

Montana Swimming
Executive Board Meeting
February 9, 2015
WebEx/conference call
Approved - April 13, 2015

Present:

Tony Popp - President
Curt Jacobson - Admin Vice Chair
Richard Allen - Finance Vice Chair
Tami Peters - Secretary
Craig Smith - Treasurer
Rosanne Flann - Safety Coordinator
Shelly Sobek - Safe Sport Coordinator
Jacob Byrne - Coach Representative
Lisa Keyes - Age Group Vice Chair
Andrea Schmidt - Sr. Athlete Rep.
Sami DuVal - Sr. Athlete Rep
Alyssa Boese - Jr. Athlete Rep

Absent

David Berkoff - Program Development Co-Vice Chair
Kyle Potter - Program Development Co-Vice Chair
Kirby Beierle - Technical Planning Chair
Patrick Brennan - Jr. Athlete Rep

Business

1. President Tony Popp called the meeting to order at 8:03 PM
2. Approval of January 19,2015 minutes: Motioned by Curt, 2nd by Shelly, passed.
3. **Athlete Reps reports/updates:**
 - a. Andrea - HS state this weekend and everyone is focused and getting ready. Bozeman bid for the mixed meet looks great!
 - b. Alyssa - Tapering for HS state; club team is going great as well.
 - c. Sami - Also getting ready for HS state, then other big meets in March.
4. **Update on Butte YMCA Pool:**
 - a. Tony attended Butte's one day meet last Saturday. He took a full tour of the mechanical facility and talked to many authorities involved (health department, Susan, YMCA staff). Chemicals are good, temp is good, water clarity and level are good. Dane, pool manager, has been monitoring the pool and its maintenance diligently over the past weeks. Tony recommends we continue forward with SC state at Butte.
 - b. Jake - Water was crystal. Pool seemed fine. Has some questions about a current license.
 - c. Tony followed up with the license issue and it should be taken care of very soon.

- d. Shelly - When will the event file be on its way? Tony will contact Susan immediately after this meeting; it should be on the web site tomorrow morning.
 - e. Our bylaws state that the event file is to be out 2 months prior to the meet.
5. **Treasure Report:**
- a. Craig sent out unaudited financials for viewing, review, and questions before the spring HOD meeting. Still working on wrapping up some small details.
 - b. In general: Roughly \$44,000 in assets at 2014 year's end. P&L: about \$30,000 increase in revenue, club expenses down about \$7,000.
 - c. Mixed meet last year basically broke even.
 - d. \$2050 from license plates in 2014. \$3325 in total plate sales to far. \$4000 is the breakeven point!
 - e. LSC now has roughly \$200,000 in the bank; about the most we want to hold there. Focus now should be on spending the money for the benefit of the athletes.
6. **Leap Level 2 update:**
- a. Athlete Development section - Both Open Water Swimming and All Star Team are two areas we don't have anything to qualify. There are many other areas in this category where we do get lots of points though.
 - b. Biggest category of deficit for us: Club and Coach Development. Many LSC's put on clinics for the coaches. Committee Participation by coaches is another area we could expand. Club Recognition - suggestion is to have a banquet and awards ceremony for the coaches. Volunteer Development & Business and Organizational Success are both sections that also need lots of work.
 - c. Shelly asked if we could attach a coaches clinic to the end of the Mixer Meet? Also, AAA camp as well as 12 & U are termed our 'All Star Athletes'.
 - d. Curt will put together and send out a document summarizing the areas we need to work towards and the points each are worth in achieving LEAP Level 2.
7. **Zones update:** Lisa
- a. Senior Zones (Clovis): Hotel is booked. Vans are available. Allen from Billings is assistant coach. Still need chaperones. Forms updated and on the MT Swim website.
 - b. Age Group Zones (Hawaii): Forms updated also and on the website. Uniforms and gear are on the way. Jake and Kyle are coaches. Criteria for taking additional swimmers who do not have a hard cut is being developed by the coaches. Goal is to have a total of 24 swimmers (4 from each age group and gender minimum to fill relays). Goal is to fill out every age group first, then invite additional swimmers. Challenge this year is booking blocks at hotels in Hawaii within a reasonable distance of the pool and at a reasonable price (\$200+ a night). Lisa & Nicole will be chaperones.
 - c. Cutoff date for coaches is in March after Age Group Sectionals due to travel arrangement to Hawaii.
8. **Mixer Meet: (April 18-19, 2015)**
- a. Will be looking to add educational session for coaches. Possibly other activities also to count towards LEAP Level 2 (possibly Safe Sport related).
 - b. Meet will be sanctioned. Liability work will also be done.

- c. Tony continued to encourage athletes to discuss among themselves what they would like to see happen in the Mixer Meet. Get these ideas and information to Shelly at SC State.
9. **Strategic Planning Session: (April 25, 2015)**
- a. Hotel site will be La Quinta in Helena (both conference and sleeping rooms available).
 - b. All HOD members should attend, as well as at least one additional member and one athlete rep from each team. Board members, be talking to your teams about this opportunity.
10. **LSC Coordinator Position:**
- a. Richard sent out an informative document on this proposal after the January 19, 2015 meeting. Encourage all to go back and read this.
11. **Next conference call meeting:** Monday, March 16th, 2015, 8:00 PM.
12. Tony adjourned the meeting at 9:02 PM, none opposed.

Submitted by Tami Peters - Secretary