

**West Chicago Sharks  
Board of Directors Meeting  
Monday, July 11, 2016**

Meeting called to order at 7:00 by Kim Rockwood

Note taker: Laura Trnka

Attendees: Dan Johnson, Nick Parry, Kim Rockwood, Dave Todd, John White, Allen Newendyke, Laura Trnka, Dennis Dybowski, Nicole Cleveland, Kathy Draughon

**Registration (Dennis)**

- We had 117 swimmers in the spring session, and are down to 99 for the summer, for a loss of 18 swimmers. This does not include the Sharks for Heyer swimmers, who are a separate payment structure.
- There are late registrations for two families that Dennis is addressing.

**Coaches Report (DJ and Nick)**

- DJ has been meeting with Nick and Dan Fors in preparation for his retirement. To wrap up this season, Nick will handle registration for Senior Champs and Dan will handle registration for IV Conference, Regionals, and Age Group Champs. Both Nick and Dan will need to get super user access within Team Unify.
  - With the renovations at the school, our current hospitality room will become a room to score items for the high school PE program. We will get the smaller room next to the current hospitality room. We may be able to use the larger room for hospitality and meets, though it will be more crowded.
  - There is no update on a pool rental increase. Nick confirmed that we are charged a little less than the park district when they use the pool for rental. An increase to this rate would be minimal, if that is the direction. He should find out more by the next board meeting.
  - Nick proposed moving the senior practice groups to a year round schedule rather than fall / winter and spring / summer. The annual schedule would last from September through the end of July. Swimmers would be billed in 11 increments, though swimmers in high school programs would be charged for 8 months of WCS to offset the 3 months with high school teams. Nick will draft fees and we will review at the next board meeting. The annual schedule will include recovery weeks with lighter work outs. With this proposal, we will eliminate stroke camp for senior swimmers.
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- With three coaches for the two senior groups, we continue to lose money with those groups. Nick's goal is, at a minimum, to break even with all groups. Because of this, Coach Nicole will be leaving the team.
- Nick will email proposed fees for the senior groups during the next board meeting.

**Financials (Allen)**

- *See attached report from Allen*
- Dennis will explore alternatives that would allow us to eliminate the WiFi hotspot that is used for meets.
- While reviewing Allen's report, we noted that items like pool rental and credit card processing fees need to be included in the proposed fees per group.

**Ways & Means (John)**

- John will be phasing out our Manna program due to low use.
- The scoreboard committee will regroup in the fall.

**Meet Director Report (Kim, in Bridget's absence):**

- Profit from Summer Splash was over \$10,000. All volunteer positions were filled.

**Upcoming Events (Dave):**

- Karen Clasen has asked us to pick up the old WCS documents that are in her house. Dave will handle this. We need to retain documentation for 4 years. Dave will move to electronic documentation rather than paper, and will check to see where duplicates exist in terms of our bank statements and Team Unify.

**New Business (All):**

- We did not sell any team suits this season. We will only order the sizing kit in the fall.
- Tom Schmidt will host the state party for Senior Champs, to be held on Monday August 2<sup>nd</sup>. Kim will talk to the Fors family about plans for a party for Age Group Champs.
- Carol Cook will need to order shirts for the state teams soon. There have been issues in the last season with swimmers names not included on the shirt. The last chance for swimmers to qualify will be at regionals, and the coaches will see if anyone new has a chance to qualify at those meets.
- The team banquet will be combined with DJ's retirement party. Kim will contact Hawthorne's to confirm a date, with our first choice being August 20<sup>th</sup>.

DJ motioned to adjourn the meeting and Dave seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 8:25.

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