

Bozeman Multisport Aquatics

Board Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, July 13, 2017

In attendance: Cam, Lisa, Gina, Laura, Caty, Sam, Grace, Emily, Kris (by phone), Christel Chvilicek

1. Meeting was called to order at 5:21 PM.
2. Minutes from June 6, 2017 were approved.

Minutes Approved 8/24/17

Coaches Updates

3. Caty
 - a. Missoula Meet went well with good time drops for our swimmers. There were about 400 swimmers with many out of state swimmers. Several parents were training to be officials
 - b. Helena Meet went well. The temperature was hot, but it was a very fast meet with a few swimmers getting Zones times. BMA parents Tracy Flikkema and Kate Huston trained to become swim officials.
 - c. Caty will organize a BMA parent informational meeting at the beginning of Short Course that emphasizes the need for parents to volunteer, especially as timers at meets and to become meet officials.
 - d. Caty purchased 2 tempo trainers and fulcrum paddles as training tools for our swimmers.
 - e. We have 7-9 swimmers that plan to swim at the State Meet. Caty thought she would be fine as the only coach, but Grace may volunteer her time to coach with Caty. Kris asked about putting together some BMA relays for the State Meet so swimmers without state times can participate. It was decided that Caty would work on our relay rosters. The charge for relay-only swimmers will be \$20 to cover the fees.
 - f. Caty has the registration ready for August 28-31 Splash Camp. The charge will be \$25 per swimmer. It was decided that a Splash Camp banner at Bogart Pool is not needed. Caty will open registration now.
 - g. Registration for Short Course will be opened on August 1 to make billing easier. We would like returning swimmers to register early so we know how many slots are available for new swimmers. Caty estimates that we have room for about 16 swimmers in each training group.
 - h. Masters team is struggling financially. Caty will ask Masters Coach Janelle if they would be willing to part with some lane time because it seems they don't need all of their rented lanes. We would like another lane on T Th Sa.
 - i. Barracudas haven't hired a head coach yet.
 - j. BMA parents have noticed and appreciate the extra emphasis that our coaches are putting on proper stroke technique. Thank you coaches for doing a great job!
4. Grace
 - a. Grace is back from her Europe trip.
 - b. Grace will have MSU classes 11-5 M W F, so she will be available to coach evenings this Fall Semester.
5. Emily
 - a. Emily helped coach the Helena Meet. There were a couple DQ's with our 8 and under swimmers. It was a long and hot meet, but our swimmers had fun.

- b. Emily has a class 6:30-8:30 PM on M W this fall semester, so she isn't available to coach during those times.
- c. There is a concern that our Latino Splash Camp is reducing the coach/parent interaction time for BMA families. It was decided that if we do another Latino Splash Camp, it should start at 7:45 PM. Emily is trying to talk with BMA parents during the first 15 min of Latino Splash Camp.

Treasurer's Report

6. Gina
 - a. Financials do not include June pool rent. There will be a couple more meet deposits too.
 - b. Cam was reimbursed for team shirts. We decided to give each coach 2 team shirts.
 - c. Gina will pay John the remaining \$400 turn wall loan balance.
 - d. Gina will charge Charlotte Martin funds the cost for us to do the 6 weeks of Latino Splash Camps. That includes 2 lanes for 1 hr, all coach time (including Kris) at \$15/hr, 8 hr administration time for Kris, all helpers at \$10/hr (Alex, Amber, and Laina), and ice cream costs. That will leave about \$3600 for scholarships.
 - e. We should end Long Course season with about \$4000.

Old Business

7. The Latino Splash Camps have received overwhelmingly positive responses from both swimmers and parents. So far 3 swimmers have joined BMA. Roughly 70% of the kids arrived with no swimming skills. The attendance has varied from 11 to 32 swimmers a night. The total number of swimmers that have registered is 48. By the end of Splash Camp 3 we expect several more swimmers to join BMA for Short Course.
8. Gina will order 2 BMA Brookies banners. One is for the Swim Center wall and the other is for the coach table at meets.
9. The new team shirts are in and people like them. They run big, so several families had to trade down a size. We are out of the XS sizes.
10. Cam asked Phil from Masters for another lane on T Th but he said no. She will talk to Lon about getting 3 lanes at 4-6 PM on T Th F. We probably could get lanes on Friday evening, but Caty and the assistant coaches would prefer another time.
11. Laura reserved a block of rooms at the Red Lion for the BC championship March 10-11 in Polson.

New Business

12. Christel has been looking at funding sources for BMA to help pay for the new pool bulkhead. She has identified some possible funding sources, but many say we do not qualify for their funding because of our EIN business classification. Gina has tried in the past to contact the IRS and get this corrected. Gina will work on contacting the proper person at the IRS. Christel will put together a list of grants for us to consider applying for. Christel suggests that we have parents list their special skill areas as part of the swimmer registration process so we can make connections in the business community.
13. A swim club has offered to give BMA some used 25 yd and 50 m lane lines. The Swim Center will need 25 yd lane lines when the new bulk head is installed. Kris will store them until they are needed.
14. Upcoming events
 - a. July 28-30: MT Long Course State, Bozeman.
 - b. Aug 1-5: Senior Zones, Fresno, CA. Caty is the assistant coach.
 - c. Aug 28, 29, 30, 31: Short Course Splash Camp at 6:30-7:30 PM.
 - d. Sept 5: First day of Short Course 2017/18.

15. Next meeting – Thursday, August 24, 2017, 5:15 PM.

Meeting adjourned 7:06 PM.