

MSI Board Meeting Minutes

December 08, 2007

Members Present:

Laura Branch
Chris Branch
Luanne Beauchamp
John Moreshead
Jim Gravel
Leanne Gravel
Steve Elwell
Jared Felker
Brenda Oldfield

Not enough board members present to have a quorum.

Will give out information today and give updates to the audit, but nothing can be voted on today.

Audit update from Jim Gravel:

Jim has made a list of items needed for the audit to continue.

The CD are missing and from past treasures report there should be 30,000 in CD.

Jim recommends a certified letter go to Bonnie and Dwight listing the items needed to complete the audit.

Question: Should MSI get an attorney?

Jim stated the account looks to have a balance around 70,000.00, but that is not reflective of all bills and if there are any missing funds due in for registrations.

Jim suggested that all correspondence to Bonnie and Dwight be certified mail due to lack of response from them to Jim.

The auditor is trying to contact Dwight directly. Maybe he will have better luck getting information that they need to complete the audit.

Jim needs tax exempt information form National Office.

Financial information from teams is needed. Deadline?

Jim will follow up at Board telephone meeting in January 2008.

Zone Budget:

Nothing can be approved at this meeting.

15,000 was used previous subsidy, would like to see that increase to around 18,000.

Cost to the swimmer if we do not increase the subsidy will be around 600.00/ swimmer.

Many of the board felt this was too much to ask a family to contribute to going to winter zones.

Fixed cost: Coaches salary, dinner, entry fees, bus cost and coaches shirts

Variable Cost: Rooms, Food, Fuel for bus, apparel for swimmers

Would like to get swimmers cost down to below 500.00/swimmer.

2 busses are on the addenda for winter zones, if we do not need 2 buses we can cancel one.

Question: Is there a discount if more than one swimmer is attending zones from one family? Yes a discount has been given in the past and can be done again.

Swim Sales for Winter Championships:

Get a team to run the apparel sales table through Action Accents.

Branches will get no money from this. A percentage goes to the team and then a percentage goes to MSI.

Branches will get a letter out to the teams and it was suggested that it be put on the website for everyone to see what the criteria would be to run the apparel sales at Winter Championships.

Should MSI pay someone to run the apparel sales and then all funds except what person is paid will go back to MSI?

The team that does apparel sales would have no Marshal/Timer requirements.

Scholarship:

Jim Willis and Leanne Gravel will present the proposal with more detail at next board meeting.

Club Development:

Luanne commented on the new blogs up on the USA web site, the distance challenge, Club excellence Record. Luanne wanted to know the best way to get information out to the cubs and swimmers?

Suggestion was to have items posted on the website.

Meeting End at 1250

Minutes By Brenda Oldfield