

Bozeman Multisport Aquatics

Board Meeting Minutes

Thursday, August 24, 2017

Minutes Approved 9/28/17

In attendance: Cam, Lisa, Gina, Laura, Caty, John, Grace, Emily, Christel

1. Meeting was called to order at 5:30 PM.
2. Minutes from July 13, 2017 were approved.

Coaches Updates

3. Caty
 - a. Caty had a coaches meeting to organizing Splash Camp for Aug. 28, 29, 30, 31 at 6:30-7:30 PM. Swimmers will be grouped according to age. Grace, Emily, Griffin and Caty will be coaching along with several volunteer Junior and Senior BMA swimmers. Splash Camp enrollment is at 31, but Caty may allow 2 more swimmers that have contacted her about enrolling. Caty would like 2 Board Members at each Splash Camp night to be available to interact with parents. Senior swimmers will begin practice on Aug. 28 from 7:30-8:15 PM.
 - b. Short Course registrations are expected to be around 60 swimmers. Caty would like to cap ST1 at 24. ST2 is full right now with 17. The number of Junior and Senior swimmers that will register is still uncertain.
 - c. BMA has 6 lanes on M Tu W Th 6:15-8:15 PM and Sat. 9:30-11:30 AM. Caty, Grace, and Griffin will coach M W; Caty, Grace and Emily will coach Tu Th; Assistant coaches will rotate Saturdays. Caty would like to continue focusing on technique training and will work with our Assistant coaches to be most effective. All swimmers will be encouraged to practice on Saturday, since we have the most ST1 and ST2 lane space at that practice with ST1 swimming first hour and ST2 second hour. However, swimmers will have the option to choose their practice days. Caty is hoping the numbers will work out with available lane space. During High School season when more pool space is need for Hawks, Barracudas will lose lanes at 4:00 and add 3 evening lanes resulting in a net loss of 2 lanes. BMA will lose 1 evening lane. Elizabeth Hill has offered BMA lanes on Friday 6:15-8:15 PM, but it was decided to see if we need more lanes before committing.
 - d. Caty will organize a parent meeting at the beginning of Short Course. She will heavily encourage parents to volunteer at meets. There is a need for more timers at meets, especially small meets where BMA is a large percentage of the swimmers. Requiring parents to complete a set number of volunteer hours was discussed, but that could be difficult for some families with small children.
 - e. All 4 coaches would like to attend the Coaches Clinic in Spokane September 9-10. Registration cost is \$200 for an entire coaching staff, so it will be affordable education for our coaches. Kris will be coaching JR and SR from 9:30-10:30 AM on Saturday, Sept. 9. Then JR and SR swimmers will help Kris with ST1 and ST2 from 10:30-11:30.
 - f. Caty has no travel plans for Thanksgiving or Christmas. There will be no swim practice on Nov. 22, 23, 24 (W-F). The Swim Center closures at Christmas and New Years will determine the BMA holiday practice schedule.
4. Grace
 - a. Grace has no holiday travel plans, but has a conference in Orlando, FL on Oct. 3-7.
 - b. Grace presented options for BMA buttons and stickers. BMA will purchase 200 buttons for \$83. The buttons will sell for \$1 or be given out as a thank you for volunteering to time at a meet. 200 kiss cut stickers of dimension 2"x2" will be purchased for \$90 and will be used as rewards for swimmers. 200 clear stickers for car windows of dimension 5"x5" will be purchased for \$242 and sell for \$5. All items will have Bozeman Brookies with the team fish.

5. Emily
 - a. Emily will be out of town and unable to coach Christmas week.
 - b. Emily has passed the rules and regulations test. She is working on Coaching 201 .
6. Griffin has submitted a bio for the BMA web page. A picture is still needed.

Treasurer's Report

7. Gina
 - a. The MT Workers Comp report has been submitted and paid for another year.
 - b. Pool rent should be about the same each month as last season.
 - c. Quick Books is charging a monthly subscription fee now. That cost will be \$250 /yr more than previously.
 - d. Gina is still working on getting our EIN classification changed.
 - e. Expenditures on Charlotte Martin Funds were reviewed. The three Latino Splash Camps in June and July total \$1521.61, which was about \$20/swimmer. Scholarships awarded for July Long Course swimmers and Aug. Splash camp total \$175. Pending Short Course Scholarship awards for Sept.-Feb. total \$1,842. This leaves a grant balance of \$1,636.39. We are expecting to give out a few more Long Course scholarships.

Old Business

8. Gina ordered and received 1 BMA Brookies banner. Cam and Grace will hang the new banner at the Swim Center before Monday of Splash Camp. Gina will order a second banner to hang at the coaches table at meets.
9. The Swim Center seems to be all set with lane lines for the new 25 yd and 25 m lanes. The used lane lines that BMA was offered are still with the original owner.
10. Laura reserved a block of 25 rooms at the Red Lion for the BC championship March 10-11 in Polson. Laura will get the information to Cam so it can be added to the BMA web page. Laura will reserve hotel room blocks for all Short Course team meets. The optional meets that coaches will not be at will not have reserved room blocks.
11. Our Swim Center lane contract for Aug. 28-Nov. 15 has been signed and returned to Elizabeth.
12. Gina will print more white T-shirts for Splash Camp. Those together with extra T-shirts that Gina has been storing will be given out to Splash Camp swimmers.

New Business

13. Available Short Course meets were discussed. The team meets will be Billings IMX Challenge on Oct 6-8, Butte Mining Classic & Butte Montana Senior Championships on Nov. 3-5, Bozeman Teddy Bear Invitational on Dec. 9-10, Hardin Tropical Invitational on Jan. 20-21, Butte MT Swimming Short Course State on Feb. 23-25, Polson BC Championships on Mar. 10-11, and WA Spring Senior Sectional Sectionals in Federal Way on Mar. 15-18. Optional meets swimmers could attend but without a BMA coach are Great Falls FAST Snowflake Invitational on Jan. 6-7 and Missoula MAC Winterfest on Feb. 2-4.
14. The remaining balance on the new Swim Center bulkhead has been paid off by the Barracudas.
15. Caty would like to explore the possibility of working with Friends of Belgrade Pool, which is a nonprofit organization that helped fund the splash park in Belgrade and started raising money to build a pool at Lewis and Clark Park. She will check on their account balance. Christel will put together a list of what would be needed to be successful with a capital campaign of that magnitude. We could start with a \$6k purchase of software that helps identify likely donors. Caty will check with Jason Karp, Director of Planning Department in Belgrade, on land availability for a pool at Lewis and Clark Park.
16. Upcoming events

- a. Aug. 28, 29, 30, 31: BMA/Brookies Splash Camp at 6:30-7:30 PM.
 - b. Sept. 4: Labor Day. Swim Center closed.
 - c. Sept. 5: Tuesday, first day of Short Course 2017/18.
 - d. Sept. 8, 9, 10: Coaches attend clinic in Spokane WA.
 - e. Oct. 6-8: Billings IMX Challenge.
17. A special pool meeting: Thursday, Sept. 7, 2017, 5:15 PM.
18. Next Board meeting: Thursday, Sept. 28, 2017, 5:15 PM.
19. Meeting adjourned 8:02 PM.