

**Aspen Speedos.
Board Meeting
10/9/03**

Attending:

Greg K., Archie M., Steve B., Candace C., Laura K., Elaine G., Mary H., Nona F.

1. Swim Meets- 2004 Tentative Schedule

The Western Slope tentative schedule is now posted on the web site. Aspen is currently scheduled to host a meet July 9-11th. We are also an alternate location for the WSC if Durango doesn't hold it the weekend of July 23-25th.

2. CSI / Zone 4 Meetings

Pool Depth: Pools less than 4' depth must start swimmers in the water. There are several pools which do not meet the requirement. Grand Junction will likely raise their pool deck to meet the minimum 4'. Unsure what other pools will do. The pool depth problem may be one of the reasons that Steamboat is not hosting a meet. We know that Sopris and Rangely also have this problem but only affects 4x25 relays.

Swimmer Surcharges: These charges are intended to cover the cost of the facility.

Meet Results: it is the responsibility of the teams that holds the meet to send the results to CSI immediately so that results can be entered into the database. State meets will no longer accept printouts as proof of time. The info must be in the data base.

Entry Procedures for championship meets: Additional entries and changes can be made up to 48 hours after the official deadline of a meet. There will be additional costs for these.

WSC Qual Times: Qualifying times will remain the same as they were in 2003.

3. Team Budget 2004

Greg has come up with a budget based on 50 swimmers. We discussed the number of swimmers we thought we would see next season, the number of coaches we would like to have and different factors that will affect our budget. We don't know as yet what the pool will cost us next season. It was decided that we should come up with a tentative budget based on 60 swimmers. Most people would like to see a minimum of 3 coaches- and possibly 4. It was decided that a Swimathon would be something we can look at later if we need to raise more money.

4. Swim Meet 2004 Budget

Greg has come up with two budgets based on 300 and 500 attending swimmers. The bottom line is that our revenue will not come from the meet itself, but instead from sponsors, sale items. T-shirts, gift baskets, raffles, etc.

5. ARC Committee

The main issue for the pool that was discussed is again the acoustics of the building. They are estimating the cost to fix this between \$50,000 and \$150,000. Again, it was emphasized that this must be finished by April.

6. Coaching – Fall/Winter practices & costs

We currently have 3 assistant coaches who are working with the kids during fall/winter practices - Nick, Katy and Grant. Their salary is paid by the team and is costing between \$500 and \$600 per 6 week session. We discussed how do we want these practices to be handled- is it mostly to improve technique? We want to get some feed back from kids and parents as well. Greg will send a survey with some questions which will help us decide how the next sessions should be run. We will also talk to the city and see if we can re-negotiate the fees.

7. Swim Camp

John Matos , the head coach of the CSU swim team, has offered to do a swim camp November 15 and 16th. It would cost about \$75.00 per child based on 20 swimmers. It would be a 1 ½ day camp. We decided that we should wait and try and do it in the spring if possible.

8. Grants/Fundraisers

Greg and Elaine made a presentation to the city requesting a grant of up to \$5,000. We are still waiting as well to hear from the Elks and the Thrift Shop.

9. Ducky Derby

We netted approximately \$4,000 from this event. Some people turned their ducks in to the booth at the derby itself rather than to Anne Maclean- that money will not be credited to the team. For next year, ducks need to be turned in by the deadline to the swim team person who is handling that event. Joel Parada was one of the individuals who did not turn his ducks in to Anne. Catalina was able to say that he had sold 25 ducks. The team did not get any credit for these, but it was decided to allow him a credit to apply to next year's fees. The credit amount is \$12.50.

10. AYC Presentation

The swim team donated \$200 to this event being held next week. October 14th is the coach's clinic and the 15th is open to the public. AYC gave us 2 free tickets for the donation.

11. Team Suits

We will have the same suits in 2004 as we did this year. Nona will take care of ordering them.

12. Next Meeting

No specific date, but will be in early January.