

Ketchikan Killer Whales  
Board Meeting Minutes  
February 6, 2008

Call to order: Meeting was called to order at 6.30 pm.

In Attendance: Martin Reichgott, Lorraine Johnson, Trevor Stephens, Art Maioriello, Dorrien Hendrickson, Cathy Tighe and Sarah Corporon and Angie McCleary.

Public Testimony: none

Additions to Agenda: 1) Southeast Region Meeting in Juneau

Business Items:

- a. Approval of January 3, 2008 minutes: M/S by Dorrien/Art to approve amended minutes. Motion passed. Sarah will resend Martin the amended minutes for the KKW website.
- b. Received Communications: The Ketchikan Gateway Borough signed Martin's pay increase (which was finalized in January)

Coaches Report: January's roster was 75 swimmers, a drop of 5 swimmers. There has not been a good response to e-mails from the coach as to why the swimmers have decided to stop swimming. 12 swimmers attended the Craig Winter Games, and at least half the swimmers attended their first away meet. Coach is researching the question as to why less swimmers attended this year than in the past. There were 62 swimmers participating in the January 26<sup>th</sup> time trial. Coach is still not getting a strong percentage of families letting him know in advance that their swimmers will not be attending a time trial. Swimmers who were not at the pool by 8 a.m. were scratched from the trial. A March time trial is being planned but as of this meeting, a date had not been set. The chaperone policy will be discussed later in the meeting, but Martin reviewed the policies of the other teams in the region. Some of them have the same policy as we do; others allow their children to be in the room with the chaperone; other teams have exceptions. Our policy to date is that chaperones do not have their swimmers stay with them. The policy is in place to ensure that a chaperone is free to dedicate his/her self to any task and emergency that may come up. The annual Southeast Region meeting will take place Thursday, February 14<sup>th</sup>. KKW will be represented by Coach Martin and a Board member present in Juneau. A discussion of topics will be included in the meeting follow in New Business. Coach Martin also mentioned that Elisha Howard will be helping assist coach on a volunteer basis, to help her get her community hours which are required before graduation.

Officer's Reports

- a. President's Report: Rhonda Bolling will be called to see if and when she can come back to do individual swimmer pictures .
- b. Ways and Means: Dorrien is compiling a list of ideas, working on getting information together for booths, and will bring it for the March meeting. Mike Lyshol with South Tongass Service Station has offered to help KKW with a fundraiser. He would be willing to work with KKW to come up with some sort of punch ticket, and when the ticket is filled, KKW would receive a portion (perhaps up to \$.10) of the cost per gallon. Dorrien will look into this.
- c. Meet Director: Time trials will be March 1<sup>st</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup>. Trevor will put up sign-ups for these and also is beginning to organize the May Olympic Invite. He is also organizing an official's class, through Diana Chaudary and Ingrid Jones.
- d. Membership: No report.
- e. Treasurer: Lorraine mentioned that some parents have questioned "joining after the raffle" and therefore having to pay an extra \$25 per month to compensate. After some discussion, as a board, it makes sense to keep this policy as is.
- f. Secretary: No report

New Business

- a. Chaperoning Away Meets: After reviewing the chaperone policy for other teams in the area, and reviewing our own, it was M/S by Art/Trevor to leave the policy as is. There will be times that we may be flexible, though. Motion passed.
- b. Summer Swim Practice Schedule: The discussion regarding the summer swim practices revolved around whether or not we would hold practices on Saturdays. Martin talked about the fact that Saturday practices in the summer are not well attended. He suggested that if we did not have Saturday practices, then families would be able to plan their weekends, take a few days off and leave for vacation, without the worry of missing a practice. In the KKW agreement,

Martin not working on Saturdays does not affect his pay. The motion to not have practice on Saturdays during the summer was M/S by Art/Trevor and the motion passed.

- c. Southeast Region Meeting in Juneau: The meeting that will be held in Juneau before the SE Championships will discuss, amongst other topics, the following:

1. 10 & Unders swimming in the morning;
2. Review of Time Standards;
3. Dequalifying times (whether or not you CAN be too fast for a meet). This policy needs to be reviewed and clarified for the SE Championship meet;
4. Invitational Meets;
5. Re-configuring a meet for "Fun" (For example, a meet that would be called a "Fast 50"). These meets would encourage swimmers to sign up and would be considered for "Fun" because they aren't necessarily trying to qualify for another meet;
6. "Grand Prize Winner" type of incentive, where kids are scored throughout the year, and having prizes for kids with the highest scores.

Date and Place of Next Meeting: Next meeting will be the first Wednesday of March, which is Wednesday, March 5th, at 6.30 in the KKW office.

Adjourn: Meeting was adjourned at 7.39 pm

Submitted by Sarah Corporon, KKW Secretary