

**West Chicago Sharks
Board of Directors Meeting
Tuesday, January 11, 2022 via Zoom**

Attendees: Coach Dan Fors, Coach Kara Parry, Dan Clasen, Tom Wagner, Amy Martensen, and Kathy Kosten

Meeting called to order: At 6:32pm by Dan Clasen

Minutes from previous meeting approved: Dan Clasen made a motion to approve the December minutes, Tom seconded, all were in favor. The December minutes will be posted to the website.

Financials (Stacey Gallagher):

- The Polar Bear Classic meet should net the Sharks \$10,000, because it was half the size of the Fall Fling meet from November.
- What does Team Unify cost the Sharks annually?

Coach Update (Dan Fors):

- The February Frenzy meet filled very quickly. There are 540 athletes, 245 swimmers each session. Participating teams are Academy (4 sites), Elgin, Tide, Hornets, Schaumburg, Lake Shore, and the Sharks. To fit 4-hour time requirements, unfortunately relays will be cut. This meet should bring in \$25,000 before fees.
 - The CDC is advising 5 days for isolation and 5 days masked, but since swimmers cannot mask, Coach Dan and Coach Nick recommend swimmers still isolating for 10 days.
 - At the next West Chicago Facilities meeting, will spectators be restricted again?
 - To fulfill the Safety Marshall position at meets, there will be a no cost nonmember training course for parents.
 - IV Conference – This is on Sunday, February 20, the weekend after February Frenzy.
 - Practice will continue through the school year at the West Chicago High School, but due to a ventilation upgrade project, the Sharks will need to practice elsewhere during the summer.
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- In March, the Sharks are hoping to run conditioning and strengthening clinics and then the Spring/Summer session will run from April to July. Planning for Pre-Team will need to be looked at.
- The Sharks will continue to recruit in the Spring, some of the new swimmers may only be here for this year. Coach Dan will put out a Survey to find out how most new swimmers heard about the Sharks and then the Sharks will focus their efforts on these successful recruitment areas.
- For Concessions, Kayla Johnson is requesting the large fridge that doesn't work be removed from the swimming concession area and the Sharks will purchase another little fridge. The fridge will be stored in this area, but moved to the Hospitality room for meet usage.

Team President (Dan Clasen):

- Meets are very short on officials right now, in the Spring do a big push to get more officials.
- The Sharks need to budget for new computers for the AO table. There should be minimal investments made until a new scoreboard is purchased since everything will be upgraded with the new system.
- In the future, the Board should discuss the Summer Splash meet. Is this a possibility for summer of 2022? UIC costs about \$10,000 for the weekend to rent, FMC would cost closer to \$15,000 and the warm up pool may not be available. This is a meet where the Sharks break even. The longer the Sharks go without doing this meet, the more experience we lose from the parent volunteers.
- Can Coach Dan put out a survey monkey to find out which parents are interested in fulfilling the meet director, volunteer coordinator, and official roles?

Meeting adjourned: Kathy made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:31pm, and Amy Martensen seconded the motion. Meeting adjourned!
