

Board of Directors Quarterly Meeting

October 30, 2013

INDY AQUATIC MASTERS

The Indy Aquatic Masters (IAM) Board of Directors met on October 30, 2013 for its' quarterly meeting. All members were present. Also present were Ben Christoffel, IAM Program Director; Jeff Halbert, IAM Attorney; Dean Hawkes, IAM Head Coach; Mel Goldstein, IAM Coach; Joan Diercks, Registrar; Jim Barber, Indiana LMSC Chair. There was a quorum.

President George Quigley called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.

Ben Christoffel and Joan Diercks discussed IAM membership. There are currently 331 members with approx. 400 "splashes" per week. The top reasons swimmers do not renew are "too busy, moved, or no reason. November 1-30 has been designated as "We Miss You" month. Swimmers who have left the program have been contacted and asked to rejoin.

Mr. Quigley recognized Jim Barber. Mr. Barber discussed the Fall Classic cancellation. He indicated that the Zone committee cancelled the Classic due to low attendance in 2012 (90 entrants). IAM is considering hosting the meet as a regular Master meet. Mel noted that it would be beneficial to hold the meet in November. Cost for the meet (at Natatorium) would be \$3500 – other sites would be less expensive. Mr. Barber noted that GRIN would offer a subsidy for any team that would host the Fall Classic. Mr. Barber stated that GRIN has decided to lower its yearly fee to \$16, so USMS fees will total \$51. He also mentioned that GRIN would like to help stimulate team growth in all Indiana masters teams. Next, Mr. Barber spoke about the *Swimming Saves Lives* foundation, which helps promote adult learn to swim. The Board discussed Warren Central as a possible site for holding lessons.

Mr. Christoffel thanked Joan Diercks, Michelle Harter and Karen Gernert for their contribution(s) to IAM. He mentioned that Mr. Hawkes is beginning to take on more duties besides coaching. Four contracts (NCHS, Five Seasons, Warren Central, Fishers HS) will be coming up in 2014. All are expected to renew.

Dean Hawkes noted that pools have been full and swimmers are enjoying the workouts. He mentioned that he is trying to incorporate more yardage, per some swimmers' requests. Mr. Hawkes is putting on a stroke clinic on November 23 & 24 at Fishers H.S. Costs are \$40 for members and \$60 for non-members. There will also be a no cost coach run clinic on December 1st. Other events are the "400 Kick for Time" in December, Postal Swim in January and 'Swimcation' in February. Mr. Hawkes hopes to offer a new 'event' each month.

Mel Goldstein discussed the IUPUI facility \$17-\$20 million renovation that is needed. He was excited to note that Beech Grove H.S. is the new IAM swim site, with Craig Bauer coaching.

Kip Zurcher presented the Treasurer's report.

Kris Bowen is planning the Holiday Party with Donel Hakes. The party is being held at the Riviera Country Club on December 14th. Cost per person is \$28.

The meeting adjourned at 2:51 p.m.

George Quigley

Pat Schenkel

