

ALL-STARS SWIM TEAM PAC MEETING

Oct 14, 2014

6:30pm

YMCA Birthday Room

Meeting called by: Coach AI
Facilitator: Butch Thomas, Deann Gadalla & Coach AI
Attendees: Heather Kelly, Amber Wagner, Jennifer Yamamoto, Teri Dorf, Molly McClintock, Monica and Pete Baden

Type of meeting: Parent Advisory Committee Meeting
Note taker: Michelle Neugent

MINUTES

I. PREVIOUS BUSINESS:

A. Committee Updates :

1. New Member Welcome

POC: Amber Wagner

Status: (CLOSED)

New member communication:

-New members are being identified and an email is being sent to a "host family, with host family's email address included so that family can contact the host with any questions." That host family should be making efforts to identify themselves to the new member and provide support as needed. Any suggestions for improvement should be directed to Amber.

-The Team Unify site is actually further along than the new Missouri Valley site, and is already linked up in their system.

2. Apparel Committee

POC: Jamie Wagle (Update via email)

Status: (OPEN)

-Apparel orders were delivered last week. There are only a few outstanding items (one cap refund to be issued, and one towel to be re-done). Other than those, I think everybody is taken care of on this order. Thanks to Heather Kelly and Amber Wagner for helping with distribution while I was out-of-town.

-A check for \$700 from The Starting Block was given to AI. This amount represented 10% of the sales. We sold 59 team suits which is great.

-I would like to discuss PAC consider initiating a team suit policy that is similar to the Northwest Y and many other teams. It would be something like this:

"For those of you that are not familiar with our team policy, the traditional team suit which is available through The Starting Block is our official suit to be worn at ALL swim meets unless otherwise directed by your practice group coach. If your son or daughter has a problem with the fit of the team suit then you may purchase a plain navy suit to be worn at swim meets. If you have last year's team suit and it is still in good condition, you may also wear the suit at meets. The team policy states that no "Fast Skins" or "Aquablades" may be worn at meets unless directed to do so by your head coach".

-Possibility of a Christmas order. Do you think that people would want one? There will most likely be a need for team caps at that point. Also, we might be able to have team car stickers by then (depending on what transpires with the Y).

--Discussion took place on the policy vs guidance of team wear during meets, as well as advantages in presentation of teams wearing a unified suit, reductions in peer pressure, etc. It was decided that the current guidance in place (as evidenced in the handbook) would be revised, softening the wording to include "We encourage" (in reference to suits and colors) and continued as guidance, not policy. The revision will be shared and approved by PAC upon completion. Also discussed was the possibility of adding Swim Outlet link to our team unify site, signing team on as a Swim Outlet Affiliate Program member, which provides 8-10% commission of sales to the team.

- Action Items: AI and Amber to revise meet attire wording, present to PAC upon completion. Michelle Neugent to get details on the Swim Outlet Affiliate Program.

3. Committees Update:

POC: Deann Gadalla, Butch Thomas, Heather Kelly, Amber Wagner

Status: (OPEN)

-A notice was put on the board referencing committees. Committee signups are now on the website and can currently be found under "Events or Chisholm Trail Meet." The following committees and their descriptions can be found:

Chisholm Trail: Advertising & Heat Sheet: This committee is in charge of soliciting local businesses to advertise in our Andover Chisholm Trail meet on January 3. The committee will determine the cost of different advertising sizes and put together the advertisement sheets for the meet.

Chisholm Trail: Concessions: This committee will organize and set up the concession stand for the Andover Chisholm Trail meet on January 3rd, 2015. The committee will also be responsible for organizing concession help during the meet.

Annual Campaign (Strong Kids): This committee will work with Coach AI to organize swim team fundraisers to support the Y's Annual Campaign. Abbi Griffin has volunteered to chair this committee.

Fundraising/Incentives- Heather Kelly has volunteered to chair this committee.

-We need families to consider volunteering for the upcoming Christmas Party. A request will be made to reserve half/full gymnasium for the party. Need parents to help with setup/teardown. Families will be assigned a dish (like at the banquet). PAC approved PAC funds to pay for main dish (pizza).

