

Hamden Heronettes Minutes
Saturday November 1, 2014
Hamden High School – Room C107

In attendance: Seema Cha, Wai Fun Chow, Michael Agress, Margot Diamond, Rose Spielman, Mia & Mark Von Beeden, Patty Simell, Scheherazade Kuras, Joanne Hiscocks, Sue & Dave DeLancy, Donna Chervenak, Janet Ray, Anna Montgomery and Amy Young

Call to Order at 10:09 a.m.

Report from Head Coach, Anna Montgomery:

- No Tuesday practice on either November 4th or the 11th due to Election Day and Veteran's Day. Make up days have been scheduled (see November calendar)
- PLEASE contact the coaches for practices that your child will not be attending EVERYTIME!
- It is very important for all swimmers to attend all practices because now is the time they are learning and perfecting their figures, which is 50% of their score.
- Routines have been announced and the music will be out in approximately 2 weeks.

Report from Team Manager Patty Simell:

- We are collecting non-perishable food items from now until November 20th. We will be making a team donation to the Stuff A Bus at 5:30 p.m. in the Shop Rite Plaza. This will be a great team photo opportunity, so please have the girls dress in their Heronettes wind jackets or Parkas. (If your swimmer has both a wind suit and a parka, have them bring both so one can be lent to a new swimmer for the photo.)
- We are encouraging all team members to meet ahead of time at Jakes Wayback Burgers at 4:30 p.m. on 11/20 to eat dinner together then go over to the Stuff A Bus!
- Saturday, November 22, is our Swim A Thon. Please ask friends and families to pledge your daughter either per lap or a straight donation. This is a fundraiser that goes 100% toward your swimmer's account. After there will be a party on the pool deck for the swimmers and their families. It's a potluck, so bring sandwiches, fruits, veggies, crackers and cheese, etc.
- Also on Saturday, November 22, at 3:30 we will be having a fundraiser at Patty Simell's home for Jamberry Nails. Feel free to begin shopping online until November 29, 2014 at www.ERICACAMACHO.JAMBERRYNAILS.NET/SHOP
- The girls will be paired with Synchro Sisters (pairing girls from different teams) to encourage them throughout the season as well as at the Holiday party on December 6th they exchange a small gift. Pairings will be announced on 11/22.
- Holiday Party on December 6, 2014. There will be a figure meet first then a pot luck lunch in Room C107 for the team and families. There will be awards given out as well as the gift exchange for the Synchro Sisters.
- December 13, 2014: Clinicians from Boston University mother/daughter team will work with the girls on injury prevention, strength, skills/figure transitions more information to follow. At this time the practice will be scheduled from 8:45-1:30. We will ask them to speak to the older swimmers about swimming in college. This will be \$10.00/hour extra per child for their expertise; according to ability, swimmers will work with the clinicians between 1.5 and 4 hours.
- Meg Guiser Yoga and Hula Hoop clinic: possible dates of January 10th or February 28, 2014, more information to follow.

Secretary's Report:

- Janet read the letter from Cheryl and Brian Miller (Kim Miller's parents) thanking our team for the continued support with the scholarship in memory of their daughter.
- A motion was requested to accept the minutes from the last meeting (Mike Agress 1st, Amy Young 2nd). The minutes were accepted, no one opposed or abstained.

Report from Dave Delancy, Treasurer:

As of September 9, 2014 \$14,209.64 in the checkbook

As of September 30, 2014 \$22,276.10 in the checkbook

- Most expenses were for salaries. Convention expenses were around \$800 in September.
- We received a \$4,000 stipend from the Hamden Parks and Recreation

Approval of Bylaws Amendments to Articles 7 and 8:

By Laws amendment to Article 7 (Amy Young 1st, Mike Agress 2nd) Motion carried unanimously

By Laws amendment to Article 8 (Amy Young 1st, Margot Diamond 2nd) Motion carried with one abstention

Report from Margot, Fundraising:

- \$173 Chipotle
- \$603 profit from Lyman pies (divided 50% team and 50% to swimmers' accounts)
- Whoever sold over 5 pies was entered into a contest and Alena Mauhs' name was chosen to receive a credit for \$25 on her account
- Mixed Bag orders due on Saturday November 8, 2014
- Sunday November 9, 2014: Stop & Shop fundraiser selling Munson candy bars and gently used books.
- December we will be selling Poinsettias, more information to come!
- Amy Young spoke briefly about Scrips and encouraged all to sign up.
- Donna Chervenak spoke about the app for Scrips as well as IGIVE and encouraged people to sign up for both. She also spoke about the clothing drive and explained where you could drop the bags currently and that we are looking to get a donation box set up.

