

BWAQ Meeting Minutes- February 4, 2017

Meeting called to order: By *President* Steve Freeborn at 0848

Board Members in Attendance: *President* Steve Freeborn, *Vice President* Dan Haegele, *Secretary*, Kaycie Wood, *Treasurer*, Judy Williams, *Membership*, Nellis Kim, *Communications*, Angela Turley, *KCAC AM Rep*, Michelle Menkens, *KCAC Brunch Rep*, Patti Cunningham, *KCAC PM Rep*, Scott Matthews, *Evergreen Rep*, Kim Boggs, *Covington Rep*, Eric Durban.

Board Members Absent: none

Coaches & Team Members in attendance: *Head Coach:* Wendy Neely; *Newsletter:* Zena Courtney, *Club member:* Mike Murphy

Approval of Minutes from January 7, 2017 Meeting -

Discussion: Currently minutes are stored on *Secretary*, Kaycie Wood personal google drive. Concern not everyone is able to access google doc. Angela suggested the notes should be stored on the club's google drive. Kaycie would need access to the club's google account.

Motion: "Meeting minutes from January 7, 2017 be approved"

MSA (moved/Seconded/Approved): unanimously approved with no additions/changes

Mike Murphy - Last Gasp of Summer (LGOS)- (discussed first due to Mike's time limits)

Food/BBQ for event: Need Volunteers to take the lead on this portion of the LGOS event. Lynn Gross is considering helping but would need a partner, possibly Kim Boggs.

Food choices discussed, sandwiches vs BBQ. Sandwiches would be easier, BBQ would need more volunteers and be more work. BBQ was originally done as it mimicked of the summer Lake swims. Sponsors provided the food in the past.

Chris Souder suggested last week at breakfast Saturday morning he has a friend that does a samoan style BBQs; Chris offered to inquire with his friend the possibilities for him doing the food at LGOS.

Note PNA Champs Event will occur first and also need volunteers to get the hospitality sorted.

Action→ 1) Kim Boggs will meet with Lynn to discuss plan. Michelle Menkens offered to help. 2) Zena working on getting spread sheet from Julie's brother, & Zena will also look into getting oatmeal donated. 3) Kim Boggs is able to help with getting some drinks donated.

Noted→ "It takes 12 of us to pick of the Job Julie did"

LGOS is a National event this year. USMS (US Masters swimming) requested to add one more event this year allowing 'toys' to be used during a swim. Toys could be fins, paddles, pull buoys, snorkels, etc. Wendy stated snorkels would not be a good idea due to potential for injury if kicked in the face. Placement of the event was discussed related to speed and safety of swimming with and without 'toys' at same time. Events include Champ 1 & 2 Mile then add 1 mile with 'toys' either separate heat or separate wave. Timing of the events- Champs 1 mile will cleared the water before the next event starts which would be the 2 mile, then the 1 mile with 'toys' can make the last wave.

USA Swimming (USA) does a 500 yard swim for kids

Board agreed it would be Ok to add the event (this was not an official motion as it did not need to be)

This may be the last event hosted by a local club as USMS is considering changes that would include national meets & events being run by them.

Concern if USMS needs to approve all of our sponsors for LGOS as this is a national event and would need to ensure there are no conflicts with USMS' sponsors.

There is a sponsor deadline, Mike Murphy to get details.

In the past NW Tri and Bike, a local company has been a sponsor.

Blue Seventy may be able to provide bags

- Both will need approval by USMS

Alaska Air Lines may be donating airline tickets. Depending on donation will be an award (one for men and one for women if two given) or a prize in the drawing.

Draft for entry on medical plan and sanction Safety plan

\$200 registration fee has been paid for park/lake. If needed to access the park early it is possible but would have an added expense of \$30-50 to cover the cost of the staff needed to open the park.

