



**Davis Aquatic Masters
Board Meeting – September 16, 2019**

Kevin Waterson called the meeting to order at 6:32 PM at the Brady Building.

Attendees

Kevin Waterson
Diane Barrett
Alan Rowland

Jenny Mohn
Scott Allison
Patricia Quinn

Stu Kahn (non-voting)

Allan Crow (non-voting)

Approval of Minutes

- The minutes from the August board meeting were unanimously approved.

Finance Report

- Allan provided the financial statement, in addition to a report on membership, investment options, and Cal-OSHA new AQ regulation.
- Allan reported a projected \$973 profit at end-of-year.
- Allan reported that August was \$1407 below budget due to higher than expected payout for substitute coaches, and travel. Nonetheless, budget is still on track.
- Allan reported that he made an adjustment to the budget due to consistently lower swim fees than budgeted. This is due to the decrease in membership.
- Allan reported that he added line items to the budget for Community Services Fund, the Carlson scholarship fund, and the Competition Award fund.
- Allan reported on the fees being paid by the swimmers, categorized by age, status, etc. Of note is the over 80 waiver that costs DAM about \$9180 annually.
- Allan reported on the Cal OSHA new air quality regulation that is set to above 150 AQI. DAM policy dictates that swim workouts/lap swims will be cancelled when AQI exceeds 150.
- Allan reported on potential CD and credit union account options. Live Oak Bank and Travis Credit Union offer a higher yield than what we currently get at BofA. The board discussed the options and generally agreed (though no formal motion was passed) that it is a good idea to pursue a higher yield on DAM monies. Members also discussed other investment opportunities through stocks, i.e. Vanguard. Stu mentioned that there is a DAM swimmer (don't have the name???) who could perhaps advise us on this matter. The topic will be discussed further by the board.

Coach's Report

- Stu reported on swimmer attendance which he stated is one of the highest in the last 7 years.
- Stu reported on the upcoming BBQ at Pat Long's and requested that members RSVP if they plan to attend.
- Brute Squad and Brute Squad Lite are ready to go in October-November.
- Tovah Skiles will work with Stu on 2020 Berryessa swim.
- DAM did not procure the 2020 USMS One Hour Swim; will reapply for 2022.
- DAM will reapply for the USMS Long Distance Championship award for 2021.
- Jason Taormino requested a meeting with Stu and Billy regarding a sports complex. Taormino proposed that several sports groups buy county property north of Sutter Davis Hospital and then develop facilities needed by groups such as aquatics, pentathlon, etc. Taormino would then buy the surrounding property for the purpose of development.
- On September 18, the Bay Area Urban Economics group, and the Aquatics Design Group will present the Aquatic Economic Analysis Update to the Parks and Recreation commission. At that time, other groups (like DAM and DARTs) will have access to the report.
- Schaal pool will possibly be shut down next summer for re-plastering. This will present a problem for the swim groups who use Schaal for workouts, DAM, water polo, Aqua Monsters.
- Stu expressed concern about 80+ swimmers who do not pay fees. Currently, anyone can turn 80 and then come swim at our workouts for free. The board discussed changing this policy so that perhaps only a member in good standing with 5 years participation would be eligible for this benefit. The same might apply to 65+ swimmers who get the dues discount. To be further discussed.

Board Discussion

- The board agreed to present the rest of the Policies and Procedures to membership in numerical order, with the exception of the policy regarding pool cover removal and replacement which will be presented at an appropriate date given the weather changing.
- The board voted unanimously to accept the wording on the new member consent form: **Sign below to accept the terms and conditions for participation in DAM. This includes, but is not limited to, the DAM Policies and Procedures accessible on the DAM website and all written and verbal instruction given by coaches, assistant coaches and lifeguards.**
The board also discussed the process by which we would require all current members to also sign the consent form. Scott proposed a process whereby Signing the consent form would link to USMS registration.
- The board discussed increasing membership dues from \$7 to \$8. Topic will be further discussed.

Action Items

- Jenny will write up a description of the Carlson scholarship fund.
- The board will further discuss investment options for DAM monies.
- The board will further discuss the parameters for 80+ swimmers free membership, and 65+ reduced membership fees. Proposal to require member in good standing for x number of years so that the decrease in fees benefits current members.
- The board will further discuss requiring current members sign the consent form and the process for doing that.
- Scott will work with Erica to use Survey Monkey to link signing the consent form and USMS registration.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:20 PM.

Next meeting October 21, 2019 6:30 PM in the Brady Building.