Missouri Water Polo, Inc. Meeting Minutes - 6/12/14

In attendance: Board Members John O'Sullivan (President), Bill Pohrer (Treasurer), Steve Adcock, Julie Drake (Secretary), Andrew Wool, Ray Kreienkamp and regular members Brad Drake, Dawn Kaliszewski, Doyt Ladd, Tim O'Sullivan, Sheila Emde, Gregg Emde, Colin Derdeyn

- 1. Election of New Board Members
 - a. Thanks to Charlie, Bill, and Rich
 - b. Nominations Bill Pohrer, Andrew Wool, Ray Kreienkamp
 - c. Nomination and Election of Board Member positions
 - i. Secretary Julie Drake
 - ii. Treasurer Bill Pohrer
 - iii. President John O'Sullivan
- 2. Treasurer Report Bill Pohrer
 - a. Balance as 5/31/14 of \$10,449.17
 - b. Upcoming costs
 - i. Scholarships currently 3 per club; \$200 each
 - 1. Instead of individual kids being "judged" and kids being "paid", give money to the clubs directly (the clubs apply for the subsidy)
 - 2. John will draft the new information and get it to the club coaches
 - ii. Referee Background check for year-round refs
 - iii. Referee Travel \$315 for air travel for Michael O'Neil to Junior Olympics to ref for 2 weeks (he will share info learned with other area refs)
- 3. Old Business
 - a. Trivia Night Julie Drake
 - i. New Committee Chair for next year
 - Last year's donation was a lot larger, so minus that, there was a \$700 difference between the two years. Selling 4 more tables would have given us the \$700 difference, plus what those 40 people would have spent in tickets. More donations would have increased raffle ticket sales, along with working the community for bigger donations that could be used for silent/verbal auction items.
 - To encourage participation, we need to let the schools know what MO Water Polo is doing to help them so that they feel the need to support this fundraiser. Also, how do we get people to loosen their wallets when they are there?
 - Other fundraiser option: Mouse Races? Betting on mice, "Mouse Roulette" (\$52 each round), heads or tails, 50/50, Jell-O Shots, raffles, auction items

Trivia Night - February 28, 2014	Trivia Night - March 1, 2013
American Legion Hall	Andres West
American Legion Hall • \$20 per person/8 per table (24 tables available) – 15 tables sold Summary: • Donation \$25 • Mulligans \$150 • Heads/Tails (did not do) • 50/50 \$175 • Raffle tickets \$470 - 11 Raffle items • Tables \$2520 • Total taken in: \$ 3340 Costs: • \$34 to winning table (Belly Flops/Orange Leaf G.C.) • \$36.00 Office Max tickets/stickers	Andres West • \$25 per person/10 per table (32 tables available) – 19 tables sold Summary: • Donation \$500 • Mulligans \$90 • Heads/Tails \$73 (\$146 taken in) • 50/50 \$703 • Raffle tickets \$870 - 20 Raffle items • Tables \$4405 • Total taken in: \$6864.48 Costs: • \$100 to winning table • \$73 to Heads/Tails winner • \$50.48 Office Max tickets/stickers
 \$1,200 Cost for American Legion Final total profit: \$2,070 	 \$2900.48 Cost for Andres West \$525 Cost for DJ Final total profit: \$3215.52

- b. Have Square \$200 per year John will hold until we need to use it.
 - i. After Square is purchased, enter routing number through website
 - ii. Discussed President and Treasurer are the only two with the password.
 - iii. Ask Ann if separate account should be set up as the "Square Account"
 - iv. No knowledge is stored in the Square
 - v. Looking to have this in place by Trivia Night

4. New Business

- a. Updating our bylaws
 - i. Currently too broad
 - ii. Suggested ideas of our focus should be: developing high school and club teams, developing referees, developing coaches

b. Expanded Fundraising

- Polo-a-thon at MIC West 110 minute game to celebrate 110 years of water polo – later this summer (John is in contact with Guinness for longest water polo game record)
- ii. 2nd Annual Alumni Invitational December 2014
- iii. Grown-up fundraiser at ITap
- iv. "4 Degree Guarantee" with Channel 4
- v. Sheila Emde volunteered to be "Team Parent Mom" she will contact each school's coach for a parent contact name and number (John will get list to Sheila)

- vi. Tabling Trivia Night to see if we get other parents to help with trivia night
- c. T-shirt Sales Committee
 - i. Thank you Andy and Joe need more people to help
 - ii. Go through Benji Landesmann next year? Get more items (cups, bumper stickers, etc.) and fliers about MO Water Polo for the table? Sell at all tournaments? Make the shirts fun for teenagers to want to buy and wear?
- d. Youth Development
 - i. Help clubs become developed at existing neighborhood pools (Matthew Story)
- e. Referee and Coach Development
 - i. Have a clinic before high school season next year for refs and coaches to come to (required? Maybe go through school AD's John O'Sullivan)
 - ii. USA Water Polo came to DeSmet Invitational this year to work with refs there; we need to schedule something to reach all refs (Ray Kreienkamp)
- f. Web Site Development
 - i. Need a list of player/parent/coach/ref email addresses to be able to send out email blasts
- g. Post Season Coordination Committee
- h. Other
 - i. Ray is an awesome guy not wearing whites at the final District game, stepped in to calm a SLUH parent in the stands that was yelling at the refs on deck.
 - ii. Upgrade certificates for All-Conference and all Districts get info from Rich about All-Star Game, banquet
 - iii. All-Star banquet needs more "ceremony", not just pushing kids through to get the papers. Guest speaker? Blend informal and formal. Get rid of skills competition during the game? All-Conference players already know who they are... not have them come up during the banquet? Bring back Hall of Fame
 - iv. Expand program to Kansas City? (Doyt Ladd)
 - Contact Missouri colleges
 - v. Develop Girls' program (Ray Kreienkamp and Dawn Kaliszewski chair committee)
 - Girls team doesn't have to be all from one school.
 - Play a long suit competition next year
 - vi. How do we encourage swimmers to come out for water polo (Bill and Doyt)
 - Take a season off from swimming to play water polo
 - Denies potential talent

5. Next Board Meeting: August 2014

Meeting adjourned 8:55 p.m.