

Austin Ridge Rapids Swim Team

Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

February 8, 2007

7:45 p.m., Wuzzer Rader's house

Board Members:

Present: Wuzzer Rader, President; Torry Clark, Vice President; Terri Monahan, Secretary; Lisa Ansley, RSL Representative; Kent Wineinger, Member-at-Large

Others Present:

Sara Simmons, Concessions Manager

Proceedings:

The meeting was called to order at 8:00 p.m. The January minutes were approved. Thomas Cregan and Amalie Smith have indicated they will return as Head Coach and Assistant Coach. The Board agreed to offer Thomas a \$3,000 salary and Amalie a \$2,000 salary. The Board acknowledged that Thomas may be absent from practices the latter part of July, and Amalie will need to run those practices. Wuzzer will revise the coach contracts and email to Board members for approval. The Board would like to have signed contracts by the end of the month. Torry proposed meeting with Thomas to discuss his vision/mission for the upcoming season.

The Volunteer Coordinator and Treasurer positions remain vacant.

Lisa attended the RSL meeting on February 6. ARRST has been moved up to the American Division. RSL meet dates will be June 20, June 27, July 2, July 9, July 12, July 18, and July 23. Home and away meets, as well as the bye dates, will be determined next month. American Division Finals will be held Saturday, August 4 at the Spotsy Y. RSL training dates will be forthcoming.

Sara Simmons is the team's Concessions Manager. She has already priced several items at Costco. A \$10 Family Concession Fee will be included on the registration form this year. This will eliminate the plea for concessions donations.

Pre-registration for returning ARRST swimmers will begin Monday, March 26. An email will be sent to current ARRST members with a downloadable Registration Form and Waiver of Liability. These forms will also be available on the team website. Fees will remain the same (\$85 for first swimmer, \$75 for second swimmer, \$65 for each additional swimmer), and returning swimmers registering before April 24 will receive a \$5.00 discount. Pre-registrations will be mailed to or dropped off at Terri's house.

Open registration will take place at the Austin Ridge Community Center on Tuesday, April 24, 6:30 – 8:30 p.m. and Wednesday, April 25, 8:00 – 9:00 p.m. Terri will have team suits, caps and goggles available for purchase. The Board needs to inquire about the coaches' availability on these two evenings.

Gary Ramsey from Sports Fair is providing the team suits and goggles on consignment. Suit

prices will remain the same; however sales tax needs to be incorporated into the price this year. Silicone caps will need to be ordered. Kent will contact Stacy Mead to discuss team t-shirt and sweatshirt sales.

Terri will check the availability of the pool on Saturday morning, June 16 for the Mock Meet. Sara was asked to provide concessions. It was noted that Panera Bread donated breads and muffins last year for the Mock Meet. Terri will also check the availability of the pool on the evening of Sunday, August 5, for the team party.

The Rapids Round-Up (Parents Meeting) is tentatively scheduled for Saturday, June 2, 6-7 p.m. Coach Thomas will have the opportunity to address the parents while the kids swim.

Terri is revising the Registration Form and the ARRSST Team Handbook. Input from Board members was requested.

Torry and Sara received a list of last year's team sponsors. It was suggested that they work together to approach local businesses for team/concessions donations. A recommendation was made to post all sponsors on the team website.

Expanding on Thomas' Wacky Hat idea from last season, Terri proposed having a theme for each home meet. Ideas include Hawaiian, western, and towel toga.

Discussion of the mentoring program was tabled until next month. Board members were asked to bring their recommendations for this program to the next meeting. The Swimmer Coach position will also be discussed at the next Board meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:30 p.m. The next Board meeting is scheduled for Thursday, March 8, at 7:45 p.m.