

# **Gwinnett County Swim and Dive Booster Club Meeting**

## **Meeting: November 12, 2009**

### **Focus: Registration monies due, Clody Meet**

All schools were represented.

Call Meeting to Order @ 7:03 by Susan Moody.

#### Introduction and Opening Remarks

Susan opened with a message of thanks to all who volunteer and coach to make the Gwinnett swimming and diving experience a true success. She asked that we also remember the work that Mr. Emery does on our behalf at the county level. His support is critical to our success.

Susan Moody introduced Mark Bettencourt from Embroidery Express. He spoke to all about the services his company provides and outlined some of the products which might be of interest to teams. Business cards were provided to each coach and parent rep in the meeting folders.

#### Trainings:

- Don Faulkner informed us that the technical trainings went well.
- We have additional trainings scheduled at upcoming meets for those teams who requested them.
- Teams may continue to request meet trainings. The cost is paid by the booster club, not the team.
- Susan requested feedback about the trainings.

#### Practice Lanes:

- Susan informed us that the possibility of using the pool at Georgia Gwinnett College looks very promising. We may be able to start practicing there in January. There are still some details to be worked out and the contact at GGC must present the proposal to his school.
- Susan also asked that all teams do their best to enforce the rules at each facility especially in regard to eating and drinking on deck.
- Please let Susan know about any issues that may arise at a practice facility.

#### Finance:

- Steve requested any who have not yet turned in their checks for registration to do so at the end of the meeting.
- He mentioned the current numbers stating that we had a couple of discrepancies with them which will be ironed out.
- At this time we have about \$43,000 in the bank and expect about \$80,000 in registration fees.

#### T-Shirts:

- Don Wilson talked about the t-shirt contest for this year for the county meet program.
- As soon as some final details are hashed out at the board meeting following this meeting, the flyer will be finished and posted on the website.

#### Sponsorships:

- Saundra announced our most recent sponsor, Tom Kenney's law firm, has again agreed to sponsor us this season.
- Beyond this, sponsors have been slow to sign up. Saundra asked all present to do what they can to find potential sponsors and direct them our way.

#### Clody Meet:

- Susan went through the Clody Meet packets. All the information will be posted to the website as soon as possible. There is an error regarding the time standard for the meet on the first page. There no longer is a standard. She reminded coaches that the Hy-Tek entries must include divers. The divers' dive sheets must be submitted to their dive coaches.
- Duluth and Dacula are responsible for concessions and hospitality. Susan reminded everyone that the hospitality room was for the paid officials and coaches, not for timers and other volunteer staff.
- The dive meet director is Jonathon Folds. Region 7 meet director is Don Faulkner, region 8 is Sean Donaghy.
- Susan also requested that parent reps and coaches remind other team parents that there is an admission fee for this meet in addition to the heat sheet cost. She also asked that volunteers be reminded that they sign on for the entire shift. If they must leave early, they should pre-arrange with someone to take over. We want to avoid any conflicts with parents requesting refunds because they must work out the remainder of someone's shift. Susan reminded us that each team may be responsible for workers for the dive portion of this meet and to submit a worker sheet for them as well.
- It was noted the the information sheets were missing a warm up time period for Duluth. This will be corrected.

#### Miscellaneous:

- Susan noted an error in the Coaches' Handbook on page 77. The request for ads for the Clody should be sent as emails. She requested that the ads sent be formatted according to the actual size purchased: full page should be a full page, ¼ page ads should be sent as a quarter of a page.
- Susan pointed out that page 71 of the Coaches' Handbook pertains to sponsors for heat sheet ads.
- The next meeting is January 12 and will cover the county meet. Heat sheet ads for county are due at that time.

- Forms for the Gwinnett Dive Invitational meet have been posted on the website. Remember that there is no entry fee for Gwinnett divers.
- Susan mentioned that if the officials for a meet have not arrived at the location by 15 minutes before the start of the meet, call her.
- Bettie Hudson remarked from the floor that we should all remember that athletes and parents should not approach an official during a meet to discuss anything.
- Susan reminded teams that the home team has the first opportunity to set up and run a concession stand during regular season meets. Only if the home team does not wish to do so may another team request permission to do so. At West Gwinnett, we have been asked to only use the downstairs lobby for regular meet concessions. We may not set up in the upstairs lobby. We suggest that teams provide their own tables for concessions as there is no guarantee that the pool will allow use of theirs. Also, Susan will get a final policy on whether spectators may have drinks in the galleries or not.
- Susan pointed out a typographical error in the Coaches' Handbook on page 52. The AAAA/AAA/AA/A meet begins at 6 pm, not 3 pm as printed.
- The assembly was reminded to please read the Sportsmanship announcement at the start of each meet. Ann stated that there was a copy of the announcement in the timing console box.

Coaches:

- Jennifer Weaver went over the processes for submitting athletes of the month, all county academic team names, and the swimmer and diver of the year consideration. The policies are printed in full on the agenda.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:43

