

**West Chicago Sharks
Board of Directors Meeting
Monday, October 12, 2020
Via Zoom Meeting**

Attendees: Coach Dan Fors, Coach Kara Perry, Board Members Dan Clasen, Stacey Gallagher, Amy Martensen, Carol Mathias, and Kathy Kosten

Meeting called to order: At 5:36 pm by Dan Clausen

Minutes from previous meeting approved: Stacey made a motion to approve the September meeting minutes, Carol seconded the motion, September meeting minutes approved.

Financials (Stacey Gallagher):

- The Sharks are in a new financial situation because of Covid 19. This cannot be sustained; we need to be in our home pool and get our numbers up.
 - Paying \$1200/ month for Healthtrack.
 - Paying \$4900/month for FMC. Total 35 swimmers
 - Paying \$1500/ month for hotel pool. Total 10 swimmers
 - Total \$6600 per month Total 45 swimmers

 - The Sharks are paying monthly right now what we paid for the entire winter season.
 - The September checking account balance was \$63,000. The October balance is \$58,900.
 - There are between \$10,000 and \$11,000 of dues coming in. Income for high school girls is \$7200 and for high school boys will be \$5700.
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- Going out are rentals and coach's salaries. This is breaking even except for coach's pay.
- Financials are complete except for coach's hours and pay.

Coach Update (Dan Fors):

- There are 35 swimmers on the team, 8 high school boys will leave us in a few weeks for their season and 3 girls will return from their season.
- This is a different year, last year the team started at 80 and grew to 120. A few people have transferred, not because they were dissatisfied with the Sharks, but because of better schedules, location, or financials.
- Practices are working well, not great times, but we are in the pool! A reminder was put in shark bites for the swimmers not to clump together.
- A mask and pants order went in. It is ok to do something small like this or a social, as long as you break even.
- Ella Mott's Mom, Megan Bjornstrom organized last winter's photo, this year individual photos can be taken and then merged into a large group photo. Stay tuned for more information on this!
- The House of Delegates meeting was held on October 4th. There is nothing new to report because everything is on hold. There will be no championship meets and they are waiving our annual team charter of \$200.
- The ISI is down 40%, yes, budgeted less, but also still down.
- Phase 4 has another relief package coming.
- The Coaches will chat to do something fun and challenging for Halloween this year.

Team President (Dan Clausen):

- Kids seem to be doing fine and we have good swimming locations.
 - We can get the kids up on the blocks for an unsanctioned meet or can have them certified by a few parent volunteers – timers and officials.
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- The West Chicago pool has said no earlier than January for returning to their pool, but things can change.
- This current schedule can run through the winter season.
- We wish the girls good luck, who are doing spread out conferences and then sectionals!

Comments:

- Coach Kara mentioned that Swimmer's Edge is closing. She thinks someone will buy them out, but something to pay attention to.
- Amy asked if we wanted to go forward with the butter braid fundraiser right now. It takes about 4 weeks, 2 for orders and 2 to fill orders. Where would we have them delivered to and pick them up? This might further tax those who paying high season dues right now, and the order might not make minimums because it is too small. It was agreed to wait on this fundraiser right now.

New Business: none

Meeting adjourned: Stacey made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Amy seconded that motion. Dan adjourned the meeting at 6:17pm.

- The next Sharks meeting will stay on the second Monday of the month at 5:30pm, so Monday, November 9th, at 5:30pm. We hope to see you then!

Respectfully submitted,
Kathy Kosten
