

NANTUCKET DOLPHIN BOOSTER CLUB

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October 16, 2019

The meeting took place in the NHS Conference Room. The meeting was called to order at 5:04pm. Coach Garufi and Booster members Suzette Brown, Heidi Fee, William Phelps, Stephanie Dallas, Jill Roethke, Steve Roethke, Kristen Dussault, Tsetso Savov, Rose Marie Samuels and Tracy Roberts were present.

Coaches' Report: Coach Beau stated that there are a lot of meets in a row these next several weeks and the swimmers are working hard with no complaints. A "Swimmer of the Week" has been implemented and is keeping them encouraged. The swimmer of the week gets to wear a golden cap that they get to sign their name on – there was discussion to post the swimmer in the golden cap on the web site. The Fall sports are coming to an end at the end of the month and the numbers to the USS meets could increase by seven swimmers. Team Unify sign up system is also working well, and the signup deadline is usually a week prior to the meet sign up deadline. Rose stated she had a hard time signing up for the CCSC 11/8 meet but had Jim help her. Jill mentioned that the sign ups are working better for swimmers choosing their events because it is not two months before deadline. Beau also mentioned that Carlise Jensen will be starting to help the Age Group swimmers on Mondays and Fridays.

Next up was the motion to approve the minutes of the previous meeting. While the minutes were late Will was excused as this was his first time. Minutes were accepted and approved.

TREASURER REPORT:

The Treasurer's report was presented and the new caps have been paid for.

APPAREL REPORT:

A pompom hat has been added to the site and is available for purchase. Kristen is also looking to maybe add a towel to the team store – a tube towel and a striped towel from Lands End specs were passed around for all to see.

CONCESSION:

Kristen stated there will not be a concession stand at the first intrasquad meet but there will be a concession at the Dual Meet on 11/23/19 - permit has been applied for. Please sign up to help.

SOCIAL COMMITTEE:

There will be a Pumpkin Social on 10/25/19 for approximately an hour and a half after practice at the CPS cafeteria. Swimmers and guest will need to bring their own pumpkins; paint, glitter, glue and other supplies will be provided. There will also be a sign up for pizza and drinks as the kids will be coming straight from practice and most likely be hungry.

USS COMMITTEE:

All hotels are on Team Unify with hotel links. CCSC 11/8-11/10 hotel block was switched from Hampton Inn to Fairfield as the hotel will not be completed to open. The Quincy meet scheduled for 12/6 – 12/7 was switched to Danvers and the group rate was cheaper. Kristen was able to use her magic and get an additional room for Olivia Jackson for the ABF Roger Williams meet. Jill also encouraged all to sign up and take the safe sport survey for parents and swimmers. Sign up is easy for parents and swimmer and is on our website and USA Swimming and

DECK PASS. Tsetso added and wanted to know about the extra coach funds for going out while at meets.

FUNDRAISING REPORT:

Heidi Fee stated that an email went out and there was ZERO response and ZERO volunteers to captain any baskets. There was a lively discussion as to what our next step should be. Heidi stated and that she and Suzette have captained baskets the last two years and if need be, she would captain all four baskets. The lack of participation and the same families at the Booster meetings is discouraging. Basket raffle is too profitable of a fund raiser to lose. Jill was asked to prepare reports breaking down the cost per swimmer to be involved with USS as an option to "Pay to Play". Steve Roethke stated that without people stepping up and participating the program is going to sink. There was also discussion about just doing sponsorships like the t-shirt fundraiser several years ago. USS families are aware of the fundraising criteria and need to be held accountable and involved. Perhaps a sign-up questionnaire is to be sent out to all USS members stating the facts that unless there is participation you will be responsible for your monetary portion to cover USS expenses. A yes or no document requesting what fundraising option appeals to you and yet another request for Basket Captains is to be emailed hopefully Thursday.

FUNDRAISING REPORT NON-USS:

What is the budget? Need funds to cover awards, ribbons, etc.

Heidi suggested a booth at stroll weekend for new swimmers as USS will be off for a meet that weekend.

BY LAW DISCUSSION:

Tabled to next meeting

OPEN DISCUSSION:

Tsetso stated that many kids and parents (non-USS) don't consider this a competitive team especially with no meets. Stated swimmers should have the opportunity to go to one USS meet. Although Will did not add to this, he feels that USS is important to the future of the program. There was discussion about how difficult it can be for families to enter the club swimming world and we should find solutions to make this a friendlier transition.

USS is a big commitment and tough to get over hurdle.....Because of a scheduling conflict in the conference room the meeting was encouraged to disperse prematurely

ADJOURNMENT: Meeting was adjourned at 6:03 pm

