

SH STINGRAY BOARD MEEING MINUTES

Monday, March 21th, 2011

7:00 p.m.

Present:

- Cyndi Davis, Jennifer Gamblin, Gregg Sales, Rebecca Berryman, Dave Anderson, Sarita McIntyre, Geoff Lawson, and Mark McCombs

Stingray Calendar...Rebecca attended the Shady Hollow HOA Board Meeting on 3/17/11 to present our calendar for approval. No problems/conflicts were noted, however, it will not be officially approved until the HOA's Swimming Pool Committee meets on Thursday, 3/24/11. Both Dave and Cyndi stated that they would plan on attending.

Swim Suit...options were revisited again. If we stay with the suit we had selected, Speedo's Optix Splice (in blue), we will not be able to meet the needs of our team (not enough in stock). The board reviewed remaining options and team priorities.

- we want to have a "team suit"
- selected suit needs to be available by Lane 4 or other Speedo vendors when we enter the season
- selected suit needs to be available for two years

Rebecca made a motion that we select Speedo's Sonic Splice as our new team swim suit; Dave seconded the motion; Vote was unanimous; Motion passed.

Dave made a motion for the following items to be approved; Cyndi offered some friendly ammendments; Sarita seconded the motion; Vote was unanimous; Motion passed.

- **Bylaws...**the bylaws need to be amended to reflect the change in our plans for 6 & Unders
 - a swimmer must be able to swim from one end of the pool to the other in a minute or less
 - a swimmer must be able to swim from one end of the pool to the other without using lane lines or touching the bottom of the pool
 - a swimmer must be able to place their face in the water for at least two strokes
 - a swimmer must be able to float on their back with the aid of a kick board
- **Jr. Rays...**at this time we are not planning on offering a Jr. Ray program however, depending on the needs and numbers of our swim team program, if needed the Jr. Ray program may be reinstated at a later date.
- **Practice Schedule...**at this time will set the practice schedule for the 2011 season the same as for the 2010 season. The board agreed to allow the coach discretion in switching the practice times of the 6 & Unders with the 8 & Unders if necessary in order to have more coaching staff available for the younger age groups (especially while school is in session) for the safety of the swimmers.

Stingray Website...Gregg has been working on a new team website. The board reviewed and discussed the website and offered up possible suggestions. Gregg hopes to have the site up and running in the coming week. Any comments, please e-mail them ASAP to Gregg.

Sponsorships...What a business gets for sponsoring our team.

- For donations of \$500 or more, we will have a sign made that will be displayed at all home meets.
- All donations, including in-kind, company logo will be placed on team shirt.
 - Largest donations will have larger logos and be placed at the top of the list of sponsors
- Previously, there has been some discussion about having a banner made with all sponsors listed (as on the back of the team shirt) for display at meets.
- Jennifer agreed to get this information to Daryn.

Volunteerism...The board discussed different options for increasing volunteerism. Some area teams have a policy that states something like, "If you sign up to volunteer for an event and you don't show up, then your swimmer(s) may not participate in the following meet". Other area teams, place a significantly higher dollar figure on opting out of volunteering, example, "If you don't want to volunteer, then registration for your swimmer will be \$400." Some of our board members questioned whether we really have an issue with "lack of volunteers" or not. Some feel we may be able to increase volunteerism by other means, example, "Clip Boards" for special events (example, 4th of July parade, CHAMPS pep rally, Movie Night, etc.) at registration(s) and the team/parent meeting at the Kick Off Party. Our board decided that at this time, we are not comfortable with making volunteering mandatory or enforcing it.

Spirit Items...Gregg showed the board a couple options for a "booster" shirt, which the crowd loved. He also asked the board's opinion on what color "team" shirt would be preferred. The board suggested white this year, since it was gray last year.

Photography...A photographer is going to be needed and scheduled for our Kick Off Party on May 1st for the large team picture. We need to confirm whether a couple of Stingray Photographers would be available and willing, or not, to provide that service. If not, we will need to explore hiring an outside photographer for that service. Rebecca is going to follow up with Tiffani Hofeldt and Cyndi is going to follow up with Pete Aversa.

Meeting adjourned at approximately 8:10 p.m.

Next meeting will be scheduled for Sunday, 3/27/11 at 2:00 p.m.