Other Business:

- Sue DeLancy asked permission to have the Parkas cleaned for \$18.00 a piece and that was approved.

Meeting adjourned at 11:36 a.m.

Hamden Heronettes Minutes
Saturday, December 6, 2014
Hamden High School – room C107

In Attendance: Michael Agress, Amy Young, Patty Simell, Aurea Rivera, Scheherazade Kuras, Susan DeLancy, David, DeLancy, Jen Luedee, Rose Spielman, Cassie Sherry, Donna Chervenak, Margot Diamond, Teena Griggs, Mark VonBeeden, Mia VonBeeden, AnnaMaria Mauhs, Janet Ray

I. Call to order

Parents' Association President Janet Ray called the meeting to order at 10:15

II. Approval of minutes of the meeting of November 1, 2014

Michael Agress made a motion to accept the minutes of the November 1 meeting. The motion was seconded by Amy Young and passed 16-0-1

III. Report from Head Coach

None

IV. Report from Apparel Coordinator

Michael Agress reported that all ordered clothing is at the West Haven facility and will be delivered to swimmers next week.

V. Report from First Vice President of Travel

Amy Young reported on all the travel updates that are now listed in detail in the newly update Handbook of Policies and Procedures for the Hamden Heronettes Synchronized Swim Team from page 5 to 13. These updates include cost guidelines, travel policies, travel checklists, volunteer roles as well as the volunteer's duties.

VI. Report from Team Manager

Patty Simell the Team Manager reported the December calendar is up on the Heronettes website. Please note practice changes during Christmas vacation weeks.

Patty thanked all who donated food to the KC101 food drive and noted the girls picture was on KC101's Instagram account.

Upcoming activities: 12/6 – figure meet & holiday party

12/13 – Skills clinic with Eugenia & Rita Gillan - 8:45 – 1:30 (flyer handed out)*

1/10 – Hula Hoop Conditioning – 1:30 – 3:30 (flyer handed out)*

1/12 – New Clinic begins*

VII. Report from Parent Liaison

Teena Griggs the Parent Liaison reported on the Heronettes hosting 3 meets this year. The 1st meet is in January.

Upcoming Kim Miller fund raiser in March – casino bus trip

VIII. Report from Co-Treasurers

Aurea Rivera, treasurer, reported that as of 10/31 the check nook balance is \$22,247.91

David DeLancy, treasurer, reported that the \$150 fund raising requirement that was abolished this year was double counted in the budget in both tuition and fundraising line items. This is a difference of about \$4000.

Motion to accept the Treasurer's Report was made by Amy Young and seconded by AnnaMaria Mauhs, and passed 13-0-0

IX. Report from Second Vice President of Fundraising

Margot Diamond reported total raised \$1885.50.

Chipolte = \$173

Lyman Pies = \$300

Mixed Bag = \$277

Stop & Shop/Munson's = \$750

Jake's Wayback = \$100

Poinsettias = \$285.50

Upcoming fund raisers include Munson's Easter chocolate, car wash & Chipolte

X. Report from Suit Coordinator

Sue DeLancy reported that she will need assistance making headpieces and some detail work on the suits.

Sue is in the process of updating the suit photo book.

XI. Report from Coordinator of Hosted Meets

Rose Spielman reported that she will need many people to assist running the meets.

