

FEC Booster Members and Representatives in attendance:

President	Marla Van Laningham	Member at Large		Member At Large		Swim Coach	
VP- Swim	Kristin Elser	Member at Large	Gail Lomba	Web Master		Synchro Coach	
VP- Synchro	Heather Hallstrom	Member at Large	Mike VanDen Enden	Swim Rep	Brooke Londeree	Guest	
Secretary	Kim Stowell	Member at Large		Synchro Rep	Emma Hallstrom	Guest	
Treasurer	Kerry Londeree	Member at Large	Diane Severeid	FEC Rec Supervisor	Ryan Harder	Guest	
Swim League Rep	Jon Mohle	Member at Large	Kathy Crow	FEC Aquatic Coordinator		Guest	

Approval of Minutes- begin 6:30pm

- The meeting was called to order by Marla Van Laningham at 6:35pm. Kim Stowell requested clarification on two items in last month’s minutes. Synchro coach name was misspelled and corrected. Notation about synchro teams competing if they are in adjoining counties clarified. Diane Severeid made a motion to approve the minutes as revised. Michael Van den Enden seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Treasurer’s Report (Kerry Londeree)

- Checking Balance- \$10,683.76
- Savings Balance- \$25,485.75
- The difference from last meeting’s balances is the Team Unify annual payment of \$299, which has already been budgeted and doesn’t need to be approved.
- Kerry Londeree inventoried the number of FEC caps on hand and realized we only have 25 remaining (silicone). We plan to design new caps next year, but don’t have enough to get us through this season with the number of new families. It is encouraged that swimmers wear team caps to meets. The vendor we used to use is no longer in business. Kerry proposes that we use Alpha Aquatics. They will sell us latex caps for \$2.75 per cap and we will sell for \$5 each. They will sell us silicone caps for \$8.50 each and we will sell \$10 each. We do not need to approve this, but we did agree to discuss all purchases as a Boosters. Boosters agreed to purchase 50 of each type of cap from Alpha Aquatics, which will leave us with 125 caps on hand for the season. We will reclaim the \$ spent since we sell them at a mark-up.

District Report (Ryan Harder)

- 167 swimmers on the roster, 25 or 30 of those are new.
- 19 swimmers on synchro, 2 are new.
- Pool capacity is 55. Until the County loosens the restrictions on large public gatherings and fitness facilities, we are limited to this many bodies on deck during meets. We will plan time trials under these restrictions, but hope that after June 15th, we can relax some of the requirements and allow more people on deck at one time.
- Ryan would like us to consider doing 2 sessions for meets (options are 10 and under on Friday nights, or 11 and up in the morning session and 10 and unders in the afternoon session). Jon Mohle is not interested in doing a Friday night/Saturday option, but will analyze the numbers and ages of families and see if a split session is something he thinks is doable for future dual meets.
- Restrooms have been an issue during practice. Kids who are not in the pool area, as well as parents, ask for access to the bathroom regularly. We proposed a gate monitor/volunteer to allow people in one at a time so that coaches or lifeguards are not distracted by this task. Ryan needs to discuss with his boss. It was suggested by Kim Stowell and Gail Lomba that a reminder email go out about restrooms once we figure out access issues. Some kids are using it to change and going in and out during their non-practice times, when they should remain outside the gate.

Synchro Updates (Ryan Harder)

- VF Cal Update - meeting was last Friday, May 7th. Schedule has been finalized and will be distributed on Tuesday, May 11th. The synchro rules will remain without modifications (other than allowing 19 year olds to still participate). Diane Severeid is concerned about other teams having really large teams. Typically FEC synchro won’t max out the new capacity limits, but larger teams will. Ryan doesn’t believe large teams like Auburn or Davis will bring all of their swimmers. He doesn’t believe the capacity cap will be an issue.
- The league decided to create 10 slots instead of 12 this year. Placing into the top 10 will advance from novice to intermediate.
- Competitions will include solo, duo, trio. But teams might be recorded and be judged/voted on in an online fashion. Champs will include 12 routines per team.
- No Aquacade this year. If anything, it won’t be public, just for families.
- Tracy Kerth has requested a roster of synchro swimmers (through Diane Severeid at the meeting). Ryan will send one.
- VFCAL swim league has decided to make their first 2 meets completely virtual.
- Judging Clinic will take place on May 23rd and will take place on Zoom.

