

2017 Ancient Mariners Board Meeting

October 22, 2017

Attendees: Pam Blumenthal, Clay Britt, Dottie Buchhagen, David Cheney, Tom Denes, Jeff Dubin, Cathy Gainor, Dave Harmon, Huey Hing, Peter Johnson, Debbie Kelsey, and George Humbert

President David Harmon called the meeting to order at 11:12 a.m. at Cathy Gainor and Tom Denes's house on Everett St. in Kensington. Dave began by thanking Tom and Cathy for hosting and thanking the social committee (George Humbert and Nanci Sundel) for arranging breakfast at the meeting. Holly Donnelly, Secretary began reading the minutes. Nanci Sundel made a motion to accept the minutes without continuing the reading. Cathy Gainor seconded and the motion carried.

Next Dave asked if any of the existing slate of officers were unwilling to serve again. Only Tara Inverso, assistant news editor, is unable. She is going to do the bulletin board. There will be no assistant news letter editor this year. No other changes to the officer slate were made. David Cheney made a motion to elect the officers and Nanci Sundel seconded. The motion carried.

Pam Blumenthal gave the registrar's report. We have 252 swimmers registered, about on par with previous years. Dave thanked the coaches for checking the names of swimmers showing up to practice with registered swimmers to make sure everyone is covered. Pam said that last year everyone got a cap, which cost about \$4 each including postage, and that all the 25th Anniversary caps were gone. The new caps will use the anniversary design but without the banner. Pam says there are 24 silicone caps left.

Dave Harmon went over the financial reports that had been previously e-mailed to members. There were also paper copies at the meeting to examine. Overall, actual expenses came in very close to budget this year.

Tom Denes asked to add \$50 for a new white board at KSAC with markers. (This would increase that line item to \$100.) George said that the budget doesn't correctly reflect social tickets sold at the door for the Albatross. Nanci proposed adding \$100 for the team breakfast in the summer. Peter Johnson proposed buying a new cart for the kickboards as the KSAC but George said he could fix the existing one for \$50. Dave asked for a motion to approve the financial reports that were distributed and that he went over and the budget with these adjustments. Nanci made the motion, Dave Cheney seconded and the motion carried.

Dottie Buchhagen gave the newsletter and web site update. She posted over 1,000 pics to the site, indexed by event. The site gets an increase in hits after she messages the group. The opt-in for receiving a paper copy of the newsletter is in effect, about 40 people request a paper copy. Julie Goldberg may be helping with the newsletter if she has time. The next newsletter edition will come out in November so we can post the minutes from the Board meeting. There are two issues per year. Nanci and George gave the social committee update. Tom DeBettencourt will host the holiday party January 6, 2018. The social committee will assist in planning and food ordering. The fall picnic will be September 23 or 30 and the Committee asked for input on dates. Pam Blumenthal urged the

committee to consider having the picnic in another park, perhaps Wheaton, because it seems like we have most social events in venues less convenient for the Olney and MLK swimmers. The Albatross Social will be at the Georgetown Village Community Center again.

Holly Donnelly gave the Albatross update. We tried to get March 3, and are still trying to get a head official. (Note - after the meeting Holly went to the pool where Pam said she wasn't available March 3, so we decided to have the Albatross on March 10.) George Humbert had a lead and we are still trying to get Jim Garner to respond. The planning meeting for the Albatross will be November 12 at Kara Permisohn's house at 11116 Schuylkill Rd. at 11 a.m. The team needs to renew its certification for pre-approved SSL hours from the county school district. Dave Harmon offered to attend the required in-person training session.

OLD BUSINESS

The team decided not to order any ANCM clothing or towels for sale to members.

Relay entry fees might be needed for nationals in Indianapolis or for the Pan Am games in Orlando.

NEW BUSINESS

The team approved a new policy toward charitable donations. The budget line item for "charity" will be changed to "Sunshine Fund," to be used toward memorial donations for team members or flowers for hospitalized members and any not used for this purpose at the end of the fiscal year will go toward to a charity connected with swimming. Clay Britt offered to look into possible charities. Clay Britt made a motion to accept the policy, Debbie Kelsey seconded and all voted in favor.

Pam Blumenthal made a motion to adjourn, Tom Denes seconded and all were in favor. The meeting adjourned at 12:25 p.m.