information to ensure communication and transparency

1. Review of 2022-2023 financial situation and budget.
 - a) The club finished \$10,000 dollars in the black for the year, which is a testament to hard work of our club, especially with fundraising and meets. Thank you. While we still potentially have 4,000 IRS fine from several years back (waiting on appeal to IRS), we did finish in positive here.
 - b) Going forward it would be good to at end of season to better organize books so we can have an exact amount of carry forward before season starts. We can even look to move some of these monies into savings account or some other account to earn interest.
2. Review registration for 2023-2024 season
 - a) So far, based on our projections, the number of families who have registered is less than our anticipated projections. This is the same for the number of athletes, which means our revenues are under our needed projections for the year (about 10 K). While this was case last year, as we added families throughout the year, we will need to increase these numbers in order to cover out budgetary needs.
 - b) We do have a few families who have yet to register, who we anticipate returning to club, which should help in this regard.
 - c) We ask parents to spread word about Cougar Aquatics; encourage friends to consider our club; to disseminate our materials throughout the community.
3. Fall Fundraising
 - a) So far, we have had few volunteers willing to help with fall fundraising efforts in terms of reaching out to businesses and generating other ideas. While we understand everyone's hectic and busy schedules, if we don't see movement on that front (especially given our numbers), that will result in the need (requirement) of a financially demanding swim-a-thon. Please consider helping in this capacity
4. Board elections
 - a) Positions of Vice President and Treasurer in final year. We will need volunteers for these positions. We are hoping to have people elected October or November so they can shadow and transition.
 - b) If interested, please reach out to David.