

In attendance:

Archie

Elaine

Ruth

Jon

Kelly

Gordon

Jenny

Marc

Appearance by Gint Baukus who was approved as new board member.

Financial report:

The financial report was presented by Ruth and accepted by the board.

There were no outstanding issues.

Web Page Update:

Archie has been on top of all web page changes. We will renew our domain name for 3 years at the cost of \$99. Gordon will also look into obtaining the name aspenswimclub.org.

Fundraising:

We lost our city grant (\$4999) briefly as we were unaware of the time constraints for grant submission. Gordon discussed the matter with city council member Steve Skadron who interceded on behalf of the club and had this year's grant reinstated.

Cirque d'aspen concessions on December 28 are the responsibility of the swim club. Jenny will be stepping in to coordinate personnel for the event.

Swimmer Fees:

A new fee structure was proposed by Ruth and Mary. The proposed structure was accepted by the board. Ruth will tweak the fees to coincide with our four swimmer categories and it will be utilized for the upcoming swim season. The new structure needs to be presented on r website as soon as possible.

Fall Discussion Topics:

Meet wrap-up / overview.

Winter Break- no definitive schedule or event announced.

Travel Meet-

- Gordon proposed an out-of-state travel meet for those swimmers who are interested and would qualify (times) for such an event. No meet was definitively decided upon. It was underscored that meet participants were responsible for costs associated with such an out-of-state meet.

- The group discussed attempting to get more of our younger swimmers to go to a large Denver / Front Range meet. Such exposure might encourage them to pursue more meets and set higher swim goals.

Mentors for new swim parents- could new parents and the club as a whole benefit from having assigned experienced swim parents or board members as mentors? The idea was discussed, but not voted upon. Carry this over to the next meeting?

Coaches Update:

- Jenny is pleased with the Sopris meet sign-ups from her swimmers. There are more swimmers from her group registered for the upcoming Sopris meet than there were for our previous Aspen meet.
- Marc discussed his experimentation with swimmer motivation.
- Gordon broached the subject of a 3-year ASCA Training Fee of \$1500 for each coach. The board was receptive. Jenny has an interest, Marc is reticent to commit to a 3 year package.

Next Meeting Topics:

- Each Board Member should bring a new educational topic to present at the next board meeting.
- Modifying our Mission Statement? Prepare to discuss.
- The University of Texas Swim Camp is June 8 - 13. We have some interested swimmers, but would like any / all available swimmers to attend.