

Masters Swimming Ontario  
Special General Meeting  
Saturday, February 21, 1998  
Sportsplex in Nepean

## **Present**

### **Club Delegates**

Darlene Brown	EYH
Geoff Camp	ETOB
Muriel Carlyle	1000
Don Clinton	NEP
Sharon Cockerton	UNON
Ann Kilby	CAPS
Barrie Malloch	ETOB
Lesley Mason Ward	SWYM
Pat Niblett	TECH
Chris Smith	MBLA
Michael Stroud	EYH
Don Wells	CAPS

### **Voting Powers**

1000	1000 Islands	2
CAPS	Carleton White Caps	2
CBRG	Cobourg Y (proxy)	1
ETOB	Etobicoke Olympium	4
EYH	East York Hurricanes	1
KEN	Kenora (proxy)	2
MBLA	Master Blasters	2
NEP	Nepean	4
NTMC	North Toronto (proxy)	3
PETY	Peterborough Y	1
ROW	Region of Waterloo	2
SCAR	Scarborough	3
SWYM	Ottawa Swimming West Y	1
TECH	Technosport	2
UNON	Unattached Ontario	1

Proxies received from 1000 Islands, Ottawa Swimming West Y and 3 unattached swimmers will be voided and the votes transferred to the delegates in attendance.

## **Call to Order**

President Chris Smith, acting as chair, called the meeting to order at 10:20 A.M. Chris welcomed the club delegates to the meeting, and thanked Nepean Masters for providing MSO with access to the room for the meetings.

## **Residency**

Motion: Geoff Camp / Pat Niblett

Be it resolved that MSO permit out-of-province resident swimmers who are registered with MSO and swim/train in the province to be eligible for Ontario Records and Top Ten. They must satisfy Canadian (MSC) residency and nationality requirements. These exceptions are to be annually requested in writing by the swimmer and approved by the MSO board.

### ***Discussion***

Geoff stated that this motion was re-drafted after a similar motion was defeated at the AGM in December. The Board had discussed the motion at the Board meeting in January and had prepared and endorsed this motion.

Ann stated that she had withdrawn from MSO in protest over the original requirements and that she was unable to compete for her club if a relay team was close to a record and that this was contradictory to our philosophy of participation.

Don echoed Ann's comments.

Chris offered that these new requirements offered for flexibility, but provided discretionary powers to deal with potential abuse.

CARRIED : 28 FOR 3 AGAINST

### ***Follow Up***

The Board will define a procedure for the annual requests for exception.

## **2 Per Lane Swimming**

Motion: Geoff Camp / Sharon Cockerton

Be it resolved that at the discretion of meet management swimmers be permitted to swim one per lane in 800 and 1500 freestyle events where time constraints require doubling up. When a swimmer wishes to swim in a lane on their own, they must wait until all doubled up heats have been run. Swimmers must indicate their choice in advance of the meet (on the entry forms) and cannot change an election of two per lane

to one per lane at the meet. Meet management has the discretion to surcharge the one per lane swimmers to cover the additional cost.

### ***Discussion***

Geoff noted that a similar motion was defeated at the AGM in December and that this new motion resulted from a Board discussion at the January meeting. The Board endorses this motion.

Lesley wondered if this could create a 2 tiered situation with elite swimmers choosing to swim one per lane. Geoff responded that the option would also be used by those swimmers who simply felt uncomfortable sharing a lane.

The membership agreed that the Referee should ensure that all swimmers start the race in the same manner - either from the blocks or from the deck.

Pat noted that Meet Management has the discretion to change any procedure at the meet and that if the one per lane option was withdrawn, the swimmers who had selected that option should be notified.

CARRIED : 31 For 0 against

### **New Business**

Canadian Championship 1998

Muriel wondered why the Meet Information Package from Nationals had not yet been made available. Geoff explained that he had an MSC report to deliver during the subsequent Board meeting and that he would explain the situation at that meeting.

### **Adjournment**

Motion: Pat Niblett / Darlene Brown

To adjourn the meeting.

CARRIED