

Waves of Wilmington  
Board Meeting Minutes  
October 1st, 2019

Attendance: David Sokolofsky, Jen Hughes, Bridgette Phillips, Robert Hawthorne, Emily Reiniche, Elizabeth Claus, Carrie Bollenbacher, Michelle Rountree, and Rebecca Fairchild

Absent: Debbie Langtry

Approval of minutes: Changes sent to Becky via Bridget. Motion to approve-Emily, Second-Jen All in favor

Peer Leader update - Aysha Evans

The kickball social was a big success, approximately 30 swimmers participated and had a great time. Aysha would like to know if there is a separate budget for social activities.

Wave dual meet will be a mantra meet. Dave will send out an email regarding mantras and positive talk. Peer leaders are hoping to engage more of S2 & S3 during the dual meet. For Commotion, each group will make a mantra poster.

Coaches Report: Dave was happy with the KHK event. He was also very happy with the kick off party. He has also got some good feedback from parents. NC Nourish is very happy with the food donation and pending financial donation. The black team won the Inter-squad meet. Dave is going to make a few changes to the next meets. Our next one will be November 22nd. John won't be able to make that meet but Eric Ruppert has agreed to be the meet official. The proceeds from this meet will also go towards NC Nourish. Our third Inter-squad meet will be in February, the proceeds from that meet will go to Carousel House. We have 108 swimmers going to the BAC meet, and 114 swimmers going to the Wave dual meet. Dave submitted the team for a Club Excellence Award today.

Upcoming Meets: We will bill accounts for t-shirt sales. We need to get ads to Dave by the 7th of October. We will have the coaches social at the Wave dual meet rather than Commotion. Jen is looking for clarification on vendors for Commotion.

Parent Feedback: Michelle presented an idea of possibly having a parent liaison per swim group. This may help with dissemination of information. The board thought maybe we first try and get parents to understand who is on the board. Maybe it would be helpful if we shared a list of board members with maybe a picture next to their name. We thought that maybe a "team mom" maybe helpful from a social aspect. Dave would like to see us have another beach party in June as well.

Photographer Guidelines: We would like our photographers and any visiting photographers to have non-athlete USA Swimming Certification.

AOL Recruitment: Bridget met with Tami to get an understanding of what is required with the AO team. Essentially the team needs 3 AO people to run the meet, plus a float and an individual to run the Colorado timing system. Our team is really light on certified AO's. We need to send out a blast email encouraging parents to sign up. Bridget will send this email out, highlighting the benefits of this volunteer position. We also need a designated set-up and break down committee. Dave did a walk through this past weekend, and did not feel it was overly complicated. We need a new clock battery for the Colorado Timing System. It will be 120.00. Bridget will tell Tami it is ok to go ahead and purchase. Brent will install it. The Colorado System will also need a hardware a complete check of the system. This will require us to send the system in for a few weeks. It is recommended this be done every 5-6 years. Our thought is we will do this over the summer. The estimated quote to have this complete is about 600 dollars.

Code of Conduct: Emily will update our teams code of conduct in which to be reflective of the expected code of conduct with USA swimming. Dave would also like that each coach reviews the code of conduct with their team, and then sign that they were in attendance of that session.

Team Highlights: We would like to have an alumni page on our website. This would give us an opportunity to highlight the accomplishments of our previous swimmers.

Apparel: We were very happy with the team shirts. We are also looking to inventory our previous apparel. Dave will take some of the really old shirts and donate them to Good Shepard. The newer apparel we will try and sell at the meets and maybe an on-line store. We will sell shirts for 5.00, buy a shirt and get a free pair of socks, water bottles 5.00, chairs 20.00.

Next meeting: November 5th