

Waves of Wilmington  
Board Meeting  
September 16th, 2019

Attendance: Bridget Phillips, Elizabeth Claus, Robert Hawthorne, Debbie Langtry, David Sokolofsky, Jen Hughes, Carrie Bollenbacher, Michele Rountree and Emily Reiniche, and Rebecca Fairchild

Peer Leaders Update: Peer Leaders presented two videos that they plan on sharing with the team. First video focused on team spirit. Second video focused on how to handle your nerves. After viewing the videos the board provided some feedback. Recommendations included slowing down the timing on the first video, allowing younger swimmers a little more time to read. Also maybe discuss setting up chairs on deck to be more inclusive - maybe horseshoe rather than circle.

On second video - little choppy because of change of music so often. Slow down content. Went little to quick for younger swimmers to get message. Maybe little more explanation with bullet points.

These videos are meant to be a prop - and be a jump start into a conversation between the swimmers and peer leaders.

Aysha also presented the first "Senior Spotlight" for us to review. Peer Leaders will not be doing a newsletter. Peer Leaders will also be discussing mantras with the swimmers. The plan was to have the swimmers write their mantra on their arm for the dual meet. For Commotion, Peer Leaders are wanting to make a visibility poster that would display each swimmers photo, and then each swimmer would try and name each swimmer on the board. Whoever gets the most names gets a prize. There is some concern with this secondary to the number of swimmers that have opted out on the team photography policy. A decision was not reached on if to proceed with the poster contest.

Coaches Report: Dave is happy with numbers on the competitive team, we have 143 swimmers, We also have 23 swimmers in Foundations. We are little light on Dev. 1, but he anticipates this filling in over the year. He is really happy with his new coaching staff. Feels that they are very cohesive and have a positive attitude. Most teams have had their individual parent meetings. He is having each team come up with five traits that represent their team. The swimmers are coming up with these traits. These traits will be reinforced over the year. Dave will also share these traits with the peer leaders, with the hope they tie it into the mantras the peer leaders are discussing with them. We have few meets coming up. BAC meet was posted today. Commotion is a sanctioned meet now. Rachel is working on hotels for the December meet. Dave is thinking about a one day meet in November, maybe Nov. 22nd. He anticipates it only being few hours in length. He is going to check with John about officiating it. He is uncertain if we are going to do a dual meet with ECA in January. Team shirts will be ready by KHK meet. We clarified the fees for KHK. It is posted at 10.00, with 3.00 travel fee because it is a sanctioned meet which is required by USA swimming. Dave opted for 10.00 meet fee over 20.00 because anything over 20.00 we have to pay USA

swimming 8%. The meet fees are our donation to NC Nourish. We will also be donating food and NC Dollars. We are anticipating each Inter-squad Meet being a charity donation. We will choose different local charities. The team photographers will also need the Safe Sport Certification, along with the Peer Leader Mentors, Coaches, Officials and all Board Members. We need to have separate bathrooms for swimmers and non-swimmers. We will designate upstairs bathrooms on deck for Coaches, volunteers, and officials. The locker room bathrooms are for athletes only. We will communicate this with UNCW security. We will send out this info to all parents and teams. We will also make up some signage.

Treasurer Report: Debbie pointed out that we do not currently have a contract signed for the UNCW swim meets we assist with. She is aware of having one in the past, but can not locate one for this year. The last high school contract we have is from 17-18 school year. Debbie is going to reach out to Tammi Pruden in regards to this. We are also unclear on what assistance we will be providing at the UNCW meets. We know we are providing timers, but are we officiating and doing admin for the meet as well. We are unsure if John is assisting with officiating and if Tami is doing AO. Dave is going to reach out to John about officials and AO. To our knowledge John is working with Tami in regards to this. The budget passed for the 2019-2020 swim year unanimously by the parent body. Bridget set up emails for each board position, however we can only have 10 email accounts. Currently Emily does not have one. We may be able to adjust things to get her one. We are going to investigate this. Ideally we would like the Peer Leader Mentor to have an email as well.

KHK - Caps are ordered. They are to be here by the 25th. We have a new t-shirt this year. It is going to have a vintage look. The Nourish Van and bins are all set up. We need to check with Mike Cherry to make sure the Van can come on campus. Jen will look into this. We are going to hand out the KHK shirts at the same time we hand out team shirts, we are going to bundle them together. The KHK caps will be used at all the Inter-squad meets. We will be collecting oatmeal, peanut butter and jelly as food donations. We will be selling NC bucks as well. Dave is going to have Foundations still run for that night. Meet to start at 6:15. We will not have hospitality for the Inter-squad Meets. We have 15 t-shirt sponsors for this year, which brought in \$4,130.00. One of the sponsors also gave a 500.00 donation. This is included in the 4,130.

Kick Off Party - Dave will pick up the tents from storage for the event. Bridget will bring the team sign.

Commotion: Jen will get some clarification on vendors for the event. Dave opted for ribbons for the 12 and under.

Volunteer needs: John is looking for a parent to assist with meet set-up. We have filled the team photography need. We are also looking for someone to help with Social Media. We are hoping this individual can help with maybe a newsletter or website update.

Communication: We will post the Board Meeting Date and Agenda. We will post minutes but a condensed version.

Next meeting: October 1st