

ALL-STARS SWIM TEAM PAC MEETING

Jan 12, 2016

6:30pm

YMCA Birthday Room

Meeting called by:	Coach Al	Type of meeting:	Parent Advisory Committee Meeting
Facilitators:	Irene Denault & Coach Al	Secretary:	Michelle Neugent
Attendees:	Abi Griffin, Didi Vincent, Amy Butler, Heather Kelly, Trisha Lee		

MINUTES

I. **PREVIOUS BUSINESS:**

A. Committee Updates :

1. Fundraising and Incentives-

POC: Didi Vincent

Status: (OPEN-ongoing)

-Fundraising: As of this meeting, \$375 has been collected for heat sheet ads for CT #3, with two more checks yet to come in. Total collection is expected to be around \$495.

-Dillons: Dillons has renewed our account in the Community Rewards program. Members should go into their accounts to renew our swim team as a recipient; it does not carry over from last year.

Action Item: Irene will ask Amber to send an email out to notify families to designate Andover Swim Team as a recipient in Community Rewards.

2. Apparel:

POC: Abi Griffin

STATUS: (OPEN)

-The white, silicone Championship Qualifier caps are ready, need a count of those currently qualified and those who are reasonably projected to do so. The caps would be purchased by PAC and given to the qualifiers. The cost is estimated at \$400. Abi Griffin made a motion for PAC to approve the purchase of the caps, Amy Butler seconded the motion. A vote was taken, motion passed without objection.

-Also, the qualifier shirt has been designed; it will be a red-fleck shirt. In order to have it available prior to MV District Champs, a different vendor was chosen to handle the project. Currently, we are anticipating having the shirt prior to MVDC. Orders will be due Feb 12.

-There will be a spring order, projected for March timeframe, probably following Spring Break. More information to follow.

Action Item: Al provides the list of qualifiers to Abi by Feb 8.

B. Community Service Projects:

POC: Irene Denault

Status: (CLOSED)

COAT DRIVE: It was reported that "about double" the coats were collected during this year's coat drive.

FOOD DRIVE: The Andover Food Bank wrote our team a nice thank you note for our work with the food drive and service at the food bank. It is posted on the team bulletin board.

C. Holiday Banquet

POC: Irene Denault

Status: (CLOSED)

The Banquet was held Dec 7 at the new Farha Basketball facility. Much positive feedback was received by several board members; it was well organized and a fun time! Next time assign people for beverages in addition to sides, also plan for 3 regular cut slices per person. There was concern expressed surrounding the timing of the event this year, as it immediately followed the 3 day Winter Classic in Lawrence, and during finals week for seniors. It was suggested that it fall during the break or after the holidays (January?) next time. It was suggested by Abi Griffin to add a committee designated for the coordination of summer and holiday banquets, possibly other social events. This idea was received well by attendees, with a suggestion that Amy Butler head this up. Amy said she would consider doing this but no sooner than the summer banquet.

D. Trophy Case/Flag Display

POC: Amy Butler, Michelle Neugent

Status: (OPEN)

Amy Butler noted the need to determine a budget in order to narrow the selection for trophy cases as there is a huge variety of options which range from \$360-\$2600. Michelle Neugent reported having spoken to Hopper Glass about building a shelf on the existing wall between the pool and "chairs" area. This option will cost about \$1040+ tax and uses the existing aluminum "shelf" and screws into the aluminum framework. Another option using the NW Window on the wall by the bulletin board will run \$8500-\$10, 000. This option includes a glass, lockable "case" with a shelf.

Currently the walnut flag/certificate display box is about \$90 on Amazon Prime. Of note: the display cases are not airtight, so case and its contents may be affected by humidity and moisture associated with pool conditions. The price seems to fluctuate for this product, suggest waiting another month or so to see whether the price goes down or is available elsewhere for less.

Irene suggested we table the discussion until next meeting to allow for additional options and estimates to be obtained.

ACTION ITEM: Didi Vincent to obtain third estimate on glass case option.

II. New Business:

A. Chisholm Trail #3: The CT meet was held here Jan 9. Very positive feedback was received by Irene and Michelle from various meet attendees. The following was noted:

-Pete Baden was on electronics, the consol was put on a platform which increased visibility and all went well.

-The announcers table was placed inside (for the music only) and also outside, utilizing a wireless microphone. Rick Denault served as the announcer. Many expressed that the sound was much more legible this time, additionally the starters has less interference.

-Abigail Yamamoto was commended for her work with the heat sheets, with thanks also going to Jennifer Yamamoto for printing (in COLOR!) It was suggested by Amy Butler that next time we try to obtain an entry count to calculate into our printing numbers, as we had many heat sheets leftover.

- Thanks also to Didi Vincent and Michelle Neugent for their help with the ads.

-Over 40 families volunteered their time, talent, or concessions related items for this meet. Many timers consisted of senior swimmers. (CLOSE)

B. Stroke and Turn Clinic: James Kuhlman came from Great Bend and served as our meet referee, also certified Deann Gadalla while he was here. Daisuke Otsuka and Butch Thomas completed a shadowing session. A thank you card will be sent to Mr. Kuhlman to express the team's gratitude for

his flexibility and service. We still need more officials, team parents are encouraged to accomplish this training and begin shadowing sessions ASAP! (ONGOING)

- C. **Team Manager 8.0 Upgrade:** This upgrade is automatic and is complete. (INFO ONLY).
- D. **President's Update:** The website is going well, thank you to Amber Wagner and Michelle Neugent for their efforts in this. The site is being utilized to obtain all team related information. CT#4 will be added this week.
 - The team gave all coaches gifts of a collared, team shirt and a cash gift. Thank you notes were received and shared with PAC tonight.
- E. **Coach's Update:** AI noted that we need an update for the annual **Lock-In**. Discussion surrounding this followed, with the decision made to select April 9 as a first option, with money collected in Feb. A secondary option is to hold the Lock In Feb 13. AI will talk with Shane Loy about this.
 - Spring Swim Break** will begin March 11 and resume March 28.
 - There is a major space issue in the pool during practice times, with the numbers of swimmers currently on each ability level in addition to lessons and open swim, lanes are crowded-- which also creates safety issues for swimmers. 8 swimmers in one lane are too many. Discussion followed regarding possibly capping team growth, or other options into resolving the issue.
 - All team members have renewed their **USA Swimming membership** (100+ members from our team!)
 - There were 19 DQ's from the CT#3. AI shared that he is considering an additional "helper" for Coach Matt, as there are currently 38 swimmers combined in AG1 and 2: 16 in AG1 and 22 in AG2.
 - **Team Records:** We had discussed in recent past meetings the idea of obtaining a records board. With the newness of our team and the fact that new records are constantly being set and broken, the cost; in terms of time and money, of maintaining this board may become excessive. It was suggested to instead consider putting the records on TU under the "Swim Meets" "Records" tab, and having AI and Jeff maintain. AI suggested that he and Amber start it, with Jeff taking it on in the near future.

F. **OPEN FORUM:**

Heather Kelly inquired about encouraging the swimmers to all wear matching team apparel (shirts, sweats, etc) to our team meets. Discussion followed and it was decided to encourage swimmers to wear any team shirt/sweatshirt to meets, with the idea that in the future we would try to attain all swimmers wearing the same shirt/sweatshirt on the same day.

The team handbook and bylaws need attention. It was suggested that committee chairs and expectations that they attend the PAC meeting as board members be added to the bylaws, among other changes. Board members need to meet to discuss the changes and then present to a future PAC meeting for approval.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:00 pm. Next meeting will be Feb 9, 2016.