***Border Meeting- October 10, 2018***

Attendees: Michele Key-RAST, Joseph Olson-BAT, Robert Sellers-BAT, Keith Anderson-RAST, Steve Wilson-SWAT, Adrian Slater-SWAT, Todd Roberts-EPAP, Edward Saint Lo-DSSC, Monica Benjamin-WETT, Cindy Crane-WETT, Ruben Pallares-DSSC, Gus Viveros-RAST, Manny Gardea- DSSC, Evelyn Ramirez-JCAT, Andrea Schiechl-City, Jim Holcomb

Regarding the possible dates for the Strategic Planning meeting by USA swimming - a vote via email will be sent by Steve Wilson for the April or May dates.

Cindy Crane will update the Border website with our new mission and vision statements

We are close to the USA swimming LEAP Level 2 status. If we can achieve this level Border will receive up to $1,000 from USA swimming.

 Manny Gardea proposed via email an "Education Financial Assistance" for coaches who want to attend conferences or continuing education on their own. A grant of $150 is available. See email. This was approved.

"Mighty 2500" dates are November 2-4. Coach Gus Viveros and Truman Word will be attending on behalf of Border.

USA swimming convention updates from Jim Holcomb:

-Border voted and approved a $1,000 donation to Saving Lives/Building Champions for USA Swimming Foundation.

-A determination for Transgender swimmers will be made at the National Level not the local LSC level. The swimmer can swim the meet with a protest later.

-September 2020 there will be a ban on technical suits for 12 & Unders (anything with a FINA mark). 8 LSC's already don't allow them. The only exception is for 12 & unders who qualify for Sectional and up swim meets can wear a technical suit at those meets.

-Teams must make sure that their swimmers are certified in racing starts and back ledge starts.

-15 meter mark for under waters must be marked by tape on deck, buoys will no longer be the official mark.

Cindy Crane gave information that Coaches who swim and coach will no longer need a USA swimming dual membership. Starting in 2019 they can have a single membership.

**Athlete Rep update: by the next Border meeting each team will submit their male and female athlete rep that is 13 years and older. Teams must provide their contact information. Bob Sellers will guide this newly formed group (Athlete Committee) to pick the 3 or more candidates (15 years and older) for Athlete Rep for Border. Steve Wilson will send a reminder email to everyone.**

SWAT came up with a team Safe Sport initiative! Steve Wilson will email it to everyone for their possible team use as well.

Andrea updated everyone that the bulkhead at the West Side pool is not operating properly. Until it is fixed in November it will not be moved. Teams that are being charged for LC lanes will be credited to SC lane pricing.

The EPAP meet has been moved 1 week later to December 14-16.

The WETT Del Norte #2 is still November 3rd but in the AM not PM.

The next city lane allocation meeting will be November 8th. A pre-meeting will be held at the SWAT meet on Sunday for the teams to prepare for the November 8th meeting. This meeting will include holiday planning for team practices. Also City Aquatic meetings will be held every other month now instead of every month.

Update: Teams are allowed to sell concessions at the new pool. They must be set up outside with a tent in the parking spaces designated for food vendors. A food handlers license is required if you are selling anything other than prepackaged food. Cost is $65/day.

Teams are required to relinquish lanes in the future that they are not using or they will be charged. 2 weeks notice to the city must be given.

Ruben Pallares is now reviewing meet invites prior to Pete sanctioning them.

Future Border meetings will be held at Pat O'Rourke pool.

Todd Roberts is looking into details to provide a bid for a sound system at the West Side pool that Border will be paying for.

John Bernhard will be giving a UIL officials training on Thursday, October 11.

SWAT will be sending their meet invite information out by Friday, October 12.

More Border ribbons/medals need to be ordered.