

City Swim Project/Buffalo Tide
Executive Board Meeting Minutes
Thursday, March 27, 2025

Attendees: Mike Telesco, Mike Switalski, Barrett Erbe, Dennis Wilson, Rick Marable, Nekia Davis, Kristy Russell, Rich Bleichfeld, Annetta Williams, Jean Lalomia

Absent: Charisse Freeman, Jocelyn Guthrie, Yvonne DuBois, Jessica Smith.

The Executive Board Meeting of the City Swim Project/Buffalo Tide was called to order at 6:07 PM on Thursday, March 27, 2025, via Zoom conference, Buffalo, New York.

- 1) Call to Order. 6:07 PM.
- 2) Roll Call.
- 3) Approval of the Agenda for March 27, 2025.
 - a) Motion: Barrett E. Second: Rick M. Approved.
- 4) Approval of Minutes for September 19, 2024.
 - a) Motion: Rich B. Second: Barrett E. Approved.
- 5) Approval of Minutes for January 16, 2025.
 - a) Motion: Rich B. Second: Kristy R. Approved.
- 6) Financial Report. Mike S.
 - a) \$92,000 in the bank.
 - b) City of Buffalo reimbursement for \$70,000 soon.
 - c) Submitted second quarter reimbursement to Erie County for \$3,750.
 - d) Outstanding invoice to City of Lackawanna for \$9,000. To be received. May is the next invoice.
 - e) New grant proposals? Several in the works. Different grants have different requirements and time frames. Suggestions: Private business should be considered.
 - f) Pat Burke. Future sit down/conversation planned. To focus on programmatic funding for CSP/BT and Cazenovia capital needs.
- 7) Rick Aronberg Contract. Mike T and Mike S.
 - a) Motion: To go to closed session. Barrett E. Second: Rich B. Approved.
 - b) Motion: To leave closed session Barrett E. Second: Mike T. 6:36PM.
 - c) Motion to approve the Rick Aronberg contract. Jean L. Second: Barrett E. Discussion. Approved.
- 8) 2024 Membership Report. Mike S.
 - a) 210 swimmers in the first two income categories, over 81%. Renewal numbers not in yet. 118-120 are in the water now. Registered: 200+.
 - b) Juneteenth important for recruitment.
 - c) Potential for a summer enrollment of 80 swimmers for 6 weeks. Say Yes supported.
- 9) Internet at Cazenovia. Mike S.
 - a) We have internet access. A parent was instrumental in arranging this with T Mobile at good price.

- b) Tablets are operational. Student usage improving.
- 10) Cazenovia Pool Use. Mike S.
 - a) Issues with lifeguards. Other water elusive.
- 11) Old Business. Mike S.
 - a) Outstanding: background checks, athlete protection, and Conflict of Interest. Please complete.
 - b) TYR contract. June expiration date. Shopping around to find the best deal. Arena and Speedo are being considered.
 - c) Swimsuits and goggles. Quote of \$4,930. We must restock. 100 goggles, 42 female suits, and 24 male suits are needed.
 - d) Do we have the money? Discussion held. We need to have a report before a vote to approve a large expense. Suggestion: To have an inventory/tracking report to compare/examine expenses. More discussion is needed. Email vote is a consideration. Mike T to develop a monthly revenue and expense expectation spreadsheet. This will then be sent to all.
Motion: For a swimsuit/goggle purchase decision, wait to get more concrete information then will vote by email. Mike T. Second: Barrett E.
 - e) Contingency Zoom meeting date of April 10 at 6:00PM if not 100% answer rate.
- 12) New Business. Mike T.
 - a) Board positions.
Motion: To move to closed session. Barrett E. Second: Nekia D.
Motion: To return to open session. Resume recording from closed session at 7:22PM.
- 13) Adjourn.
 - a) Motion: To adjourn. Barrett E. Second: Nekia D. 7:24PM

Next meeting: May 15, 2025

Draft minutes respectfully submitted: Jean Lalomia