

Buffalo City Swim Racers
Board Meeting Minutes
March 17th 2016

Attendees: Mike Switalski, Ryan Connolly, Zach McArdle, Chris Muldoon, Trini Ross, Susannah Gray Boutet (via phone), Jean Lalomia.

Guests: Pat Scherer, Maggie Hamilton, Charisse Freeman.

Absent: Rich Bleichfeld.

The Board Meeting of the Buffalo City Swim Racers was called to order on 3/17/2016 at the Saturn Club, 997 Delaware Avenue, Buffalo, N.Y. at 6:49 P.M. by Ryan Connolly.

1. Approval of minutes: (Approved via email).
 - a. Motion to accept: Zach. Second: Trini. Carried.
2. Board member nominations: 3 year terms. Pat Scherer, Maggie Hamilton, Charisse Freeman.
 - a. Motion to elect: Jean. Second, Trini. Carried.
3. Discussion: Judge Givens. Restrictions on fundraising.
 - a. Motion to elect: Ryan. Second: Chris. Carried.
4. City Update / Westside Discussion. Monies from the City of Buffalo.
 - a. Received: \$ 15,940.66 to cover 7/1/20.
\$ 9,810.14 to cover 11/01/2015 – 02.29/2016.
\$ 15,459.00 Request to be submitted.
 - b. West Side options: D'Youville College.
 - School 6
 - c. Independent Health interested in Traveling Lesson Program. Possible support for this.
 - d. West Side Community Services. \$10,000. Looking for a corporate sponsor (Rich Products?) to match. Potentially, this would support expansion into the Westside. Target: Fall 2016. 3 days /week (follow the Emslie Program). We would put up \$10,000. Conversation to continue in 2 months.
5. Fundraising Discussion
 - a. Advertising / Pop up. We have some money banked to support. Potentially supported by Independent Health.
 - b. Need to hire Assistant Coaches. Posted. Accepting applications.
6. Water Safety Festival. 06/25/2015
 - a. Juneteenth: June 18th and 19th. BCSR to have a table. We will need to set up then staff for information distribution. \$100 to submit ASAP.
 - i. Suggestion: Independent Health assistance. To be contacted.
 - ii. Parental involvement with Juneteenth table?
 - iii. Who would coordinate staffing of table?
 - iv. Mike to look into Buffalo Fire Department involvement at the Water Safety Festival and that of the Emily Rose Foundation (Advocacy group for H.S. student training for compression only C.P.R.)
7. Golf Tournament (Susannah via phone)
 - a. Agenda / Assignments overview submitted.

- b. 08/22/2016 River Oaks Golf Club. Grand Island, NY.
 - c. Registration: 11:00. Cocktails: 5:30. Awards: following dinner.
 - d. \$500/ foursome (\$125 per person). \$65 dinner and cocktails only.
 - e. 1 Flight : players.
 - f. Deposit of \$500 to River Oaks needed.
 - i. Motion to reserve facility with \$500: Chris. Second: Zach. Carried.
 - g. Northwestern Mutual: Potential lead sponsor. 15-20 participants.
 - h. Assignment positions filled.
 - i. Sponsorship leads: Maggie, Patricia, and Zach.
 - ii. Raffle / Contest lead: Jean.
8. By Laws update / New 501(c)3.
- a. Our group is now too large to continue as part of Parent Booster USA.
 - b. Ryan to review By Law updates submitted by Zach, then will forward to Trini.
 - c. An attorney will review before we submit (Article of Incorporation and By Laws).
9. Parent Code of Conduct.
- a. Serious incident at a swim meet. A BCSR parent verbally attacked a parent from another team. Mike will attempt to obtain police report and facility director's report and see if a video tape exists.
 - b. A second incident involving the same parent taunting Coach Katie at the YMCA.
 - c. Parent and swimmer son are accusing the team / coaches of racism.
 - d. Family has left club.
10. Regional Coaches Clinic. April 15 – 17. Syracuse, NY.
- a. 2 ¼ Day event. Focus: Stroke training and Age group appropriate training.
 - b. Costs: \$200 each for staff. Additional: travel and meals. Best approximation: \$1000. Motion to cover \$1000 cost: Chris. Second: Trini. Carried.
11. Old Business: None
12. New Business
- a. Updating the mailing list to include our new board members will occur.
 - b. Mike will begin drafting a parent / family code of conduct. Chris will assist.
13. Adjournment
- a. Motion to adjourn meeting at 7:25 P.M. : Trini. Second: Pat. Carried.

Next board meeting: May 19th, 2016

Minutes submitted by Jean