XII. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 11:40 motion made by David DeLancy

Respectfully submitted,

Mia VonBeeden, Secretary

Hamden Heronettes Minutes
Saturday, February 7th, 2015
Hamden High School – room C107

In Attendance: Michael Agress, Patty Simell, Aurea Rivera, Susan DeLancy, David, DeLancy, Jen Luedee, Rose Spielman, Cassie Sherry, Donna Chervenak, Margot Diamond, Teena Griggs, Mia VonBeeden, AnnaMaria Mauhs, Janet Ray, Stephanie O'Keefe, Anna Montgomery, Seema Cha, Joanne Hiscocks, Patty Lynch

I. Call to order

Parents' Association President Janet Ray called the meeting to order at 10:10

II. Report from Head Coach

Head Coach Anna Montgomery announced swimmers late to practice will be receiving emails to remind them the importance of being on time. Anna reported that coaches make the meet schedules as well as the travel and room assignments.

Anna reminded all of the \$100 per child deknocking penalty will be charged back to offender's family.

The February 21/22 meet will only be 13/15 team, 1 solo and 2 duets. No Combo. The coaches traveling to the meet are Anna, Melissa, & Lauren.

The Watershow theme is Electric Synchro Carnival.

III. Report from Team Manager

Patty Simell the Team Manager sent around a sign up sheet for drivers, chaperones and food parents for upcoming meets. Patty also circulated a letter asking for donations to the National Synchro team.

IV. Report from Parent Liaison

Teena Griggs the Parent Liaison reported the date for the Kim Miller Scholarship bus trip to Mohegan Sun is March 28th. This is the 10th anniversary of the scholarship so in honor of the anniversary 2 scholarships will be awarded. The scholarships will be awarded at the March meet in New Canaan.

V. Approval of minutes of the meeting of December 6th, 2014

Michael Agress made a motion to accept the minutes of the December 6th meeting. The motion was seconded by Dave Delancy and passed 14-0-5

VI. Report from Treasurer

Dave Delancy circulated and explained the current budget. Checkbook balance as 1/31/15 = \$22,643.99.

Motion to accept treasurer's report was made by Michael Agress and seconded by Jen Luedee and passed 19-0-0.

VII. Report from First Vice President of Travel

No report

VIII. Report from Second Vice President of Fundraising

Margot Diamond reported on upcoming fund raisers include Munson's Easter chocolate, car washes, clothing drive & Chipotle.

Reminded all about igive.com, Scrips and swimoutlet.com link.

IX. Report from Watershow Coordinator

Sue Delancy the Watershow Coordinator asked everyone to please sign up for a committee. Sue reminded everyone that the Watershow is April 10th & 11th and the dress rehearsal is April 9th.

X. Report from Suit Coordinator

Sue DeLancy reported that she will need assistance making headpieces and some detail work on the suits. She will send an email to set up a sewing party.

XI. Report from Coordinator of Hosted Meets

Rose Spielman thanked everyone for all his or her help during our January meet.

The Board has identified some areas for improvement for the April and June hosted meets.

XII. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 11:35 motion made by Jen Luedee

Respectfully submitted,
Mia VonBeeden, Secretary

**Hamden Heronettes
Parent's Meeting Minutes
Saturday, March 7th, 2015
Hamden High School – room C107**

In Attendance: Cassie Sherry, Stephanie O'Keefe, Aurea Rivera, Margot Diamond, Patty Simell, Anna Montgomery, Joanne Hiscocks, Mia von Beeden, David DeLancy, Scheherazade Kuras, Rachel Allison, Rose Spielman, Patty Lynch, Jen Luedee, Wai Fun Chow, Janet Ray, Amy Young, Seema Cha, Donna Chervenak

I. Call to order

Parents' Association President Janet Ray called the meeting to order at 10: 12

II. Report from Head Coach

Head Coach Anna Montgomery handed out schedule for EZ Jr & Sr Championships meet in New Canaan March 13 – 15.

See handout for food arrangements. Trying something new – each girl responsible to bring their own lunch and dinner will be provided by the team.

Intermediate swimmers 1st meet is March 20 – 22 in Yonkers, NY.

The coach's travel will be paid for from team fundraising account, as this is the only away meet for this team.

June 5 – 7 meet many volunteers needed. So far...

Goody bags – Donna

Photographer – Teena

Kim Miller fundraiser – Patty

Apparel vendors - Margot

Food – AnnaMaria

Fun Food/bakery table – Amy

Program – JoAnne & Donna

Flowers - ? (volunteer needed)

Anna reiterated the need for appropriate shoes for land drilling, also girls should always bring water bottle and if have, yoga mats and blocks.

