

Approved Minutes:

Stuttgart Piranhas Board Meeting Minutes 12/18/2019

- Call to order: 5:50pm
President, Vice President, Volunteer Coord, Webmaster, Concessions, Social Coord, High School Liaison, Stats, Registrar, Treasurer, and Head Official in attendance
- Old Business
 - Approval of October board meeting minutes
 - Confirmation of e-vote to defer signing a contract for Masters Program
- New Business
 - Treasurer Report/Budget
 - Currently have €73K in the Euro account
 - Paid pool bill - €6,000
 - Concessions from home meet raised \$324.65 and €306
 - Raffle baskets raised \$107 and €71
 - High School gift wrapping raised \$23 and €34
 - Swim meet expenses is budgeted for €750
 - Divisionals will require funds
 - Mandy needs to purchase supplies
 - Home Swim Meet AAR
 - Head Official (Matt) noted that there were more DQs than normal
 - More qualified officials were on deck
 - Distracted swimmers
 - Need coach re-enforcement of rules
 - DQ Slips – although Matt feels there is no need for carbon copy slips, both Stats and Head Coach recommend using them. *Lisa (VP) motioned to approve the use of carbon forms if the cost is under \$100. All voted approved.*
 - Discussion about scratches and changes at marshalling. Emphasized that all changes must go immediately to the Head Official then Stats.
 - Matt is not deploying and will continue his great work for the team
 - From VP:
 - More concessions volunteers needed for home meets
 - Well run meet – thanks for all meet attendees
 - Pool was in terrible shape when we arrived to set up. Keep our standards high and leave the pool in better condition than when we get it.
 - For future home meets, recommend we keep the pool set up in the morning of the meet – it only took one hour to set up

- Home meet for 18 January at risk due to the away teams not sending any swimmers. *VP (Lisa) motioned that we cancel the meet and request the EFSL allow our swimmers to compete at SHAPE or Aviano/Vincenza meets taking place the same weekend as it does not make financial sense to hold a meet with no outside swimmers. All voted Approved.*
 - Further discussion about how we work coaching if we are allowed to attend the other meets. No decision was made.
 - Divisionals
 - Lisa and her team are still working the plan for Divisionals
 - *Motion was made to request a funds for a rental van to carry equipment. Van would cost approximately 80€ with around €150 for gas. All voted Approved*
 - Head Coach Report:
 - Divisionals
 - All swimmers expected to participate
 - Each swimmer will swim 3 individual events and 2 relays
 - Coach and Stats will pick events for every swimmer in order to maximize potential points for the team
 - Swimmers and parents will not chose events
 - Tech suits authorized – any color
 - This year’s team cap (Silver 19/20) must be worn
 - Christmas Swim
 - All practices will be from 0530-0700 at Maichingen
 - Theme will be “Olympic Swimmers”
 - Old high school swimmers home for Christmas break will be welcome on deck – “Once a Piranha, Always a Piranha”
 - Coaches during the break:
 - Monday – Sam – Gold
 - Tuesday – Michi & Sam (Gold), Cindy/Tory (Red), Josh (Black)
 - *Michi motioned for 2 of Sam’s college teammates to swim with team during Christmas break. All voted Approved.*
 - Coach Nick resigned from the team.
 - New technical consultant – Coach Mark – will be helping the team out.
 - Wednesday Clinics at Maichingen
 - Sam & Mark will coach
 - 15 swimmers max – by invitation each week
 - Run on Wednesdays in January and February
 - Spring Training
 - 3 days a week (Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday)
 - 17 March – 4 June
 - No practice 7-9 April for DODEA Spring Break
 - Fun meet in May vice early June – invite Hippos to participate

- We will open 2 lanes for the Masters program during spring training provided their swimmers are out of the locker rooms prior to our swimmers getting out of the pool.
- Social Coordinator:
 - Divisionals pep rally
 - 30 January, 5-7 pm, Panzer Chapel
 - End of season banquet
 - 14 March, time TBD
 - Panzer Firehouse
 - Looking into catering options
- Stats
 - Number of swimmers attending meets:
 - 30-40 if the meet is within a 2 hour drive
 - 20+ if the meet is within 4 hours
 - 10-15 average travel to far away meets
 - 81% of swimmers at LD Champs dropped significant times
 - 31 swimmers qualified for Champs with 19 more close to qualifying
 - Huge amount of team will be pulled up
 - Eindhoven rooms are filling up. Book now if you are going or even think you are going

Meeting Adjourned: 7:00pm (**Next meeting January 23, 2020 at 5:00pm**)