

**Breakers Swim Team Parent Organization Board Meeting  
Minutes from meeting of May 4, 2010**

**In Attendance:** Bud Rimbault, John Duke (for Kathi Meding), Kevin Cortright, Margaret Boos, Katy Devine, Martha March, Sue Marsella

**Absent:** Kathi Meding, Sue Mathus

1. The meeting was called to order by Kevin at 7:36 pm.
2. **Minutes from April 13 Meeting** (S. Marsella): The minutes were previously emailed to all board members for comments. One spelling error and one minor change were made. Printed copies were distributed. Minutes were accepted. The final version will be emailed to Bud for distribution.
3. **Head Coach Report** (B. Rimbault): Y Nationals went well. Our swimmers had many good swims. Two swimmers made 3 new cuts in the time trials. All swimmers were well-behaved for a successful trip. Long Course Nationals for 2011 will be held at Georgia Tech.

Long Course season is underway. The Breakers have already been closed out of 2 meets and part of a third. Those meets include Summer Sizzle, Memorial Day Meet at Rutgers, and part of the Tiger Invitational. The entries for the Princeton Invitational will be posted in 10 days. An eBreaker will be sent to explain what is happening with the meets.

A new thermostat has been installed in Habernickel pool and as a result the air conditioning is working much better. Bud is now in the process of bringing in a new coach and has a second coach lined up for another position. More information will be given when the process is complete.

4. **Board Member Reports:**

**Operations** (M. Boos): Margaret had nothing new to report but was congratulated on the birth of her first grandchild.

**Fundraising** (K. Devine): An updated sheet of fundraising results for the season was distributed. There are few changes at this time. There are no numbers yet for the Swim-a-Thon as the forms and money are not due until May 9. Kevin will have those results by Tuesday or Wednesday of next week.

The upcoming Tricky Tray was discussed and a sheet detailing the prizes was distributed. There are 22 gifts so far. Katy felt that this was a decent start for the first time and that the gifts are substantial. This list will be sent out to the team as incentive to buy tickets at the banquet and also to hopefully inspire more families to donate a gift. The first 4 items on the list are larger and will have a price of \$5.00 per ticket while the remaining gifts will be priced at \$1.00 per ticket or \$20.00 for 25 tickets. At the banquet the winners will be announced after the slide show. Tickets will be available for purchase from the start of the evening until the start of the slide show.

The car wash is scheduled for May 22. There are no chairpersons yet for this event. Bud will send a list of those swimmers that have pre-qualified for Nationals so that Katy can approach parents from this list to chair the event. Bud informed the group that maintenance will take care of the hoses and Kevin has plenty of towels. Martha will bring 2 drying racks for the wet towels. There will be no corresponding picnic planned that day. Kevin will retrieve the previous flyers and change the dates for distribution.

**Publicity (M. March):** Martha informed the group that the National swimmers' photo did appear in the paper with only a small caption, no article. Bud explained that receipt of the article by the newspaper was confirmed but for some reason was not published. Bud will post the article on the website.

5. **Old Business:**

**Banquet (Kevin):** There are about 275 people coming. A large number of 8 & Under swimmers are not attending for an unknown reason. There are a number of families that are just sending the swimmers. Martha reported that there are trophies for 52 boys and 58 girls which Bud explained is only about half the team.

Martha reported that the slide show is almost ready. She is still waiting for photos from 2 of the graduating seniors. A discussion followed concerning who will be burning the dvds this year. Sue Marsella is unable to use her contact from last year. Kevin will look into an alternative.

Kevin reported that the ad journal is going pretty well. He believes the vast majority of the book will be paid for by the messages from parents so we should break even. He informed everyone that if they did not yet run an ad they could still do so.

Martha asked Bud if he would re-write the instructions for the awards and send again to the vendor. The vendor had some trouble understanding what was needed. Bud will get a general invoice from the vendor and then he will cut the purchase order.

6. **New Business:**

**Increasing Volunteerism (general discussion):** The board was asked to think about ways to increase the amount of parents on the team who volunteer. A small discussion was held concerning thoughts on why not everyone volunteers and what can be done about it. The board will discuss this further at the next meeting.

**NEXT BOARD MEETING: TUESDAY, JUNE 8, 2010**

7. **Adjournment:** The meeting was adjourned at 8:39 pm.