The coaches will also be enforcing the uniform policy: green wind jacket, green wind pants, white shirt, black flip-flops and white sneakers for traveling.

And a reminder: absolutely no de-knocking at any competition.

III. Report from Team Manager

Patty Simell the Team Manager reminded everyone about the date for the Kim Miller Scholarship bus trip to Mohegan Sun is March 28th 4:00 – 11:00. (See flyer)

IV. Report from Parent Liaison

No report

V. Approval of minutes of the meeting of February 7th, 2015

Cassie Sherry made a motion to accept the minutes of the February 7th meeting. The motion was seconded by Amy Young and passed 17-0-1

VI. Report from Treasurer

No report

VII. Report from First Vice President of Travel

No report

VIII. Report from Second Vice President of Fundraising

Margot Diamond reported on upcoming fund raisers include Munson's Easter chocolate, car washes, and Chipotle with a May 12th tentative date.

The clothing drive was reported on by Donna Chervenak – changed vendors to Good Will as they pay .12/lb of clothing. See flyer for directions to drop off site.

Reminded all about igive.com, Scripts and swimoutlet.com link.

IX. Report from Watershow Coordinator

Sue Delancy the Watershow Coordinator asked everyone to please sign up for a committee. Sue reminded everyone that the Watershow is April 10th & 11th and the dress rehearsal is April 9th.

See flyer for Program ad sales. 40% of sales go to swimmer the remainder to team. Swimmer Shout out – 100% raised for team.

X. Report from Suit Coordinator

No report

XI. Report from Coordinator of Hosted Meets

The Board has identified some areas for improvement for the April and June hosted meets.

XII. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 11:45 motion made by Amy Young

Respectfully submitted,
Mia VonBeeden, Secretary

Hamden Heronettes
Parent's Meeting Minutes
Saturday, April 4th, 2015
Hamden High School – room C107

In Attendance: Stephanie O'Keefe, Margot Diamond, Anna Montgomery, Mia von Beeden, David DeLancy, Scheherazade Kuras, Rachel Allison, Rose Spielman, Jen Luedee, Wai Fun Chow, Janet Ray, Amy Young, Seema Cha, Donna Chervenak, Teena Griggs

I. Call to order

Parents' Association President Janet Ray called the meeting to order at 10:12

II. Report from Head Coach

Head Coach Anna Montgomery went over Watershow plans:

- All swimmers to be at pool on Thursday at 5:00
- Mike Agress will bring dinner
- Fri & Sat all swimmers at pool by 6:00pm Knixed and in black bathing suit, green wind jacket and pants, white shirt and black flip-flops

All the coaches now have whistles to assist in avoiding collisions in the water. If your swimmer has health issue or planned absence, please let all the coaches your daughter has know.

III. Report from Team Manager

No report

IV. Report from Parent Liaison

Parent Liaison Teena Griggs gave a brief history of Laura Luizzi's history with the Heronettes as a swimmer and a coach. She was recently rediagnosed with cancer. Currently Laura is the Hamden Recreation Department Supervisor and a huge supporter of the team. The team will be sending a card and dinner. Also the Watershow will be dedicated to honor her.

The Mohegan Sun bus trip was a huge success for the Kim Miller Scholarship fund. It raised \$3400.

Teena handed out a 2015 meet schedule.

Reminder: Girls not dressed in proper green wind suit and black flip-flops will not be allowed to accept award with team.

V. Approval of minutes of the meeting of March 7th, 2015

Amy Young made a motion to accept the minutes of the March 7th meeting. The motion was seconded by Dave Delancy and passed 15-0-0

VI. Report from Treasurer

No official report

As of 3/31/15 bank account total = \$19,151.31

VII. Report from First Vice President of Travel

No report

VIII. Report from Second Vice President of Fundraising

Clothing drive raised \$401.88

Upcoming Chipotle and carwash

IX. Report from Watershow Coordinator

-Mia – baskets are done 8 each night

Kim Miller is done, notes and trinkets

-Donna – 10 tickets handed out to each family, due back on Thursday 4/9
\$350 from shout outs

sandwich board needs to be updated and displayed

-Stephanie – spent \$440 in decorations includes, black paper, neon markers
and spray-paint, wrap for pillars, glow bracelets for headpieces,
wrists and ankles, balloons, fairy lights, and neon wire lights.

