

## ANCM October 2019 Annual Meeting Minutes

President David Harmon called the meeting to order at 11:20 am at Tom Denes and Cathy Gainor's residence.

Nanci Sundel moved and Clay Britt seconded a motion to call the meeting to order. All voted in favor. David Harmon announced that long-time treasurer Mauricio Rendeze is no longer swimming and has to resign as treasurer. Kate Fisker has offered to take over. Other volunteers are needed as assistant newsletter/website editor and entries chair for the Albatross swim meet. Dave then asked that we table the rest of the discussion of officers for later in the meeting.

Pam Blumenthal, registrar was unable to attend, so her report was read into the record. We have 209 swimmers registered, with 25 new members, down from previous years. Clay Britt said he had just put an ad on Facebook to try and attract new members.

The next agenda item was the nomination of officers. Changes from last year include the addition of Todd Moses as a member at large and Kate as the new treasurer. Nanci Sundel motioned and Cathy Gainor seconded the adoption of the slate of officers sent out ahead by the president (and attached to these minutes.)

The financial report shows that income was off by \$1351, mostly because of lower attendance and entry fees for the Albatross. Revenue from the Albatross still was about even with costs. Nanci suggested changing the social budget to \$4500 and many people suggested taking out the "local outing" item. Dave agreed to make those changes and send out a revised budget.

Dottie Buchhagen gave a report on the newsletter and website. The domain expires in 2024. She posted 129 photos and saw an increase in traffic generally after new photos post. The next newsletter will come out in Nov. Printing expenses were up because of the flyers, newsletter printing costs were the same. Dottie would like an assistant newsletter editor to help get meet results. There is an inquiry about placing an ad in the newsletter. After some discussion, Tom Denes made a motion to charge \$50 for a half page ad. Kristin Koehler seconded and the motion passed.

Next, we discussed problems with the listserv administered through USMS. Dottie had tried to contact them with no result. Dave suggested putting all of the officers on google groups, and no one objected.

The holiday party will be proposed for January 4 or 11, and Nanci is going to ask Tom and Lynn De Bettancourt if they can host again.

The Albatross Open will be February 29.

Nanci Sundel proposed hosting the picnic in her yard, given the cost and the bees at Cabin John this year. Nanci also would like to get some more members on the social committee to help with events. Next, we discussed the survey sent out to determine why membership was shrinking. Of the people who quit, 44% said it was because of schedule, 21% because of location. Half heard about the club through word of mouth. Kristin Koehler suggested hiring someone to update the web page. Andy

Fraser was discussed. Tom and Dave and several others were worried about one time and recurring costs being high. Dave Harmon agreed to look into making the web page responsive. Kristin agreed to ask Andy for information on re-doing the web site.

Old Business was next on the agenda. Jody Gan gave a report on the air quality survey she and one of her students had administered. She went through the USMS sports medicine committee and sent out the survey to 700 clubs. She did a literature review that determined that chlorinated pools can have an effect on respiratory issues, especially in children. 205 responses came in. 80% of pools use chlorine. 97% of respondents saw no cancer of the respiratory tract. This is good news. Jody and her student are pursuing an article in Swim magazine and possibly an academic article, and coordinating with CDC. New business included a discussion of pace clock purchasing – the decision was not to pursue. Dave announced that he would send out a revised proposed budget.

Nationals are in Richmond in June 2020. All agreed we should plan for a team presence and encourage members to go.

Nanci talked about a Breathe Deep DC 5K walk Nov 3 on the DC mall to honor Margot's memory. Team members can walk or donate.

Dave asked for a motion to approve the Board of Officers. Nanci motioned and Dottie seconded. All were in favor.

Kate Fisken made a motion to adjourn and Nanci seconded at 12:59.