

March 7, 2021 Mohican Swim Club Board Meeting Minutes

Vin DeSomma (President), Michael Kessler (VP, Facilities), Katie Blot (VP, Pools), Shane Moore (Treasurer), Elizabeth Redisch (Director), Nikki Hansel (VP, Activities), Catharina Ford (Director), Dani Johnson (Director), Eluned Schweitzer (Director), Elena Naum (Secretary); John Currie, Pool Personnel

Meeting held via Zoom; began at 4:07pm

1) Pool Personnel Update (John)

- County has not considered definitive plans for pools and may not have definitive answers before Memorial Day. Most likely the pools will re-open with COVID protocols similar to last year, but might change as COVID vaccines become more widely available.
 - Masks, social distancing, swim/dive teams limited to 1 person/lane.
 - Whether meets will be allowed remains to be seen.
 - MCSL will petition the county to increase the 1 person/lane maximum based on the successful way NCAP has been running their practices throughout the pandemic.
 - Will meet with state officials on Thursday 3/11 to discuss summer guidelines and will update the board
 - Does not need state/county permission to open
 - Suggests a consistent schedule throughout the summer, which would change if/as COVID safely guidance changes
 - Board discussion on how to treat vaccinated seniors but decision was made to await guidance from the county
- In the midst of hiring for the season
 - Lifeguard training went well a few weeks ago.
 - Has recruited a full staff
 - Aaron is returning
 - 15 returning members of staff plus 1 additional member who did not apply in time last year; 8 licensed pool operators
- Elevator is working
- Has been stopping by biweekly to keep deck clean
- Pool cover coming off by April 1st
- Board discussion about allowing play structure and basketball court use, as well as opening snack bar. Agreement to wait for more guidance from the county.

2) Budget update (Shane)

- Anticipates will pull in a lot of full members
- Have full waiting list

- Opening at the same level as last year

3) Facility Update (Michael)

- Fire truck is no longer parked in the parking lot
- Waiting to hear from the county on how to treat the tree from the conservation area abutting the parking lot which fell toward the dumpsters. He chopped it into smaller logs with his chainsaw.
 - Can the pieces be moved off the property or do they need to be moved back into the conservation area for soil regeneration?
- At the end of the last season, an electrician installed 5 lights above the walkway under the pool deck which was used as the pool entrance. There will be adequate lighting for the season.

4) Bylaws (Michael)

- Working on a master document of the bylaws, after the first meeting of the bylaws committee.
- Will have something to present to the board in April, after another meeting (a writing session) of the bylaws committee.

5) Code of Conduct (Katie)

- Katie will update the code of conduct to include COVID guidelines and will share with the board for a group discussion
- Once approved by the board, the code of conduct will be posted at the pool, on the website and on the pool's reservation system.

6) Logo redesign (Vin/Katie)

- Katie will lead a small committee for the logo redesign.
- Will request estimates and proposals to learn how the process works

7) Swim Team (Elizabeth)

- MCSL has submitted a formal request to the county to allow for at least 4 swimmers per lane during practice, based on the successful way that NCAP has been running practices throughout the pandemic.
- Not sure when season will begin
- Expect to run virtual dual meets where swimmers race in their home pools and the winner is determined after the results are input into the teams' scoring software.
- There has been a request from Kevin and the senior coaching staff to focus on teaching swimming to the youngest Mohican members, who were unable to take lessons last year because of the pandemic.

Next board meeting April 11th at the pool

Board meeting adjourned 4:50pm