-Dave – spots ordered and will be picked up on Thursday to test out at dress
rehearsal. Working the lights = Brian, Patrick, Dave

Videotaping will be done by Drew.

-Seema – All set with the food tables and donations

-Aurea – 4 cash boxes with \$90 each for food, tickets, Kim Miller and raffle

XI. Report from Coordinator of Hosted Meets

April 24 – 26 meet approaching quickly. Google Docs sign up sheet will be
emailed, please sign up for something both days. We need everyone to help to make
the meet successful.

Shiraz reported on finding a wholesale flower dealer in Meriden to get the flowers
from.

XII. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 11:40

Respectfully submitted,
Mia VonBeeden, Secretary

**Hamden Heronettes
Parent Meeting Minutes
Hamden High School, Room C107
Saturday May 2, 2015**

In attendance: Patty Simell, Aurea Riviera, Margot Diamond, Rose Spielman, Joanne Hiscocks, Donna Chervenak, Cassie Sherry, Seema Cha, Stephanie O'Keefe, David Delancy, Scheherazade Kuras, Mia Von Beeden, Anna Montgomery and Amy Young.

Call to order: Mia Von Beeden called the meeting to order at 10:13am

Approval of minutes of the meeting of April 5th, 2015

Donna Chervenak made the motion to accept minutes from the April 5th meeting. Amy Young seconded; motion passed.

Report from Head Coach/Team Manager

Anna spoke about the meet in New Canaan Intermediates will swim on Saturday and the 13-15 and 16 and over teams will swim on Sunday. As for the food each swimmer will provide their own lunch and the team moms will bring any left over snacks they have to the meet. Please make sure your swimmers arrive on time! All swimmers must be in their warm up suits for awards or they will not be allowed to accept go up to receive their award. This means they must have the green bottoms and jacket, there will be no exceptions! Anna also stated that they are working on finalizing the pool schedule for the summer. Was a meal ever delivered to Laura Luzzi?

Junior Olympics if the swimmers don't qualify to swim at Junior Olympics then they will compete in the June meet. It was requested that if for example the 13-15 team doesn't make it to the Junior Olympics can the extra time be spent working on the combo. Anna said she will look at the schedule and see what works best for the allotted times.

Everyone is registered for the upcoming New Canaan meet as well as our June meet that we are hosting. Patty will finalize registering anyone who qualified for Junior Olympics. Clinic is tracking head on.

Report from Treasurer

Dave passed around the letter regarding individual swimmer's accounts and explained how the fundraising and any earned money except for Scrip must be used by July 1st, 2015. Several charges have not been added to most tuition statements like the suit costs, travel for New Canaan and if applicable travel to Junior Olympics. We still have fundraiser credits that have not been applied to the statements like the Munson chocolates. Credits can be used towards the tuition statements as well as

the banquet. Scrip will continue and is year round so you can keep on earning.

The Watershow preliminary results were given and it looks like we made \$2,500-\$3,000, they are still waiting on receipts. It also looks as though we made about \$3,000 on the 2015 CT Association Meet, however, still awaiting receipts for that too.

Report from First Vice President of Travel

Amy confirmed that a travel meeting was scheduled for Tuesday at 6:15 to discuss the Junior Olympics for those that already qualified.

Report from Second Vice President of Fundraising

Margot spoke about the upcoming fundraiser at Chipotles which is Tuesday May 19, 2015 from 2-7. The team will make 50% of all profits. Memorial Day Parade fliers handed out too.

Report from Volunteer Coordinator for Hosted Meets

Rose spoke about a new way to approach the June meet would be for everyone to sign up for slots of time they are available. She asked that you call upon anyone to help out and assist in this meet, however, please let her know so that she can schedule people in the appropriate slots. We need a lot of help for this coming meet and will be calling upon alumni to assist as well. We need ALL hands on deck to make this a successful meet!

Mia asked that people keep their eyes out for any sale items that could be used in raffle baskets for next years Water Show.

Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 11:30am

Respectfully Submitted
Amy Young