Combined Swim/Synchro

- Clothing - Kim Stowell has had some issues getting communications from Jessica Flores, the clothing coordinator. At the last minute, she forwarded to Kim Stowell the suggested prices to set the garments at. The Boosters are in agreement with her suggestions and have given the go-ahead for Jessica to create and distribute an order form. We will request that the order form include the types of materials garments are made of. Once received, the order form should also be shared with Heather Hallstrom to distribute to synchro.
- Picture Date is set for Friday, June 4th. Photographers will only do individual photos and create a collage to make a team photo. Swimmers will come during their normal practice time.
- Booster Shirts - Kim Stowell, Mike Van den Enden, and Gail Lomba have requested new Booster Shirts. Kim will put together an order form for the garments. Marla Van Laningham has a source to get them embroidered. Kerry Londeree stressed that Boosters must purchase their own garments. Kim Stowell will ask for the cost of the garment, cost of embroidery, and a tad more to cover the flat shipping rate from each person who orders.
- Fundraiser Dates - Gail Lomba has set May 20th at Panda Express. Working on June 4th with Chipotle, but they don't normally do fundraisers on Fridays and we are waiting on store approval. She is also working on getting a Jersey Mike's night, as well as Skips Kitchen and Silver Sake. Splash 4 Cash scheduled for Wednesday, June 23rd. Spaghetti Feed will occur on the same night.
- Volunteer Donations to count as hours - the Boosters discussed the possibility of families donating food items for snack bar or spaghetti feed. Michael Wright has determined that \$30 equates to a shift. He will put together a wishlist that groups items into \$30 increments so that we can request donations that equate to a shift and that all donation amounts end up being the same for each family. However, for spaghetti feed, Boosters are discussing that a shift should equate to a particular type of food donation plus being a lap counter for a practice session.

Swim Team

- Nor Cal Update - Jon Mohle - not much to report. As Commissioner of Records at the League, he wants to check the times to see if we have any swimmers who have the possibility of breaking a record. If so, we should put a second timer in that lane. Was mentioned by other Boosters that the head timer or Meet Ref could step in if needed.
- What meets will look like - it has been decided to leave the order of events as-is for Time Trials. However, Ryan Harder would like us to consider a split session format, where the 11&up swimmers would swim in the morning and the 10&under swimmers would come in for a second session. Jon is a little unsure about how to make this work, but is open to looking into it. At this time, we are limited to a deck capacity of 55 people. Marla Van Laningham submitted a list of on-deck versus outside-the-fence jobs that was compiled by a few Boosters. This proposal gets us to a maximum of 56 on deck and we will most likely need to use this skeleton crew and capacity guidelines up through June 15th. After June 15th, if the County Guidelines loosen, we have a little more room to get more bodies on deck for our remaining meets.
- FEC Families will set up in the grass where visiting teams used to set-up. Visiting teams will set up in the park across the bridge in the large grassy area.
- Volunteers - We will keep 2 shifts of volunteers. If split session meets occur, the volunteers will be split into age group sessions, instead of split the meet in half for the 2 shifts. Kristin Elser will work within the skeleton crew deck capacity guidelines to post volunteer jobs for Time Trials. She will release job sign-ups for one meet at a time. Families limited to 2 shifts only for Time Trials.
- Ribbons - still need to discuss more, but we would like to do ribbons for swimmers this year. To help with COVID protocols, we suggest we get labels from host teams when we are away and put those labels on FEC ribbons. When we are the host, we will provide labels to the visiting team to put on their own ribbons. Ribbons can be an at-home job this year.
- Parking Lot - we will leave 2 handicap and 2 additional spots open in the parking lot for cars. The rest of the spots will be available for FEC families to set up tents. We must keep the fire lane open. We should consider a parking marshal at the entrance of the lot to keep cars out and keep walking swimmers/families in tents safe from car traffic.
- Parent Meeting - Kerry Londeree will get dates from Coach Jason when he is available to attend a Parent Meeting. This meeting can be used to explain what meets will look like to all families, introduce the Boosters and Coaches, answer any questions from new families, go into detail about volunteer jobs/shifts, and help families register for NorCal.

Adjournment: Motion to adjourn by Kerry Londeree. Seconded by Michael Van den Enden. Meeting adjourned @ 7:58 PM.

Next meeting: May 24th @ 6:30pm in front of Cottage Center