

West Chicago Sharks Board of Directors Meeting Monday, January 11, 2021 at 6:30pm

Attendees: Coach Dan Fors, Bridget Fors, Coach Kara Parry, Dan Clasen, Carol Matthias, Stacey Gallagher, Amy Martensen, and Kathy Kosten

Meeting called to order: At 6:33pm by President Dan Clasen.

Minutes from previous meeting approved: Dan Clasen made a motion to approve the December 2020 minutes and Carol Matthias seconded the motion.

Financials (Stacey Gallagher): All checks and invoices are up to date and the taxes have been filed. The Board will continue to monitor the Sharks' status of "treading water" and spending about \$3000 a month. Amy Martensen made a motion to approve the January financials and Carol Matthias seconded the motion.

Team President (Dan Clasen): Dan suggested the reintroduction of dryland since swimming has been paused for over a month. There was mixed acceptance of this program over the summer, but as a club, it would show the Sharks are doing as much as everyone else for skill retainment and competition. He also reminded the Board to make sure their training and background checks are completed for Illinois Swimming.

Coach Update (Dan Fors):

- At the Governor's press conference this afternoon, he stated that starting January 15, if regions meet the criteria, then regions can move to Tier 2 mitigations. Youth swimming was allowed at this Tier, so Coach Dan has reached out to FMC, Health Tracks, and the hotel pool, telling them the Sharks are ready to get in the pool as soon as we are allowed.
- The first few weeks could be bumpy, how much warning will there be? Our region 8 is very up and down, and the criteria must be met for three days in a row.



- The plan is to get back in the pool until the end of February, and that would complete our season. Even though there is normally a swim rest in March, there would be a March option for training that would roll into April and the next season.
- The Sharks Club will continue to operate like this, assuming we can't get back into West Chicago High School. Coach Dan will approach outdoor pools for the summer.
- The Sharks must be diligent in case there is a positive case.
- All Fitness and Sports clubs have lower enrollment right now.

Comments:

- Board Elections are normally held in February. In order to follow the Sharks' by laws, these still need to take place. The option of a ballot through Survey Monkey will be considered.
- Coach Kara has found a lot of updating that needs to be completed to get us to a Safe Sport Status.

Meeting adjourned: At 7:12pm, Amy Martensen made a motion to adjoin the meeting and Carol Matthias seconded.