- **Action Items:** Get Christmas Committee into signup. Have committees for our hosted meet begin meeting and organizing.

B. Fundraising:

POC: Heather Kelly, Pete Baden

Status: (OPEN)

-Pete presented three drafts of records boards. PAC approved "Option A," a board with different columns for girls/boys and age groups distinguished by colors. Costs would come in

maintaining/adding names and adding to the board. One option presented for consideration was an LED board, which would likely be more costly initially but might be easier to update. Pete is to look into this as an additional option, as well as costs for both. Sincere thanks to Pete for all of the work he is putting into this project!

-Jennifer Yamamoto offered her time and labor costs to construct a throw-sized quilt for fundraising efforts if PAC would provide fabric costs (about \$70). Discussion followed regarding whether one quilt would suffice, requested she consider two quilts; 1 All-Stars, 1 All Kansas Teams (pro/college). Pete Baden made a motion to approve funding for fabric costs, seconded by Monica Baden, PAC and attendees approved unanimously to fund this project.

- **Action Items:** Obtain costs for LED board + record board. Get \$ to Jennifer for quilting costs.

C. Anti Bullying Presentation

POC: Deann Gadalla

Status: (OPEN)

-The anti-bullying presentation was conducted 15-16 September. Approximately three swim team members did not attend and will be scheduled to make this session up. There have been two reported incidences of bullying, those two reports will be written up and maintained in the Coach's file.

- **Action Items:** Schedule make-up training for those who missed.

D. Meet Schedule/MVS Update

POC: Coach AI, Debbie Kiefer, Amber Wagner, Pete Baden

Status: (CLOSE)

-Noted change in venue location for Winter Classic from Lees Summit to Wichita Swim Club.
-AI discussed swapping out timing harness/starting unit with AquaShox, providing benefit to both teams as well as promoting esprit de corps amongst one another.
-Intra-squad meet was not held in September/October. May still try to hold one at some point.
-MVS update provided by Coach AI (*attach to these minutes*), noted changes in Time Standards, as well as All Star meet in Indianapolis in January.

E. Officials: TABLED UNTIL NOV MEETING

POC: Coach AI

Status: (OPEN)

Steve Spade and Daisuke Otsuka have taken the test and are accomplishing their shadowing sessions. The team has traditionally compensated for the registration fees. One BIG way to have more officials is to offer a clinic at *our* Y. We could have an informative meeting and then a clinic. Some have told me that they cannot attend the NWY clinic, we need a plan B and we need one at the beginning of the season for our team.

F. Triathlon: TABLED UNTIL NOV MEETING

II. NEW BUSINESS

A. Strong Community Campaign:

Shane Loy, Exec Director for YMCA-Andover discussed the Strong Community goals for this year. 20-30% of annual budget is spent on financial assistance. On November 4 there will be a planning meeting for new phases of Andover YMCA. Phase 1 includes new fields for LaCrosse, Soccer, etc. Phase 2 to be an additional complex, which could yet include new pool facilities. It was suggested that an exploratory committee be formed to develop this project suggestion, to

incorporate local city, school, districts and WSU. Suggested to form this committee NLT November. Also discussed was the YMCA-Andover policy of parents accompanying children under 10 into the YMCA and to their destinations, for the safety and accountability of the children.

B. Benevolence:

There are currently two known swim team families who are diagnosed with forms of cancer. Discussion followed over how to best provide for these families, without imposing. The two families have different needs, it was suggested that PAC purchase a \$100 gift card for each family, to help ease needs. Butch Thomas made a motion to approve, seconded by Michelle Neugent, approved by PAC and attendees. In addition, discussion over continuing to provide for these families as time/seasons/needs progress (meals, lawn/snow maintenance, car-pooling etc.)

C. Presenting New Business for Discussion: (INFO ONLY)

New business for discussion or for informational purposes is always welcome and should be presented either in person, or presented by an appointee who is present at the PAC meeting and is informed on the topic and can answer questions/conduct discussion regarding the new business. This helps alleviate confusion arising from incomplete information by third parties presenting said topics for discussion.

Meeting adjourned at 8:00 pm. Next Meeting: 11 Nov 2014 @ 6:30 Birthday Room YMCA