

**Masters Swimming Ontario
Board of Directors Meeting
Sunday, September 22, 2002
Darlene Brown's place, Toronto, Ontario, 11.00am**

Please post the minutes for club members' information.

PRESENT

Board Members

Mary Brinklow Darlene Brown Shona MacLachlan
Lesley Mason-Ward Sue Weir Charlie Lane

Support

Brian Croker – Registrar; Heather Davies – Secretary; Barrie Malloch – Webmaster

Absent with Regrets

Ralph Chown Claus Koch

Guests

Michael Stroud
Chris Smith – OSOA Representative (late)

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mary Brinklow, acting as chair, called the meeting to order at 11.15 a.m.

2. WELCOME TO GUESTS

Mary welcomed Michael to the meeting.

3. ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA

Corrections to the minutes of April 6, 2002, Etobicoke Olympium were added to the agenda.

MOTION: Darlene Brown/Shona MacLachlan

To adopt the agenda as amended

CARRIED

4. CORRECTIONS AND ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES OF April 6, 2002 and July 21, 2002

A) Corrections to April:

I. to add the opening and closing times and identify who proposed the motion to adjourn

B) Corrections to July:

I. 5.F. – there are two number II ('s)

II. 5.G. II – The Board of Directors of MSC also removed the fall committee meeting from the budget. After the adjustments were made, the budget ended up with a surplus.

III. 5.G.V – MSC forwards \$2.00 (not \$2.50 to SNC)

MOTION: Shona MacLachlan/Sue Weir

To adopt the minutes as amended

CARRIED

5. Business arising from the minutes not covered elsewhere on the agenda

None

6. COMMITTEE REPORTS

A) COMMUNICATIONS: MARY BRINKLOW for CLAUS KOCH

- I. Beth Whittall has been in touch to ask about copies of the minutes that were supposed to be sent out by e-mail. When the final minutes are ready, Heather will e-mail them to Barrie and Brian, and Brian will advise clubs that they are available on the website.
- II. Beth also asked about notification of Board meetings. Future Board meetings will be posted on the Website under a "What's New" button.

B) COMPETITION: CHARLIE LANE

- I. Charlie showed around the Technosport package (plan) for their meets this year. He has asked Duane Jones for the safety sheet, which was missing.
- II. The updated meet schedule is ready.

C) CONSTITUTION/AGM: MARY BRINKLOW

- I. Michael Stroud has offered to do the AGM package.

MOTION: Shona MacLachlan/Sue Weir

All committee reports are to be sent to the Chair of the Constitution/AGM Committee, Mary Brinklow by September 30, 2002 for editing

CARRIED

MOTION: Lesley Mason-Ward/Darlene Brown

The formatting and distribution of the AGM package is to be done by Michael Stroud by October 15, 2002.

CARRIED

- II. Michael will require the following materials as well, for the package:
 - a. an agenda
 - b. last year's minutes (from Brian)
 - c. notice of motion forms (from Brian)
 - d. any notices of motion
 - e. the budget (from Darlene)
- III. The AGM is tentatively scheduled for December 15, 2002 at the North York Pentathlon, pending confirmation of the meet.

D) EDUCATION: SHONA MACLACHLAN

- I. The participation awards forms are on the web.
- II. Shona will send information to Barrie for a button highlighting the participation award.

E) FINANCE TREASURER – TEMPORARY – DARLENE BROWN

- I. Darlene presented the budget. With some corrections it will be ready for the AGM package.
- II. Darlene presented the Profit & Loss Statement and Balance Sheet. Both will be included in the AGM package.

F) MEMBERSHIP: SUE WEIR

- I. Sue has received profiles of Geoff Camp and Brian Croker, SWIMS award recipients, to be posted to the Website.
- II. Sue also has a re-write of the SWIMS award criteria and requests feedback. When the criteria are finalized, they will be posted to the Website.

G) MASTERS SWIMMING CANADA DARLENE BROWN

- I. MSC has sent a questionnaire to the Provincial reps asking for information on the division of labour between the Provincial Masters organizations and their governing bodies and the fees charged for the services.

H) REGISTRAR'S REPORT BRIAN CROKER

I. Stats:

As of August 31, 2002

Number of Clubs:	93
Number of Club Swimmers:	2,825
Number of Unattached Swimmers:	38
Total number of registered swimmers :	2,863
Mail Memberships:	13
Honorary Members:	3
OSG Members:	7*

* this number is included in the total number of club swimmers

II. Stats:

As of September 21, 2002

Number of Clubs:	17
Number of Club Swimmers:	32
Number of Unattached Swimmers :	12
Total number of registered swimmers:	44
Mail Memberships:	3
Honorary Members:	3
OSG Members:	1

I) STATISTICS AND RECORDS: LESLEY MASON-WARD

- I. For a number of reasons, there has been little progress on posting statistics and records for the past few months. Don Clinton is working on some technical difficulties and the end is in sight.
- II. Results are coming in more promptly, and more results are coming in electronically.

