

McHenry Marlin Minutes

12/9/09

McHenry West Campus Cafeteria

6:02 PM

In attendance: Trish Vollkommer, BJ Armstrong, Kathy Lingle, Randy McCafferty, Meg Redshaw, Dave DeMarais.

- I. Randy asked BJ and Dave if they had written a proposal regarding ISI participation. BJ gave each board member present a letter which Meg will put into a word document to be sent out by Kathy Quick at the Parks and Rec Dept.
 - a. BJ and Dave both stated that participation in ISI would be in addition to regular Marlin participation. A family would have the option of participating or not.
 - i. Cost would be \$60 per swimmer. In addition, swimmers would pay an additional fee of \$5 or less for each event swimming. There would be no transportation to meet provided.
 - ii. These meets would be outside of the regular Marlin schedule
 - b. Dave gave comparable costs for other organizations. For example: the YMCA program costs \$250 for membership to the Y, plus \$40 per month, plus the \$60 ISI fee and costs for events.
- II. Team pictures
 - a. There will be no further discussion for winter team photos
- III. Equipment
 - a. BJ presented information for the hand paddles discussed at the 12/9 meeting.
 - i. Through Kiefer the cost is \$12 per pair
 1. BJ felt that 60 pairs were needed to effectively use them during practice.
 2. Cost would be \$720 plus shipping.
 - b. Laptops: information was given for requirements
 - i. Our current computers cannot handle higher tech
 1. Most teams are still using 2.0 versions of both meet manager and team manager.
 - a. Cost to upgrade would be \$229; coaches not recommending at this time.
 2. Dave cleaned and repaired current laptops and felt at this time they are working fine. More of a long term goal
 - ii. Specifications were given when the time comes to purchase.
 1. Panasonic Tough Book would be choice as it can handle the humidity.
 - a. Randy asked Dave to see if possible to get a vendor price on Tough Book.

IV. Fundraising

- a. Shelly reported to Rand that fewer than half of the families participated in the wreath fundraiser.
 - b. Goal had been \$1000, current profit is approximately \$800
 - c. Discussion was held regarding how to get more families to participate
 - i. Dave reported how other teams deal with fundraising
 - ii. Buyout of fundraisers was discussed.
- V. It was requested that Randy's email address through the website and the Parks and Rec Dept from his wife's to his.
- a. Meg will take care of this and also change Bob's to his email address.
- VI. Board transitions were discussed. By laws would need to be changed during parent meeting.
- VII. Motivation committee
- a. Trish reported that fewer than half of families again participated.
- VIII. Treasurer Report
- a. Bob was not in attendance and will be sending off a report to the board soon.
 - b. As we did not have a current balance, decisions regarding equipment purchase was tabled.
- IX. New business
- a. Website cost is \$95 for the next five years
Kathy motioned to pay the five years, Meg seconded.
 - i. Bills for website will now be mailed to Parks & Rec Dept where a box will be held for us.
 - b. Party for John Sherman
 - i. John Sherman, coach, is leaving for the Marines. A party will be held honoring him on Saturday December 19th after practice.
 - 1. Carol will provide cake.
 - 2. Kathy Quick email parents
 - 3. Board approved up to \$50 to pay for incidentals.
 - a. Meg motioned, Kathy seconded.
 - c. Underwater video and camera request.
 - i. Dave requested purchase of an underwater video camera as well as a still camera. Approximate costs are \$199 for still and \$249 for video
 - 1. Felt coaches would be better able to show swimmers proper technique as well as film swimmers to review improvement.
 - 2. Tabled until next meeting.
 - d. Splash Party
 - i. Currently looking at dates in March prior to Spring Break.
 - ii. No chair currently in place.

Meeting adjourned at 6:55 PM; Motion by Meg, second by Kathy

Respectfully submitted

Meg Redshaw

Next Meeting TBA – mid January to discuss Splash Party

