

## Cumberland Gymnastics Booster Club

Parent Meeting

March 3, 2020



### I. Welcome

- a. President Report – Kelly Rimmer
  - i. Called to order at 6:00 pm.
- b. Approval of December 2019 Minutes. Moved to Approve: Sarah Navarro  
Seconded: Ashley Jones
- c. Kelly welcomed the group and started the election of the offices of Vice President and Treasurer for the next two years. She noted that the letters of interest for each candidate for the positions were emailed to the Booster Club and were available at this meeting should anyone care to review.
  - i. Kelly introduced Tamara McNamee, who was the only applicant for the position of Treasurer. She asked the Booster Club members for a show of hands of who was in favor of Tamara holding this position. The Club members unanimously voted in favor of Tamara taking over the Treasurer position.
  - ii. Ballots were distributed for the election of the Treasurer position between Larisa Juday and Joan Schmidt. After the voting, the ballots were collected and tallied by Jason Wickard and Kelly Rimmer.
- d. Kelly explained the board is launching a new alumni scholarship program to provide financial assistance to team families that may face unexpected financial challenges. The goal is to help meet temporary emergency needs that may arise. This program will require an application to the board, and scholarships will be distributed dependent upon availability and need. Kelly noted that the board will be asking alumni of Cumberland Gymnastics to donate to the scholarship, but also added that interested families can also contribute. At this time, we anticipate that available aid will be modest. More information on applying for aid will be forthcoming. Team families who wish to donate should contact the treasurer or other board member.

### II. Melanie's Report

- a. Meet Updates – Melanie informed the group that she was still looking for an additional opportunity for the Level 2 gymnasts to compete. She noted that state level meets are coming up and she will send out information as she receives it,

which may be only 10 days to two weeks prior to the meet. Xcel state meet is on March 13-15. If you have any questions about an upcoming meet, please email Melanie. Payment for the meet should be made to the Booster Club. Melanie is also attempting to hold a home meet with the girls to give them the opportunity to compete before states.

- b. End of Year Show (May 31) - Melanie noted that the Meet and Concessions committees will oversee the gym show this year. The Booster Club will rent the gym from Cumberland Gymnastics and be able to profit from the admissions and candy grams. Only members of those committees will be required to work the show, but all gymnasts are able to attend and assist.
  1. Summer Planning – Camp week will be held the week of July 27-31, which is during the Summer Olympics anticipated to start July 24<sup>th</sup>. Melanie will share the summer schedule with the families at the end of March or early April. She requested that families that know that their daughter is not continuing as part of the team to please notify her by April 15<sup>th</sup> in order to assist with planning purposes. Kelly added that this also helps when the Booster Club prepares the budget for the following year and that the families should plan accordingly to submit the legally binding contract earlier this year. Melanie said that the contract for current team families will be due on June 15<sup>th</sup> when payment for the month of June is due. Gymnasts will not be permitted to practice in the gym until signed contracts are received. Any family that chooses to leave the gym after signing the contract will be legally committed to fulfilling financial obligations per the terms outlined in the contract. New team families will be required to sign and return a contract by September 1. If you have any questions or are unsure of your gymnast's plans to return, please reach out to Melanie to discuss. The team will have off June 29<sup>th</sup> through July 5<sup>th</sup>. Melanie explained that the summer is very important for the girls to keep up on their skills and work on goals, so please keep these dates in mind when making summer plans. Conferences will be held with families at the end of summer and the coaches will be working with the girls on goals for the summer and looking ahead with their expectations.

### III. Treasurer's Report

- a. Budget Report - Larisa reviewed the budget handout that was provided to everyone. She noted that it still is subject to change and if anyone had any questions to please email her.

#### IV. Vice-President's Report – Committees

- a. Committee Chairs

- i. Fundraising – Jason Wickard reviewed the fundraising status provided by Kristi Wickard. He said that there are three remaining fundraisers:

- 1. Spring flower sale – March 12-28, with delivery before Easter. Kristi will develop a flyer and put in mailboxes by March 12<sup>th</sup>.
    - 2. Spring leo sale – There will be no new donations of leos, and this sale will be held March 16-21. A TTSU will be posted by the end of this week. Volunteers will receive a \$25 credit. Those who volunteered in the fall sale should not sign up unless there are slots to fill after others have had the opportunity to sign up.
    - 3. Freckled Moose (butterbraid/ cake rolls) sale – This will be held April 23- May 9 with delivery before Memorial Day. Larisa noted that she will revise the date of notifying families of balances that may be due to after this fundraiser is held.

Kelly added that fundraising opportunities will be identified in the summer this year, since the team is truly a year-round function. This is another reason why Melanie is requesting gymnasts notify her of their intentions to continue with the team by April 15; committees can be identified in the summer and fundraising can start earlier.

- ii. Meet – Co-Chairs Angie Lane and Ashley Jones – No updates.
      - iii. Concessions – Co-Chairs Sandi Ilgenfritz – Sandi said that there will be a meeting in March prior to the End of Year show.
      - iv. Special Events – Heidi Sowers – Heidi said that the banquet will be held on Saturday June 6<sup>th</sup> at the Ribbon Mill in Carlisle. A caterer and DJ have been secured. There will be a cash bar. This change of venue is following the survey last year that showed that the majority wanted a change from the previous banquet. Melanie will survey the girls to determine the theme and colors, 2020 Summer Olympics or Dream Big.
      - v. Yearbook – Cherie Ramsey – Cherie will be sending out a request for information for the yearbook via email. All pictures taken at this point

have been posted to the Shutterfly site. Yearbooks will be distributed at camp week as they have been done in the past.

vi. Public Relations – Joan Schmidt – Joan requested that she is notified if anyone hears anything from their schools regarding the gymnasts.

V. Communication Items from the Floor – Sandi asked if we could host a smaller meet at the gym and still be able to make a good profit. Kelly explained that we will still put in for larger meets next year with the hope that we will be selected. Although we put more money out for larger meets, we are able to bring in a larger crowd and the profit is larger. Jerome Tanberg asked why Big Spring wasn't an option and Ashley explained that it wasn't large enough to accommodate a whole team including Level 10 gymnasts. Kelly noted that families can still request banner sponsorships for the gym as space is available.

Kelly explained the executive board terms/election process for new families and thanked Jason and Larisa for their work during their terms. Kelly stated that as Tamara was the only nomination for treasurer, that she was elected, and a show of hands showed that she was unanimously approved. Kelly then announced that Larisa was chosen by a majority vote of the Booster Club as the Vice President and thanked both Joan and Larisa for their willingness to serve.

VI. Adjournment - We adjourned at 6:47pm