Pacific Waves Synchronized Swimming

Board Meeting Minutes

Virtual via Zoom

Emergency board meeting called for 3:45 on November 20, 2020 by President Amy Bonte.

Board members: Amy Bonte (President), Catrine Kizis (Vice President), Shelly Robinson (Treasurer), Leslie Sims (Secretary), Natalie Montgomery (Member at-Large), Julie Sawyer (Member at-Large), Lisa Jump (Member at-Large)

Call to order: 3:45pm

Roll call: Amy Bonte, Catrine Kizis, Shelly Robinson, Leslie Sims, Natalie Montgomery, Julie Sawyer, Lisa Jump

Approval of prior meeting minutes:   N/A

Coaches Report:

1. **Discussion of two requests by families regarding financial and team commitments**

* **Family 1** - The 7th grade swimmer from AG 13-15 team does not want to continue. Reasons cited by the parent via an email were *“uncertainty of what’s to come is the greatest reason.  Her answer to me was that she just wanted to be home.  She wanted less stress.  Her comment to me was “to what end mom”?  Meaning there is nothing in the future planned because everything has been canceled.  She is wired for goals and needs to feel that tangibly.*”

**Result:** The board has decided to hold them to the financial commitment as stated in the PWSS Handbook. The financial commitment section of the handbook is read at every annual meeting and the importance of this commitment is emphasized.  Amy will notify them of the decision. She will share the draft with the board for feedback first. Vote is not needed since it clearly states

* **Family 2** - The swimmer does not want to attend workouts via Zoom or outdoor workouts due to being on screen for most of the day because of remote learning and inconsistent home internet service. The parent is citing concerns about the swimmer contracting illness from being in a colder environment from the outdoor pool. This swimmer also has a medical condition, scoliosis, which makes it difficult to do land workouts outside. The swimmer is requesting to take a break and would like to resume practices once they are back to swimming indoors.

**Result:** Coach can allow the swimmer to drop down from 3 times per week to 2 times per week. Natalie will send a written notification.  They will be billed for 2 times per week beginning in December until practices resume indoors.

1. **Covid related practice issues/considerations**

* We anticipate Marine Hills will stay open as long as needed. The cost to rent Marine Hills Pool is higher than FWCC. Shelly will do a cost analysis and how it would impact our club finances.

* Starting in January, if we are still in a reduced practice schedule, we will consider pro-rating payments.

Next Board Meeting:  Date change: December board meeting will move from 12/5 to Wednesday 12/16 at 4:30pm.

Meeting Adjourned:  4:40pm