Action→ 1) Porta Potties will be needed for this event. Zena will ask the Port of Seattle for donation of either the Porta Potties or money to cover the cost. & Zena will put a to do list of volunteers in the newsletter. 2) Angela will update the LGOS web site. 3)

Wendy is working on merchandise & will get everything priced out. 4)Mike to clarify sponsors rules r/t national event

At the event Wendy will lead the USA swim.

FINA regulations require wet suits to be worn based on water temperature. USA & USMS have different FINA regulation that they follow in regard to open water swimming.

Financial Report (Judy)

a) -\$100 repurpose for Julie memorial flowers

Judy report January has been a good month, there was significant donations.

KCAC bills are still pending, expected to be roughly \$10.5K

[2017 Budget and actuals](#)

[Feb. 4, 2017 Stats](#)

[Julie Montiel's Scholarship fund](#) has been set up.

-Request for Steve Freeborn to write a letter about this new fund.

-Tab on Website(link above) under donations

Swim Caps- Wendy to put an email out regarding caps

Postal swim- Club assistant now set up for the Postal swim

Membership fees to USMS for Coaches:

Currently the club pays for the regular coaches' USMS membership which is needed for insurance purposes. Fee is paid annually. Request for Substitute Coaches USMS fees to be paid if they are not already registered as swimmers. Substitute coaches prevent additional cancellations when regular coaches are not available due to vacations/holidays or illness. Request for up to three substitute coaches to be registered a year as needed.

Motion "Club to pay for USMS membership for up to three substitute coaches per year"

MSA: unanimously approved

Flowers were not purchased for Julie Montiel's services, family asked they not be as there would not be room for them. Suggested to give the \$100 to the Julie Montiel Scholarship fund to get this fund started.

Motion: "\$100 for Julie Montiel's memorial flowers that were not purchased to be moved to the Julie Montiel Scholarship Fund, as the flowers were not purchased."

MSA: unanimously approved.

PNA Magazine Ad - PNA placed an add in the swimmer magazine for LGOS event. PNA discussed at their board meeting to have BWAQ to pay half due to the BWAQ club name appearing on the event add.

Concerns about request for money occurred after the ad was placed rather than before. No official request has been made for payment.

The cost would financially impact our club more than it would PNA.

PNA will get money from the entry fees from swimmer at the event.

No action needed at this time.

Membership report

Some members have not renewed their USMS memberships. USMS memberships are mandatory due to insurance. List reviewed of who has not renewed and discussed who is currently swimming and how to remind swimmer to register. Plan to get list to coaches & coaches to speak to swimmers. Swimmers cannot participate in USMS events if not registered with USMS.

New members- 13 swimmers were listed. Zena list swimmers in the news letter.

There are a total of 134 swimmers currently in the club. This is a little up from last year.

Swim Lessons- these swimmers fluctuate

Scholarship

-> 2 Swimmers requesting scholarships

Discussion-

Motion: Approve scholarship for a three month period Swimmer #1

MSA→ approved unanimously

Motion: Approve scholarship for a three month period Swimmer #2

MSA→ approved unanimously

Currently 5 swimmers on scholarship

PNA has a fund for scholarships for help with USMS renewal

Champs/LGOS/Swim Defiance (events happening in next 1-2 month, I am not sure of the event schedule and appreciate feedback)

Champs already has 2 swimmers signed up.

Relays will be offered this year as a swimmers only event- they would just pay the entry fee.

Thunderbird swim meet has been sending out Text reminders to swimmers to register, question if this would be possible for Champs. Angela will look into the how to do this for Champs.

Swim Defiance Committee needed - Volunteers: Scott Matthews, Judy Williams, Kim Postcards to go out
Postcards were reviewed via email for \$250.

LGOS t-shirt - can they be purchased in swim outlet vs local to get the kick back. Participants would order with registered for event then club would order them from swim outlet

consider for CHAMPS too (t-shirt orders)

Schedule next meeting: Saturday, March 4, 2017 (First Saturday of month)

Meeting Adjourned at 1000

ACTION ITEMS:

Angela to share Access to club google account

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