

BWAQ Board meeting - Wednesday, May 31, 2017 (June Board Meeting)

BWAQ 'JUNE' Meeting Minutes- May 31, 2017

Meeting called to order: By *President* Steve Freeborn at 1917

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

Board Members Absent: *KCAC AM Rep*, Michelle Menkens, *KCAC PM Rep*, Scott Matthews,

Coaches & Team Members in attendance: *Newsletter:* Zena Courtney,
(order of agenda modified for timing purposes)

Scholarship - Swimmer #1 scholarship request

Motion: "Approve scholarship requested" MSA (moved/Seconded/Approved):
unanimously approved

Swim Defiance Zena-

Swim Defiance- Preparations going well, some details listed:

A bus was rented.

Mike Murphy wants to swim back- He will need to register for insurance fee can be waived.

Emergency equipment, staff and volunteers in order

AA Sports- Requesting information for swimmers to send out emails with results.

Concern expressed that swimmers may not want their information shared.

Plan: Angie will send results out instead of sharing swimmers information.

The Julie Montiel Friends and Family Fun Swim- will receive a chip for timing - have to have a chip to swim

Waves for 5K and 3K

1-49 5K 21 swimmers

51-100 3K 46 of swimmers

Julie Montiel Friends and Family Fun Swim 4 swimmers

71 swimmers total - most swimmers for this event

Swimmers can change from 5K to 3 K on the day of race but will need to make changes at registration including completing a form.

Timing- Zena to meet and get timing organized will clarify details.

Number to be written on Cap & hand, also shoulder (if you don't swim with wet suit)--

Volunteer to write number on the swimmers at registration-

Registration closes tomorrow at midnight.

11-12 kayak & 3-4 lifeguards

Details re: Balloon markers & the lead kayaker to be clarified

BWAQ has 2 swim safe buoys available for sale at the event.

Tent and heaters, Rachael Deaderick will bring tent & Steve Freeborn will bring heater

First aid kits, Zena will bring

Arrive at 0500

Volunteer will take pictures from shore and possibly a Go Pro on a kayaker

Everything ready with exception of permits which Zena is working on

Black Hills Tri

[Email communications regarding Black Hills Tri](#)

This event has reached it's max each year. Current organizers are wanting a swimming group to take over because believed swimming is most challenging part of the event to run. Should be a 'Walk in done deal' as they have a lot set up already and have volunteers. It is part of a triple set series of triathlons.

Maybe able to obtain a Lodging Grant~ \$4K that could go to BWAQ, Steve to look into

**May consider for looking into the lodging grant for LGOS- Usually need to ask 6-7 months ahead of time.

Plan would be to take over event for next year. If we did take it over may need to move Swim Defiance event

Question: Why do they want us to take it over? Current people organizers it are too busy to continue running this event.

Question: Do they want us to buy into this? Yes, 2-3x's the profit is the usual cost however they want to give it to someone who will keep it going and 'care' about the even. They think a non-profit organization would be a better option for taking over the race.

Question: How do we do the bike/running portion- do we need team status with other groups for insurance? You can sign any team up with a USA-T certified race director and they will insure our race. No per swimmer insurance cost. Athletes need to sign up with USA-T

Need to look at estimated expenses.

Question: Would be just a USA-T event? Yes, due to insurances considerations, events can only be associate with one organization.

Concern: This is not in our mission which is swimming, and we are already very busy with other summer events. Mission and purpose on web page

Concern: Events can take up a lot of time and usually it's the same volunteers helping. If it were the swimmers/members asking for this would be worth considering.

Consideration: -Could be a way to get Lacy in a swim series similar to 'Raise the Bar-Friday night swims'

-To expand our membership and territory

Concern: If we took over the tri then would we have both the swim series and the Triathlon, which could be labor intensive.

Consideration: Volunteers for the next years have already been arranged and would stay on and help

Question: How much money is made off the race, specifically how much would we expect to raise? Approximately \$4500

Question: Could help increase our membership-

Best way for Blue Wave Aquatic Club to stay healthy and going is to increase our membership

We are stable and bank account looks good.

Stable and growing are different goals - What is the projection.

Concern: If there is no pool to swim at in Lacy, it would be hard to grow our membership. The distance would be a challenge.

Concern: LGOS is a big event and needs our time and energy, Adding this new event maybe too much.

Concern: Could be a financial risk- need to reviewing the numbers, may not be a good investment

Question: Could this be done by a person rather than the team, Person makes a company and does it personally rather than the team

**** Review next month with more information

Question: Is someone going to watch the event this year?- Zena will go

Financial Report (Judy)

Finances are OK, [see reports](#)

Global Swim Series. (Zena) -- [See Emails](#)

Global Swim Series is a race two guys created. It is a global swim series competition based on points earned from swimming at events all over the world that are approved for this series. The cost to have a race added is \$99/race.

Signing up our race will provide international marketing for one race at \$99. Zena expressed this would be a great way to grow Swim Defiance.

Swims included are cold or open water swim.

Question: What kind of marketing do they provide- see email

Social media they tell members about new swims and include it in the competition for it's members.

Currently there are not many swims in the US.

Budget for Marketing is about \$100,

If we got one entry it would pay for it

Need to do it a year ahead so would need to do it now.

ACTION: Application needs to be signed by Steve Freeborn

Global Swim Series' cost will be covered under the budget no need to vote

Newsletter

No newsletter this month (May).

Next meeting July 8 after practice. At steve's office. At 0900

Nellis first on agenda.

Minutes. Updated and sent out

Motion: Approve [May's meeting minutes](#)

MSA -- unanimous approved.

Fat salmon is July 15

Meeting Adjourned 5/31/2017 at 2005