**Dublin Scioto Irish Swimming Booster Meeting Minutes**

**Thursday, June 8, 2017**

**7:30 p.m.**

**Home of Dana Booth & Bruce MacLaughlin**

**Members Present:** Carrie Adelman, Holli Berry, Dana Booth, Ben Miller, Heather Thomas; Co-Captains Delia MacLaughlin and Mitchell Thomas.

**Coaches:** Emily King, Brian Worhatch.

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m.

**President’s Report**:

Dana Booth welcomed the group and thanked everyone for their participation and support, and for agreeing to be available in June to begin to think about the winter season.

**Coach’s Report**

Head Coach Brian Worhatch noted that the meet schedule is nearly complete and up to date on the website. He is still waiting to hear back from Marysville High School about a date, and there could be a few more meets to be scheduled. He is planning for the team to participate in the Christmas Invitational in Canton as the main travel meet, skipping the NE Classic and swimming a local meet that weekend instead. He noted that it is still the intention to have a summer lifting program and he would have an answer about it by July 1. In terms of clarifying swimmer access to the weight room during their season, he said he would again reach out to Nick Magistrale, AD, to reiterate that it is imperative that swimmers are not pushed out of the weight room during the season by athletes whose teams are not in season. All Boosters agreed to help back up Brian on this should it be needed. Brian also mentioned that he would like three days of lifting and two days of power rack (T/TH) this year.

**Treasurer’s Update**

Heather Thomas welcomed Ben Miller as her assistant; she noted the following financial information:

Current fund balance: $3,928.50 as of June 8.

Discussion of fees for 2017-18: It was determined that fees would remain the same for the next season -- $175/swimmer with a $50 discount for the second sibling swimmer. It was also decided that all Booster fees must be paid prior to December 1. If a family feels the fees will be a hardship, the team is happy to work out a payment plan to allow the swimmers to pay for items they receive – t-shirts, team gifts (water bottles, etc.), and modest meal charges for families to participate in events such as senior night which would otherwise be covered in the fee. Any swimmer with no payment or discussion of a payment plan will not receive a team t-shirt or any other items the rest of the team receives. This will be clearly noted at the Booster meeting portion of “Meet the Coach Night,” as well as part of the information that will accompany the mum sale background document since swimmers may sell mums to fulfill all or part of their Booster fee obligation.

**Team Events & Volunteer Needs**

* Mum Sale: Order period July 21 – August 14; Delivery week of September 4.

It was noted that we need to identify plant colors when they are delivered which was a problem last year. Need system – stickers for specific colors, specified section for storage, etc. It is also critical that all swimmers pick up their plants on the day of delivery as the MacLaughlins side and front yards are not very deep nor far from the street and it will be best to get them to customers ASAP.

* Captain’s Cookout will be held on Saturday, September 23 from 5-8 p.m. at the Amberleigh Pavilion (Heather Thomas to reserve space.) There will be a sign up for side dishes, desserts and drinks.
* Team Suits – It was decided to work with Metro Swim Shop for team suits. Dana Booth will reach out to get details on ordering. Team captains will research new suits over the summer.
* Preseason Lifting will begin on September 19.
* Dana Booth will request Senior Portraits from Jason Joseph early again for senior banners.
* Brian Worhatch said he would work on updating website with photos from last season. Discussion ensued about legalities surrounding use of photographs of minors on websites and whether we need a permission form to do so. Ben Miller agreed to explore. It was also noted that we should be sure there is a way to contact the team and the school on the website.
* Volunteers Needed: Carrie Adelman will work with Kim Wolford, Donna Lutz, Holli Berry and others (to be recruited) to organize team events such as senior night and the banquet.
  + Wednesday Lifting Breakfasts (November 8 – February 14 – not including Winter Break)

In August we need to reach out to Kip Witchey to reserve the lounge for breakfast.

* + November Team Bonding Event – it was decided to wait until the time gets closer to decide on a bonding event.
  + Bus Snacks for 12/9, 12/16, 1/19, 1/13 – need Sign-up Genius and suggestions for items.
  + Winter Break team breakfast – The Berry Family has agreed to host this breakfast. Date TBD.
  + Sectionals @CSG – Sign-up Genius for a healthy team snack table at event.
  + Team Pasta Dinners: Need hosts for December 1, December 14; Fergusons will do one of these dates. January 18 – Thomas Family will host. Pasta “Shave Party” is February 15—MacLaughlins will host.
  + Senior Night (Talla Room reserved)
  + Banquet Planning – catering, set-up, etc.

Heidi Miller will work on Sign Up Genius sign ups to be ready to release them the first day of the season.

* Spirit signage at school and announcements about meets: Holli Berry will facilitate
* Hotel rooms for travel meet(s), team poster and water bottles/team gift: D. Booth and Lisa Perry will coordinate.
* Fundraising Nights – Arby’s, Chipotle, City BBQ, Cucinova, Max & Erma’s, others: Holli Berry will coordinate.

**Old Business**

It was discussed that yoga would be a great addition to the team’s training. Coach Worhatch had attempted work out a regular session with team parent Courtney Hibbit but she was not available when the team needed to schedule the sessions. Team will continue to explore options for this.

**New Business**

* Design/plan for apparel will be led by Holli Berry with assistance from Ben Miller.
* Chocolate milk: Last year Judy Whiting procured chocolate milk and cups which the swimmers paid for and had it ready to go to the pool for after practice. We need to decide how best to help carry on this much appreciated tradition after practices next year. The captains said that swimmers did not mind contributing money for the chocolate milk.
* Dates still need to be determined for Booster meetings as per the schedule below:

**2017-18 Booster Meeting Dates:**

November – Meet the Coach Night

December

January

March

March – Banquet

The meeting concluded at 9 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Dana Booth

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DSHS Booster President