## Maui Dolphins Board Meeting Minutes from 10/09/08

Present: Glynis Okamura, Mari Jo Brown, Malcolm Cooper, Amy Anderson, Linda Tocho, Sandy Drake, Maureen Maeda, Riki Maeda, Jerry Flores Absent: Marna Harrell

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by Glynis at 5:05 pm.

Approval of Minutes: Previous minutes were not reviewed.

## **Discussion:**

Glynis suggested that the board meet once a month on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of the month. Glynis noted that she had a long talk with Malcolm and for the most part were on the same page. Both Glynis and Malcolm feel retention is very important. Glynis opened the board to discuss people's thoughts and expectations.

Malcolm said he would like to encourage young swimmers to come to meets and do a few events. In general, he would like to see more swimmers competing. Mari Jo said it was important to directly ask what swimmers liked and disliked. Glynis said she would like the club to support off-island trips. Amy said she was new to the club and was anxious to learn about meets and other possible activities.

Malcolm noted that there had been thefts in and around the pool, and that police reports have been filed. He said the front entrance would be locked as necessary when there is not a presence at the front desk. Mary Jo said swimmers need to consider going to the bathrooms in pairs in later hours.

Malcolm said his newsletter for October was in the works. He noted that the Sakamoto pool is closed due to a broken pump and that several meets will likely change venues. He also noted that the Pukalani pool would have filter repair in the Jan/Feb time frame. He would see if practices could be held elsewhere. Malcolm also said the 2009 long course season would start a little late.

Malcolm suggested that meetings be occasionally be held sometime other than 5:00 to 6:00 pm. This way other coaches could participate. He also noted that there was a coaches clinic on Oahu in early November. There would be some reimbursement from Hawaii Swim for two coaches, but suggested the club help with a third.

Glynis felt that the IRS liability issue for the club should be tackled head on. Mari Jo said she would draft a letter to be given to all families requesting donations to pay down the debt. Mari Jo said she would need the club tax ID to put into the letter. A \$50 request would be suggested in the letter.

Malcolm said he'd put any minutes onto the club website. He also asked if it was okay to put email addresses of board members onto the website. Everyone said it was okay.

## New Business

<u>**President's Report:**</u> Glynis said she would push for more communications. A monthly newsletter would help tremendously. Malcolm said he would work on the newsletter.

Mari Jo noted that many clubs on Maui earn money doing services such as running the parking at events.

Riki volunteered to order swim caps for the team. The caps would be yellow with the Dolphin logo in blue.

Glynis said she was endorsing Pay Pal for monthly fees. Linda said it was easy and she could implement it fairly quickly. She noted that a 3% fee was involved. Riki motioned that the club use Pay Pal. Sandy seconded the motion and it was approved. Malcolm said he would mention the Pay Pal option in the newsletter.

<u>Adjournment:</u> The next meeting is Thursday, November 13, 2008. The meeting was adjourned by Glynis at 6:03 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Riki Maeda, Secretary Maui Dolphins