

**EVERGREEN HURRICANES SWIM TEAM
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES
25 AUGUST 2008**

1. Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order at 5:38pm by Freda Malazdrewicz. In attendance were: Susan Kramer; Susan McDonald; Caryn Pearson; Coach Jeff Armstrong; Freda Malazdrewicz; Tobia Zehnder; Kathy Lahr; Jacqueline Holland; and Michael Honnick. Guests: Lisa Morrow

2. Approval of July Minutes:

Caryn Pearson motioned to approve these minutes. Susan McDonald seconded the motion. The vote passed unanimously.

3. Financial Report:

Caryn Pearson gave an update on our finances up through the month of August. (See the secretary's binder for a copy of the report) At this time we are projecting approximately \$9,500.00 carryover.(\$1,000 deduction for coach Jeff Armstrong second ½ of his moving costs per his contract and \$1,500 for the IRS) Following these two additional deductions it leaves the team with approximately \$7,000.00.

First Bank: Susan McDonald and Kathy Lahr have agreed to go to First Bank and sort out the swim team credit card and update names and limits. The Board of Directors discussed at this time whether to place some of the team money into a CD/money market account.

Jill Roberts account: Susan McDonald and Kathy Lahr are to meet up with Susan Kramer at Mutual Omaha Bank to update the signature card for this account.

Lifeguard Store: The team currently has \$195.00 in credit from the Lifeguard store. Coach Jeff will look into purchasing items for the team to use in practice.

4. Coach's Report:

A. Coach Jeff presented the board with his written report. (see secretary's binder for copy) He also passed around a sample "swimmers binder" that all kids in group 2 and 3 will be receiving. It holds all of their personal information regarding swim meets, times and split times. It will be up to the child to keep it up to date with the material they find in their folder each week. Coach Jeff also will encourage each swimmer to decorate their own binder!

B. Short Course Schedule

There are two changes to the short course schedule as far as group 2 start times. On Monday Category 2 will swim at 4:00-5:30 (instead of the 4:30 time) and on Friday Category 2 will swim 4:00-5:30 (instead of the 6:00-7:30 time). These time changes are due to better use of the available lanes for the team. It was also brought up that Susan McDonald and/or Kathy Lahr needs to discuss the renewal of the pool fee's contract for the 2008-2009 season with the recreation centre.

C. Coaching

Lisa Morrow will be coaching category 1 on Monday's from 4:00-4:45 through September. This may continue a bit longer once the team/group size is evaluated.

D. Evergreen Meet: 28 September 2008

The first Evergreen home meet will be on the 28 of September and coach Jeff reported that 4-5 teams have responded with approximately 150-200 swimmers. The meet is currently scheduled for 1 session and we will be running all 6 lanes. The under 12's will be racing mostly 50's while the 12+ group will race 100's. Deb Gomez and Molly have been notified of the meet. Set up for the meet will be at 5:15 p.m. on Saturday.

E. Tropical Storms

Coach Jeff reported having 5 calls in August with about 7 kids interested in swimming. Susan Kramer gave a summary of interested families to Susan McDonald regarding all calls that she has received. Continued discussion about Tropical Storms will be tabled until the next board meeting (once we know where our numbers stand as far as the Hurricanes)

F. Travel Meet

Coach Jeff continues to look at the options available for a team travel meet in January over the Martin Luther King holiday. He will need a volunteer to look into flight options and cost. The Board also discussed possibilities of Individual families doing some type of fundraising to help with the cost of a travel meet.

5. Plans for September:

A. Registration (Sept. 8-12) Team Registration will be at the poolside from 4:30-6p.m. 2 Board members will be present each day to answer any questions and assist with paperwork and calculating fees for each swimmer. Susan Kramer reminded the board that the registration forms are on line and can be downloaded from our new team website. Caryn Pearson plans to bring and distribute any extra team tee-shirt to the new swimmers that join the team (free of charge)

B. Parent Meeting: The Parent Meeting will be on 18 September from 6-7p.m. at the Church of the Hills in Evergreen. The meeting will be held in the fellowship Hall. Coach Jeff will discuss his plans for the team, the team financials will be discussed and there will be tables set up for parents to sign up to volunteer for job assignments for the upcoming swim meet.

C. 28 September Meet. Discussed earlier in Coach's report.

6. New Team Website: Thank you very much to Susan Kramer and Glenn Mayer for working so hard to get the new team website up and running. Susan plans to continue to upgrade and monitor the website. There has been a lot of positive feedback regarding the new site.

7. Financial Aid Program: Freda has given Susan McDonald a summary of the Financial Aid Proposal that she has been working on. It was discussed to have a separate committee to review potential candidates for financial assistance. It was also discussed that this needs to be on a first come basis with priority given to swimmers who have been on the team for more than 1 year. It is possible that some funds from the Jill Roberts account could initially be used to get the financial aid program underway. Susan McDonald plans

to meet with Freda and will read over the proposed application and make any necessary changes. This will be tabled until the next board meeting.

8. Tropical Storms: See coach's report
9. Installation of the 2008-2009 Board of Directors
10. Ongoing Business:

A. Jacqueline Holland discussed going to local businesses to get sponsorships/donation and incorporating this into the heat sheets for home meets. Also allowing parents to purchase for a small fee "well wishes" on the heat sheet. Jacqueline also brought up the idea of "adopt a roadway" Having the Hurricanes be responsible for road clean up 2 times a year from the pool up to Three Sisters Park. She plans to look into this and get back to the board.

B. Michael Honnick discussed the need to have consistent times and dates for the whole year of all Board of Directors Meetings. This would allow all parents to know in advance when meetings are held. Coach Jeff already puts each meeting on the team schedule and will also include it in his blog on the website. Coach Jeff feels it is important at this time that the time of the meeting remain somewhat flexible. Coach Jeff plans to talk to the Evergreen Recreation Center regarding getting a conference room available more consistently and not being bumped off the schedule. Susan Kramer brought up an idea to give a donation to the Church of the Hills for their kindness in allowing us to use their church for team meetings free of charge. This was tabled for the next board meeting.

C. Medical Issues: Coach Jeff plans to remind parents at the Parent meeting to discuss any medical issues with him directly and to be sure it is included in the swimmers registration packet

11. Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 7:30p.m.