J) WEB SITE: WEBMASTER - BARRIE MALLOCH

- I. Kelvin has offered to help with the set up of Dreamweaver, for a fee.

MOTION: Shona MacLachlan/Charlie Lane

To retain Kelvin Landolt to train and assist Barrie in converting the Website to Dreamweaver at a rate of \$20.00/hour to a maximum of \$400.00.

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Break 1.45pm to 2.30pm

7. SWIM ONTARIO NEGOTIATION COMMITTEE: SHONA MACLACHLAN

- I. Shona gave a report on the September 3, 2002 meeting of the Negotiation Committee, the results of which were a proposal of a meeting with Swim Ontario to discuss the situation. SO refused a meeting, and have imposed a November 1, 2002 deadline for full payment of the 2001-2002 and 2002-2003 "Association fees". The committee feels matters are at an impasse.
- II. After discussion, the Board decided that the committee will write a letter to Swim Ontario explaining that we will be unable to pay the fees until the matter goes before the membership for approval for a fee increase, at the Annual General Meeting in December.

8. OTHER BUSINESS:

A) Ontario Swimming Officials Association (OSOA): Chris Smith

- I. The OSOA has agreed to pay meeting expenses for the MSO representative (formerly, MSO paid)
- II. There are some new rule interpretations from FINA:

False Starts: A False Start is declared when a swimmer "starts" before the starting signal is given.

In SW 4.4 there is no mention of:

- "re-introduction of movement on the blocks after taking a motionless stance";
- "flinching, then settling back to a motionless stance"
- "reflex movements, nervous twitches, etc."

These were listed in our (SNC) old rulebook under the heading "types of false starts" in the Canadian rule CSW 4.7.2 ff. (it was never in FINA rules)

Question: Do any of these movements constitute a False Start?

Answer: NO. (FINA clinic)

Interpretation: A false start occurs when a swimmer starts before the Starting Signal.

Electronic Relay Takeovers:

The allowable differential is -.03 seconds for a legal relay takeover. (Omega Swiss Timing)

Therefore, a DQ is -.04 seconds and above.

Question: Do the electronics overrule a Turn Judge standing over the lane who may declare it to the referee as a legal takeover?

Answer: YES. (FINA Clinic)

Interpretation: Just as with electronic timing systems at the finish of a race, so too the electronics shall have precedence in relay-takeovers. (SW 13.1)

Minimum Pool Depth: (FR 2.3 & CFR 2.3.1)

The minimum pool depth when diving from a starting platform is 1.35m from 1 meter to 6 metres out from the end wall. This applies to able-bodied and SWAD swimmers. (1.2m in Canada from 1m to 5m as per CFR 2.3.1)

The minimum pool depth elsewhere in the pool must be 1 metre.

Question: What is the minimum depth needed for a dive start from the pool deck?

Answer: 1 metre. (FINA Clinic)

Judging Strokings vs. Turning:

As officials, we must distinguish between judging the stroking part of the race and the turn.

In Breaststroke, and Butterfly events, the stroking segment begins with the first arm stroke after the start, and ends with the touch of the wall. The turn is not judged after the touch. Then the stroking part of the event begins again once the swimmer loses contact with and leaves the wall to continue swimming. At that time, the rules that apply to the stroking part of the event apply again.

In Backstroke the stroking part of the race ends once the body leaves the back past 90 degrees and rolls onto the breast to initiate the turn. We know that no gliding is permitted and one or both arms must begin to initiate the turn. This is the critical point when an official determines whether a swimmer is gliding, or making up distance before turning, or involved in an "extended layout". This is what we as officials watch, the arm initiating the turn, because as long as that is taking place, it is considered a legal "continuous turning action". Then once the swimmer loses contact with and leaves the wall, the body must be past 90 degrees toward the back as the stroke part of the race continues.

- III. the OSOA has expressed interest in hosting Nationals in 2005 at the Olympium
- IV. the Nepean Sportsplex is booked for April 4,5,6, 2003 for Provincials. Sanction is still pending, but it is hoped that the meet package will be ready to mail in early January.

B) REGISTRAR: Brian Croker

- I. Brian requested an increase to petty cash because of increased mailing and supply costs.

MOTION: Darlene Brown/Mary Brinklow

To increase petty cash by \$200.00, from \$400.00, to a total of \$600.00.

CARRIED

- II. Brian passed out hardcopies of the Annual General Minutes of 2001.

9) NEXT MEETING

Saturday, October 26 at noon at Brantford, before the meet. (Charlie to arrange space.)

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Darlene Brown/Mary Brinklow
To adjourn the meeting at 4.38 p.m.

CARRIED