

Seymour Community Swim Club  
Minutes from January 12, 2009

The meeting was called to order at 5:37PM by Kent Abel. The minutes were read and approved. (Brenda De Groot/ Cheri Milheiser) The Treasurer's Report was read and approved. (Val Abel/Bobbie Buchholtz) A December balance of \$ 2744.42 was on hand. January's balance is \$ 2993.69.

OLD BUSINESS

The candy bar sales will be finishing soon. A total of 40 cases were sold showing a profit of \$ 800.00. Monies need to be turned in to Sheri Steffes or Brenda DeGroot as soon as possible.

New caps have finally arrived. They are issued as needed to the swimmers. Please save these for the meets. Several caps have been found at the pool and after meets. Please check your things before leaving the area each time.

The new suits do not have the Wilma design on them as it would take 2 weeks to have them printed. Please direct your questions to Sheri Steffes so that the logo can be done at the end of the season.

Those beautiful T-shirts and sweatshirts are here and looking for a home—yours! The items will not be hauled to each swim practice, but are available if you let Doreen Janssen know you would like items. They will also be available at the meets, Marathon Swim and Pentathlon.

NEW BUSINESS

The Scoreboard System of our choice is presently in operation at the Sturgeon Bay YMCA. It tracks eight lanes, split times, and event times. The basic cost is over \$ 20,000. Some additional costs are for wiring. Mark Zahn may go half with the club. That isn't in writing, so we are still negotiating with him. He will talk to us again when we have half the amount saved. The pool will be repaired in April. However, there are no funds left in the school budget for those repairs. We are reminded that some clubs pay user fees to the pool to cover life guards and electricity. We do not.

A motion was made and seconded to leave our funds in a non-interest bearing account. (Bobbie Buchholtz/Cheri Milheiser) Motion passed. This will alleviate taxes should we go over the \$ 5000 limit for our organization. This also accommodates serious fund raising for our organization.

A serious effort is being made to help all members know what is going on and to have a say in the club's functions. In order to do this, Trustees are being added, information is being placed on the bleachers before practices, and the Board of Director's are starting to have regular meetings to help keep the monthly meetings to one hour. We still need everyone to attend the meetings! Please

make an effort to attend all meetings. This will also help us know who is swimming at a meet and who is helping from that family at the meets. A motion was made and seconded to create and define guidelines of the roles of the Board, members and the officers. Motion passed. (Sarah Tracy/Brenda DeGroot)

The year end Banquet is scheduled for Friday, March 13<sup>th</sup> in the Commons. There will be "activities" in the pool from 3:15 to 5:00pm. This is a potluck for all swimmers and their families. A main dish and a dessert are recommended. The plates, napkins, silverware and beverages are provided by the club.

During the meeting, concerns were voiced about the by-laws, communication, responsibilities, involvement and news to the community. Bob Belter enumerated on these issues and gave examples. According to Bob, these issues are easy to avoid. Bob will join Kent Abel and Bobbie Buchholtz in reviewing the by-laws. Appropriate information will be given at the next meeting.

The next meeting will be February 9, 2009 at 5:30PM in the Aquatic Classroom. Agenda requests should be directed to Dan or Sheri Steffes a week before the next meeting. The following paragraphs deal with items of the agenda to be continued at the next meeting.

USA Swimming Club Seminar is to be presented at Clintonville on March 10<sup>th</sup>. Anyone interested and needing details should come to the meeting to learn more.

Our first Marathon Fundraiser will be held on February 26<sup>th</sup> from 3:15 to 5:00PM. Swimmers are asked to take pledges for this event. Questions can be directed to any of the officers or Sarah. Forms are available in the box outside the Aquatic's window. Each swimmer needs their form completed at the beginning of practice that day. Each swimmer needs a counter.

The exciting Pentathlon Meet will be held on Saturday, February 28<sup>th</sup>. Each of our Club swimmers will be swimming each of the four strokes and a medley in age heats. This is a great opportunity to see what new strokes we have developed, how much we have improved over the season and start a new personal best record. Parents will run the meet.

A motion was made and seconded to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed. (Val Abel/Brenda DeGroot) Members present were Jesse, Cheyenne and Sheri Steffes, Kent, Val and Leisha Abel, Brenda DeGroot, Bob Belter, Sarah Tracy, Mar, Megan, and Nick Ver Voort, Kay Geurts, Bobbie Buchholtz, Cheri Milheiser, Bambie Thielbar, Kellie Peters, and Jo Ellen Krueger.

