

Meeting

Douglas County Stingrays Board of Director's Meeting

Tuesday, March 6, 2007 Mike Miller Called Meeting to order - 7:11 PM

In Attendance: Michael Miller, Mike Burgess, Lauren McGuire, John Martin, Cara Meilus, Wenona Mills, Randy Jarman, Judy Prokopiak, Lindy Boatman

- Minutes of the February 8, 2007 meeting were distributed prior to the meeting and all comments from Board Members incorporated.
 - Motion to accept minutes: Mike Miller
 - Seconded: Mike Burgess
 - In Favor: All
- Treasurer's Report (John Martin)
John distributed the February Profit & Loss report, including an expense by vendor report. We are going to be charged lane fees beginning February 19, 2007. The lane usage invoice for February has not been received.

Mike Miller also distributed copies of the slides he presented in the Parents' meeting. Of note, we are targeting that 30% of our team revenue be from fund raising activities for 2007.

- Coaches Report (Randy Jarman)
 - ❑ June Swim Meet - Still waiting for USA approval. All officials and key people have been lined up to help. We are having a one-day, Sprint Pentathlon on Saturday, June 16, 2007. Several teams have already committed to bringing kids.
 - ❑ Schedule - RJ distributed a proposed summer practice schedule, including group breakdowns. We are going to request to have the aquatic center from 8 - 11 AM and 5- 7:30 PM, six lanes, Monday through Friday. Year round and summer swimmers will be separated as necessary. Summer swimmer practice times will be approximately between 5- 7 PM, but will be dependent on the number of kids signing up, and their ability level.

The daily routine will be: mornings for running, dryland, and swimming (yardage based and work intensive). Afternoons will be for drills, technique work, filming, etc., will be emphasized.

We are also going to add the summer Sting-A-Thon to our schedule. And, we may try to have a "Candy Bar" meet, where kids pick a couple of races and try to beat their times. If they do, they win a candy bar.

We are going to have our annual banquet @ third week in August.

- ❑ Summer Swim Camp - will be week of June 25th. Camp will be all day, for five days, and include lunch. Cost will be \$150 for the week.

Old Business:

- Status of liability insurance - Not discussed.
- Electronic payment of dues
Mike Miller distributed a copy of an Authorization Agreement for ACH Debit payments, and a copy of a contract for DCS with DC Bank to process these payments. Mike Miller made a motion to authorize John Martin to sign the contract with the bank, and to accept the contract. Additionally, all Board members have until Friday, March 9, 2007 to comment on the contract. No response regarding the contract is taken to be an accept as is. Cara Meilus seconded the motion. All were in favor.
- Advertising in Chapel Hill News and Views for April - Mike Burgess made a motion that we spend \$539 and place a 1/2 page add in the April addition of Chapel Hill News and Views. Lauren McGuire seconded. All were in favor. Deana Sneyd is working on placing the add. The add will include summer swim and summer camp information.

New Business:

Winter swimming recognition day.

We will not have an official recognition day for winter swimmers. We will continue to have an annual banquet that recognizes the entire year's accomplishments. However, we will still consider a team outing, or some fun day activity for the kids.

Discuss how we determine dues for swim meets.

Cara Meilus suggested we change the way we charge for swim meets. Instead of having a flat fee for all swimmers, regardless of number of events a child swims, charge a base \$5 or \$10 coaches surcharge, plus a \$3 or \$4 events fee. Judy and Randy mentioned that this can be done in Meet Manager and an amount due document can be created. Judy, Randy, Cara, and John will look in to the feasibility of this system.

Swimmers who are more than two months behind in their dues will not be allowed to participate in away meets. We should not fund or cover meet expenses with other teams for swimmers who are not paying their dues.

In addition to the above, Mike Burgess added that if you are 90 days overdue on your monthly team dues, you do not swim at all. We will work with all families that have financial situations that cause them to fall behind on dues. The goal is to include as many swimmers as possible on the team, but to manage our financial situation too. Mike Miller made a motion to accept, Mike Burgess second, all were in favor.

Consider adding swimmer folders to our communication effort.

Cara is going to work with the coaches to set this up.

Additionally, Mike Miller distributed an article, *A Guide to Avoiding Assured Swim Club Website Disaster Part 1: Who, Me?* We are evaluating the use of the web and our whole communications effort to members.

Summer Swim Program. Pricing, marketing, etc.

Summer swimming will cost \$195, with discounts for additional children. The summer will begin on May 14, 2007, and end on July 22, 2007. Registration and evaluations will begin at the start of May. The fee includes swim practices, swim cap, T-shirt, and USA summer membership. Practice will be @ 5-7, Monday through Friday. Mike Burgess made a motion to accept, Lauren McGuire second, all in favor.

Summer Swimming Staffing (Lindy is not going to be available for summer coaching)

We will work with Ashley Prokopiak for additional staffing.

Committees: Not Discussed.

Swimmer Recruitment
New Swimmer Support
Fundraising

Meeting was adjourned at 9:00 PM.