**Minutes from Triple Splash Meeting**

**March 27th, 2018**

**Location:** Beckett’s house

**Members present:** Caren Beckett, President

Dana Nelson, Secretary

Joan Giesken, Vice President

Kristi Smith ,non voting member

Breanne Schroeder, Coach

Amanda Stechschulte, Board member

Joyce Utrup, Board member

Julie Knott, Head official

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Ken Horstman, Board member

Amy Utendorf, Board member

Michelle Giesswein, Treasurer

Diane Fenbert, Incoming board member

**Members not present:** Lisa Metzger, Coach

Amanda Schroeder, Y representative

Meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm.

Last meeting’s minutes from February were approved.

**Items bought:**  Walkie Talkies to use for champs. These were purchased before champs and were a great asset to use during the meet.

**Future wants/needs:** Velcro strips for touchpads (Bree will order 8) Possibly get new hinges on boxes so we don’t break any fingers.

We need to have the outside scoreboard looked at and fixed before summer meets starts. Additional kickboards.

**Champs wrapup:** Michelle and Caren shared our successful profits from the championship weekend. For next year the following notes have been made:

Additional signs to post: “For your child’s safety no one is permitted on deck without a deck pass” (post at front door, all pool entrances, clerk of course)

“Shoes must be worn outside of pool deck area” (post by locker rooms)

“$5.00 per day” (possible update of sign at check in)

“Bullpen swimmers only” or “Please use stairs on the other side” (stairs by where they sell heat sheets, so bullpen does not get congested during the afternoon

Front door: Heat sheets : charge $10 for the whole weekend or morning/afternoon sessions. Print 250 for morning and 350 for afternoons ahead. Also, relay to teams ahead - if you are not a verified coach and you want to be on the pool deck the day of event, bring credentials needed and $65 fee. Having a team representative at the front door area at noon to help with little swimmers. Make a paper for newbies about what to do with your new swimmer.

Hospitality / Awards : Next year, awards placing 1-6 will get medals, 7-20 ribbons. Relays 1-3 medals for all ages and 4-6 ribbons for all ages.

Clerk of Course : 7 high school swimmers or adult helpers. Categorized labels in the hall grouped by events. Bull Pen is hallway prior to chairs to line up, Clerk of Course is the area of chairs to line up. 2 team reps can and must be with the kids in bullpen (hallway) prior to entering clerk of course area. Team rep is not permitted in Clerk of Course. Coaches and teams reps know the difference. Coaches are not permitted behind the blocks for 8 and unders or we allow one team coach or rep. That’s it. For the purpose of crowd control behind the blocks. Caution tape off area of chairs keeping non-swimmers behind chairs before the time of event. Head official or other person needs to maintain constant crowd control. 9-10’s need to report to bullpen check-in before their events. We need to have a guard at the top of the stairs at 2nd half of the day to keep people from going down those stairs and interrupting the bullpen/clerk of course area.

Pool deck suggestions: Clear who is runner and heat winner runner before we start so we do not duplicate the job. Have senior “parade” logistics discussed ahead of time. Set schedule of passing out water on pool deck and who is responsible (water is in coolers in hospitality suite for refills) Older swimmers need to monitor younger swimmers and coaches need to work with them ahead of time so the younger and the older ones know why it is important for their safety to have them accompanied to locker rooms/ restroom / etc.

Concessions: Joyce has adjusted order according to what we used . More eggs and pickles! We need to add one more person to each shift. Next year, check with Amanda Stechschulte again for Keystone and Pepsi connections. Thank you Amanda! Also for T-shirt sales, we need to contact vendors about having Youth Small options available!!

**Champs needs:** We discussed as a group how to address safety issues of the swimmers. Definitely keeping them in the pool area is our number one priority with having the older swimmers accompany them to the restrooms/locker rooms as necessary. We will continue to discuss this and how to present in team packets for next year.

**Summer Swim:** Fees and info were distributed at end of season awards and is online. Poco Loco and Registration night will be May 3rd - 4 to 6 at YMCA. BBQ Chicken Dinner potential date right now is June 12th. Possible Sardines/Sharks fun swim meet Monday before Champs? Discussion was made on how to distribute tickets. USA swimming is also on the website.

**Contribution to the YMCA:** Discussion was made as to how we, as a team, could contribute back into the YMCA. We decided to make a donation for the upcoming Black Swamp Golf Outing that donates its proceeds back into Hancock and Putnam Co. YMCA’s. We will look into being a sponsor for this event.

**Hello/Goodbye:** Now that Ethan is all done with swim team, Kristi Hoffman will be stepping down from the board. Diane Fenbert has been accepted in and will be a good representative for the high school level swimmers. Thank you Kristi and Diane!!!

**Next meeting :** April 25th, 6:30 YMCA