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## FAST Board Meeting Minutes Tuesday, May 26, 2009

**Board Members Present:** Renee Haynes, Walter Dauksher, Lance Holter, Krista Nero, Bill Spahn, Randy Pritchard, Lisa Hill, Todd Campbell

**Missing:** Rob Huey

**Meeting Site:** Wild Boar

**1) Call to order**

Meeting called to order at 7:40 PM by Randy Pritchard.

**2) Approval of minutes from 04/28/09 Board Meeting** – Approval was done via email prior to the meeting.

**3) Membership Report** – Randy Pritchard

*149 Regular Swimmers* – This number is in line with the May/June numbers from last year. Swimmer counts for the practice groups are as follows: Silver1&2 (24), Gold1&2 (36), White (24), Blue (19), Pre-Senior (24), Senior (22)

*23 Masters Swimmers* – Currently seeing an influx of swimmers from Vortex because their pool is undergoing maintenance this summer.

*0 High School Swimmers* – Group will resume in the fall.

**4) Coach's Report** – Bill Spahn

The Cactus Classic in Phoenix was a very successful meet for the handful of 13&O swimmers who attended. Most of the swimmers made it back to finals in at least one event. It was nice to swim outdoors against “new” competition.

The long course practices on Tuesday and Thursday mornings are going to be busy this summer. College swimmers wanting to participate are being told they need to swim at all FAST practices to be eligible for long course practices. Athletes in Action, who last year had several athletes swim with FAST during the summer, has been told there will not be room for their swimmers this summer. The 23 masters swimmers will be sharing two lanes when they swim on Thursday mornings.

Bill is excited about the number of swimmers attending the travel meet in June. Talking with other coaches, Bill has learned that a number of teams are NOT making a trip this summer.

The coaching staff is really encouraging swimmers to participate in the State Games of the West meet in Colorado Springs Friday July 31<sup>st</sup> and Saturday August 1<sup>st</sup>. The meet is a short course yards meet held in the Air Force pool. This meet is intended to give swimmers not qualifying for Long Course State incentive to swim the last three weeks of July before taking a month long break in August. A block of rooms has been reserved at the Residence Inn.

FAST is once again accepting new swimmers. Lance Holter will write a note and see that it gets posted on the website. Bill sees the most spots being available for younger swimmers.

**5) Treasurer's Report** – Todd Campbell

Financially, the team is staying “right on track.” Everything is going “according to plan.”

April was a drain on the team's cash. We had a number of expenses including the intrasquad meet that lost money, and we didn't receive our state funds from CSI. May should see positive cash flow. The state meet money from CSI has been received, and there is significant revenue from the May meet.



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The May meet generated slightly lower revenue compared to last year's May meet due to the reduced per swim fee FAST is now charging. The meet was still highly profitable.

FAST will be subsidizing between \$2,500 and \$3,000 of the travel meet. There are enough swimmers attending that two buses are necessary, but neither bus will be completely full.

6) **President's Report** – Randy Pritchard

None

7) **Old Business**

a) Backstroke Flags

FAST is evaluating three different designs for adding backstroke flags to the practice lanes in the shallow end of the pool. No additional progress was made on this issue in the last month.

b) Travel Meet

- 1) The buses will leave after the Thursday morning practice on June 4<sup>th</sup>.
- 2) There has been a request from parents to post a rough itinerary of the trip on the website. Lisa Hill said she would check with Jan to see if the itinerary could be posted.

c) Add in Summer Club City Championship Program

Rob Huey has taken this action item.

8) **New Business**

a) Bulkhead Pulling Schedule

The bulkheads need to be pulled on Monday night and Wednesday night to have them in place for Tuesday and Thursday morning practice. The bulkheads need to be repositioned on Tuesday and Thursday morning after practice. The board decided to offer two volunteer credits to people willing to cover a "bulkhead pulling session." Volunteers are being asked to pick a Monday evening, Tuesday morning, Wednesday evening, or Thursday morning and then be available to move the bulkheads throughout the summer for that session. Lance Holter agreed to draft a notice to seek volunteers. The notice will be sent to Lisa Hill who will update it with the particulars of how to sign-up for the positions.

Bill Spahn wanted to make sure that the people signing up for the position have the physical strength to move 150 pounds continuously for 15 minutes as an eligibility requirement for moving bulkheads.

There is some concern that we won't have people in the positions for the first week of bulkhead pulling. Randy recruited some board members to be available if needed.

b) Terms & Conditions

The board spent 45 minutes reviewing the Terms & Conditions. Lance Holter will make all of the appropriate updates to the document and resubmit it for final review.



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c) Meet Entry Fees

A discussion was held regarding how meet entry fees are paid by teams attending FAST meets. Our meet information states that teams must submit payment along with their entry submission. There are several teams that do not follow this policy. Many teams attending FAST meets send email entries well ahead of their checks, and a few teams pay their entry fees when they arrive at the meet. When FAST attends away meets, we ALWAYS submit our payments with our entries.

The possibility of NOT entering a team's entries until a payment is received was discussed by the board. A decision was not made, but the issue will be reviewed again prior to the December meet.

d) Board Member Recruitment

There will be two board positions that need to be filled in the fall.

e) Next meeting: Tuesday June 23rd

9) Adjournment

Motion to adjourn made by Krista Nero and seconded by Renee Haynes. Motion passed by unanimous approval. Meeting was adjourned at 9:45 PM.