

Masters Swimming Ontario
Board of Directors Meeting
Sunday March 10, 2002
Darlene Brown's Residence

Present: Ralph Chown
 Darlene Brown
 Lesley Mason-Ward
 Charlie Lane
 Claus Koch
 Shona MacLachlan
 Barrie Malloch
 Brian Croker

Absent with Regrets: Mary Brinklow
 Sue Weir

Guests: Geoff Camp

Meeting was called to order by Chair Ralph Chown at 12:30 PM

Approval of the Agenda:

MOTION: To approve the agenda as presented.

 Moved by Shona MacLachlan, seconded by Charlie Lane

CARRIED

Corrections and Acceptance of the Minutes from the February 3rd Meeting:

 Under Rules Committee SNC Handbook should read MSC Handbook.

MOTION: To accept the minutes as corrected.

 Moved by Charlie Lane, seconded by Shona MacLachlan

CARRIED

REPORTS:

WEB ADMINISTRATOR: Barrie reported that it was possible to change our domain name to mastersswimmingontario.com, but she had typed in for a search of masters swimming and MSO came up. Barrie therefore felt it was better to keep status quo. Barrie is looking at purchasing a new computer since the website is maintained on her personal computer. Barrie requested that MSO purchase software only for the website upgrade/upkeep: Windows XP, Office XP and Dreamweaver.

MOTION: MSO to purchase software to continue website development.

 Moved by Lesley Mason-Ward, seconded by Shona MacLachlan

CARRIED

COMPETITION: The matter regarding starts for the 800/1500 freestyle at the Provincials was brought to our attention. It states that all starts will be on deck level for an equal playing field for all. An exception was only if they expected to break a world record. This brought on much discussion. The following motion was decided.

MOTION: For future years where swimming 2 per lane for the 800/1500 freestyle is accepted, the use of starting blocks will not be permitted to maintain a level playing field for all.

Moved by Darlene Brown, seconded by Charlie Lane
CARRIED

EDUCATION: Shona reported that the Postal event was distributed with the swimmer Handbooks. Shona will continue to keep in contact with Ann Gunther. Shona will follow up with Duane Jones, Grant Sinclair and Eric Kramer regarding swim clinics.

STATISTICS & RECORDS: Lesley reports that work is still ongoing. The Board would like to express their sincere thanks to Don Clinton for his ongoing efforts in assisting Lesley in regards to the processing of swim results.

FINANCE: Darlene presented new expense guidelines. They will be going on the website.

MOTION: MSO will pay Brian \$400.00 for his work on the Handbook distribution.

Moved by Claus Koch, seconded by Ralph Chown.

CAN RALPH VOTE ON MOTIONS- THOUGHT HE COULD ONLY BREAK TIES.

RULES: Ralph reported for Pat Niblett that the Rules Committee is looking to produce a loose leaf format of MSO Rules. It is the hope that the MSO rules will be the same as the MSC Rules which will be included in the latest printing in the SNC Handbook. Pat is requesting a budget of \$500.00 for the Rules Committee.

MSC REP: Darlene has nothing to report at this time.

MEMBERSHIP: Brian reports the following numbers:

Clubs- 90

Club swimmer- 2532

OSG members 5 – Ted, Kay, Beth, Pat, & Michael

Unattached swimmers 31

Total # swimmers 2568

Mail memberships 12

New club- John Innes Devilfish

We lost Woodstock Piranhas.

The individual mailing has been done thanks to Geoff, Shona and a few friends. Brian brought up the topic of storage for MSO reports. He has three years + of registration paper and not a lot of space in the apartment. He is requesting that MSO look into storage ideas for all MSO paper.

COMMUNICATIONS: All previous minutes are now on the website. The Handbook is an ongoing process. Updates and corrections should be sent to Claus Koch.

PLANNING: Ralph reported that he would like MSO to work on Age Group/Masters Meets in remote areas, as well as supporting clubs in remote areas.

SWIM ONTARIO: The MSO Brochures will be available at the Swim Ontario AGM scheduled for April 26th. Claus will be manning the MSO booth and attending the AGM.

The continuing situation regarding the “sanctioning fee” requests from Swim Ontario was again discussed. A letter will be drafted after the meeting and sent to Lea Breschneider, the Executive Director of Swim Ontario.

Next Meeting is scheduled for Sunday May 5th, 2002 in Prescott at the home of Lesley Mason-Ward. Start time is 11:30 AM.

MOTION: To adjourn of the meeting at 4:45 PM

Moved by Darlene Brown, seconded by Shona MacLachlan

CARRIED