Pacific Waves Synchronized Swimming

Board Meeting Minutes

November 4, 2023

FWCC

Meeting called by Amy Bonte

Board members: Amy Bonte (President), Laura Hopkins (Vice President), Shelly Robinson (Treasurer), Leslie Sims (Secretary), Natalie Montgomery (Member at-Large), Michelle Spencer (Member at-Large), Candice Morrow (Member at-Large)

Call to order:  7:05 PM

Roll call:  Amy Bonte, Laura Hopkins, Shelly Robinson, Leslie Sims, Natalie Montgomery, Michelle Spencer, Candice Morrow

Approval of prior meeting minutes:  Laura motions to approve, Natalie seconds, 5 in favor, 0 opposed

Chairman Report (Amy)

Coaches Report: (Natalie)

* Levels Testing Results – Levels testing was a success. All swimmers that participated passed on to their next level with the exception of 2 swimmers. Coach Natalie will submit an appeal to have their videos reviewed. One organizational improvement would be to have clearer training for the volunteer videographers.
* Synchro-thon/Halloween Practice Outcome – Joining these 2 events was fun with decorations and lots of creativity. An added benefit was not losing 2 practices as in years past. Fundraising team will review prize offerings for next season as it did not incentivize greater income beyond family donations combined with matching funds.
* Club Gear-Gear Swap Outcome – $80 of items were sold. Host another gear swap in January at the Knoxing-Parent Meeting in January.
* New swimmers/lessons -Currently there are 2 swimmers enrolled in beginner lessons. FWCC is willing to hand out info cards to their swimmers who pass level 4 swimmer lessons to encourage more enrollment in lessons.
* Acro Clinic for Coaches: Natalie Montgomery motions to send Coach Lindsey Keen to the Walnut Creek Acro-Lift Coding Clinic for coaches on Nov. 18-19, 2023.  Coach Lindsey had already purchased a flight to that area as she will be visiting family.  Coach Natalie is requesting for PWSS to cover the cost of changing her outbound flight (so she can leave earlier to attend the clinic) along with clinic registration fee and meals. Hotel and rental car will not be needed as she will be staying with family.

**TOTAL REQUEST: $500**

* *Clinic registration fee: $200*
* *Flight: $200 (flight change fees)*
* *Food: $100 (2 days)*
* *Hotel & rental car: $0*

VOTE VIA EMAIL: 6 in favor. 0 opposed. Motion passed.

* Holiday Party-December 16, 8am=11am. 1.5 practce. Remaining time holiday pool movie party. Michelle will provide Christmas floaties. Ty will bring big screen and show the movie “Elf”. Pacific Pals will exchange gifts ($10).
* Knoxing/Parent Meeting-Sat. January 27th. Use FWCC party room. Prep parents/guardians for what to expect in the upcoming meet season. Learn how to knox swimmer’s hair. Gear Swap #2.
* USAAS Club Excellence Program – Application opens in January and Coach Natalie will prepare and submit the application.
* Purchase Novice Suits-Natalie motions we approve $800 before tax and shipping to purchase 8 new novice suits.

VOTE: Natalie motions. Michelle seconds the motion. 6 in favor, 0 opposed. Motion passed.

PNA Rep Report: (Natalie)

* Panera Bread fundraiser will be December 4th at the Landing in Renton, WA, Amy will make a flyer to send out to club members. Michelle will prepare a Pacific Pal activity.

Committee/Representative reports:

Treasurer’s report: (Shelly)

Account balances as of 11/12/23:

* Coach Checking:  $204.81
* Checking:  $11,038.70
* Savings:  $22,027.82
* YTD Income:  $23,528.20
* YTD Expenses:  $13,715.50
* Budgeted Total Expenses: $76,212.50

Fundraising Report: (Shelly/Lora)

* Synchro-thon Results- $7,743.00 this year compared to $6,794.00 due primarily to having more swimmers this season.
* Wreath Sales Results – 4 or 5 families participated. Still a good option because the funds go straight to the swimmer’s account.
* Walmart Spark Good Results – Approximately $140 was donated for volunteer hours turned in to “Spark for Good” program.
* Matching Grants-Volunteer Hours – We will continue to encourage families to look into this as an offering from their companies.
* Found Donation from Water Show 2023 - $500.00 from the PayPal donation button (Lucy Hood).
* Next: Movie Night November 27th– Jason and Lora Parks are organizing this event. Ticket sales are going well and we have covered our expenses.
* Classic Invitational – Natalie has lined up a food truck and a coffee truck for Saturday. If the food truck meets their minimum, they will share some funds with us. The club will also offer easy snacks to sell. We will need to work out whether this will fund PWSS or PNA.

Recruitment Committee Report: (Amy)

* Novice team-Word of mouth
* PeachJar – Revisit in April/May

Social media/Marketing report:

* Logo Refresh (Natalie) – Consider inviting our swimmers to create some designs. Leslie will ask her brother-in-law if he would consider creating a photo ready version.
* Member Spotlight Promo Video (Amy) – Wed will ask Quoc if he can do a few of these beginning in January. Post to our website and socials.

Merchandise committee report:

* Team gear options beyond Swim Outlet for more reasonable prices from a local shop in Hilltop, Tacoma. Candice will research options.

New Business:

* Clarification - Masters off season payment is now based on a $20 drop-in fee, monthly dues will not be an option during the months of November through January.

Announcements:  N/A

Next Meetings: December 9th @ 11:05 at FWCC pool; January 6th @ j11:05am at FWCC pool.

Adjournment:  8:18 PM