**Wahoo Parent Advisory Committee**

**Meeting Minutes**

**February 8th, 2017**

**\*\*\*PENDING APPROVAL AT THE NEXT WPAC MEETING\*\*\***

**WPAC Attending:** Randy Erlenbach, Amy Nonnenmacher, Bernadette Hess, Jeff Kahn, Tammy Winslow, Kara Babashak, Kristy Snyder, Sharon Dill, Margaret Daniel, Liz Pennino

**Absent**: N/A

**Approval of Minutes:** January 4th, 2017 Minutes were approved

**Director of Competitive Aquatics Report Randy Erlenbach**

* Swamp Romp - the Swamp Romp is an icy plunge into the Wilton Y pond to help raise money for the Wilton YMCA's Youth Programming and for the Y's Camp Gordyland. $300 worth of donations can send one local youth to Camp Gordyland for a week free of charge.
* Spring Practice scheduled has been place on the website
* National Bridgers will be practicing with the national squad 4/wk.

**Co-President’s Report Amy Nonnenmacher & Bernadette Hess**

* Swamp romp
  + Bob M. wants the Wahoos to be involved with the process.
  + WPAC agrees to have each squad participate to see who can raise the most. Wining squad will have an ice cream social. Squad VP’s and or Squad coach will assist in collecting the money
  + Our goal is to raise enough money to support at least 3 campers this summer. for each camper that gets to attend, we'll add another coach to the romp!
  + **$300- Coach Dave takes the plunge!**
  + **$600- Coach Alex takes a bath!**
  + **$900- Coach Matt dives in!**
  + **$1200- Coach Todd breaks the ice!**
  + **$1500- Coach Randy joins in and it's the whole Wahoo Coaching Staff into the pond!**
* Teresa McLaughlin wants to start a Wahoo gear swap. Trade any gear that is in good condition. I.E. – Fins, goggles, clothing, suits, etc.
* Public relations – Currently only Wilton resident swimmer info is sent to Local papers.
  + Vote to continue – Approved
  + How to include all swimmers? Have two articles. One for the team website for all swimmers that made finals and another article for Wilton resident only swimmers to the local paper.

**Secretary Jeff Kahn**

* **Work policy**
  + A need to modify the policy again as there is ongoing issue with acquiring the number of volunteers needed to run a meet successfully. Too often, the meet managers are running through the lobby, begging people to work.
  + With the number of families on the Wahoos, we should be able to fill all positions without asking for additional volunteers from other teams and without having to threaten that the meet will not start due to a lack of workers.
  + SC meets require 50-90+ workers to operate a meet per session
  + LC meets require 54+ workers to operate a meet per session
  + Started ground work with new suggestions and ideas to address the issue. Possible option for large meets only. Any day you have a swimmer in the water, you are expected to work. Benefit is that we may be able to split shift positions like timers to half day.

**COMMITTEE BUSINESS**

**Fundraising Sharon Dill, Kristy Snyder**

* Fundraising process is still confusing. To be discussed at the next WPAC meeting

**Meet Work Coordinator Margaret Daniel**

* No Meet Report

**Meet Coordinator Kara Babashak and Liz Pennino**

* No Meet Report

**Squad VP Coordinator Tammy Winslow**

**Squad Report**

* Super Bronze –Super Bowl themed hot cocoa and dessert party on 1/6
* Super Squad - Donuts and Juice Gathering on 1/18
* Maroon: Donuts and hot chocolate party
* Gold: Pizza party on 1/16
* Juniors: Super Bowl Themed Party
* Varsity: No report
* Seniors: No report
* National:  No report
* Wilton Theater:  Interested in holding an event for age groupers.  Non-Profits can bring their own movie for just $75.  Folks can purchase concessions if they wish.

Additional items:

* Discussion on the NASA Florida meet compared to Eastern Zones.
  + Parents had expressed concern over the cost of this meet and some may not go.
  + Senior Coaching staff decided that the NASA meet provided increased competition level over Zones meet.
  + Possibility for next SC season if we go to NASA again, it can be a team travel meet.
  + WPAC suggested that the meet may be more beneficial to older swimmers then younger swimmers.
* Metro Swim Shop
  + New contract is being discussed. Possibility to towels, Drawstring bags, shorts, bundles (team & practice suit), caps (squads)
  + Metro is over stocked with team suits and wants to sell them. Gear should be sold at the home meets and need to be brought by the supplier.
  + Acquire the daycare room for Metro Swim Shop

Meeting adjourned at 8:05 pm

Next meeting – March 8th, @ 6:30PM

Respectfully Submitted,

Jeff Kahn