

Board of Directors Meeting  
Sunday, May 04, 1997  
NorTel in Brampton

## **PRESENT**

### **Board**

Cheryl Blay Darlene Brown Geoff Camp Don Hambley Barrie Malloch Pat Niblett Chris Smith

### **Employees**

Bruce Fairbrother Michael Stroud

### **Guests**

Grant Sinclair (MBLA)

## **CALL TO ORDER**

Pat Niblett, acting as chair, called the meeting to order at 1:20 P.M. Pat welcomed Grant Sinclair (MBLA) to the meeting.

## **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Motion: Cheryl Blay / Geoff Camp  
Approve the agenda as distributed.  
PASSED

## **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Motion: Don Hambley / Cheryl Blay  
Accept the minutes of the March 16 meeting.  
PASSED

## **REPORTS**

*PRESIDENT : Pat Niblett*

### **Residency Rule**

Pat read a letter from Ann Kilby who swims with the Carleton WhiteCaps and now resides in Quebec. Ann swims under her club's banner when she competes at swim meets and feels that her times should be eligible for Ontario Top Ten and Records. She hurts her club's chances for records if she participates in relay events because of the residency rule.

A copy of the letter expressing the board's view and its decision from the February board meeting has been forwarded to Ann. The board feels that it has dealt with the issue to the best of its ability and should anyone wish to pursue the rule change further it is suggested that they put forth a notice of motion for a rule change at the next AGM.

### **Provincials - Lynn Marshall**

Lynn asked if the pool at Brantford had been measured and the loopholes fixed concerning

record applications. Chris confirmed that Etobicoke has informed the officials of the proper procedures for pool measurement and they have informed the surveyor of whom to contact if the measurement is not correct. Michael Stroud said that they have implemented the proper procedures at Brantford. Michael will definitely make sure they measure the Brantford pool correctly.

***VICE PRESIDENT : Chris Smith***

**Awards**

Chris will be ordering medals next week. He orders the medals in quantities of 500. This will cover awards for the provincials and the open water swims this summer.

**Insurance**

Grant Sinclair (a lawyer) will review the policy although he is not in this field he has experience with the language used in legal documents.

***TREASURER : Darlene Brown***

**Outstanding Liabilities**

The insurance fee paid to Swim Ontario is based on the previous years numbers. Darlene will pay \$8,000 to MSC for national registration fees. The final payment to MSC is due in June.

**Financials and Budget**

Darlene presented the financial statements and a proposed budget.

***SECRETARY : Don Hambley***

Don has organized the binders and boxes of MSO's archived documents.

***MEET COORDINATOR : Cheryl Blay***

**Upcoming Meets**

Welland Y Masters **cancelled** their open water swim scheduled for July 19, 1997. Technosport Swim and Triathlon Club held an 800/1500 free meet on May 3. Rideau Speedeaus received sanction for their meet on February 14, 1998. Burlington Masters received sanction for their meet on February 15, 1998, and Nepean Masters Swim Club has their Winterlude meet sanctioned for February 21, 1998. Cheryl will be sending out Georgian Bay's meet package next week.

***OFFICIALS : Pat Niblett***

**Officials Needed**

A request for officials' help for Canadian Nationals in Montreal appeared in the Officials Committee news letter. Anyone wishing to help can contact Carole Thomas (514) 697-8341.

**Place Judging**

FINA has brought down a new rule that they will no longer require place judges when electronic timing is used with backup manual timers or three manual timers per lane.

**Provincials**

Andrew Buxton (EOM) and Don Clinton (NMSC) talked it over and decided that Nepean Masters would bid to host the 1998 Provincials and the 1999 Nationals. Etobicoke Olympium Masters would bid to host the 1999 Provincials.

***CLUB LIAISON : Barrie Malloch***

**Club Scoring Questionnaire**

Barrie received 85 club scoring questionnaires which were sent to all registered swimmers. The results of the scoring questionnaire were analyzed, and 70 per cent of those responding wanted scoring on a trail basis and 79% wanted some reward for participation. Based on the results of the questionnaire it was decided to proceed with club scoring at the Provincials.

Geoff Camp suggested that the divisions between club groupings should be 50 and 75 swims at the meet. Clubs with up to 50 swims would be in the small group, 50 to 74 would be in the medium group and clubs with 75 swims or over would be in the large group. Bonus points would be based on the percentage of registered swimmers from the club participating at the provincials.

**Draw for Provincials**

Five questionnaires were drawn to have their entry fee to Provincials reimbursed by MSO. The winners are:

1. Daniel Foster (VMAC)
2. Jack Galvin (NYM)
3. Holly Kee (EOM)
4. Nancy Irvin (TECH)
5. Frances MacIntosh (CHUR)

***MSC REP : Geoff Camp***

**Conference Call**

The conference call on March 23 was originally set up to discuss rules but they discussed other items and they scheduled another conference call for March 27.

**Rules**

There was no agreement on rules but they agreed that the copy mailed to clubs was a draft version. Then specific rule discrepancies were passed back to the rule's committee for further discussion.

**Morocco Worlds 1998**

Brian Turnbull (MSC President) sent a letter to Bruce Rogers expressing MSC's concerns about holding the Worlds in Morocco. There was no follow up action concerning this letter.

**Pan Pacific Meeting**

The Pan Pacific countries will hold a meeting at the Pan Pacific Championships in June.

**MSC's Computer Equipment**

Jackie Spry received the equipment David Tree returned and she will be using it to set up the new MSC web page.

**MSC News**

May 15 is the deadline for material for the summer edition of MSC News.

***REGISTRAR : Bruce Fairbrother***

### **Registrations for 1996/1997 season:**

The current registration figures are 80 clubs, 2022 club swimmers, 31 unattached swimmers, and seven mailing memberships.

***RECORDER : Michael Stroud***

### **Records**

Michael will update the short course records before the Provincials. Michael is still waiting for meet results from Variety Village. Vinus van Baalen set two pending world records at Dalewood and Etobicoke. MSC's scm and lcm Top Twenty are now available.

### **Provincials**

Four hundred and ninety-one swimmers have entered the 1997 Provincials. They have cancelled the banquet because only 53 people had signed up for it. They will publish the names of the winners of the draw on the heat sheets.

### **Web Site**

Michael has completed designing MSO's web page and is now looking for a site for it. His web site has received great reviews from the people who evaluated it. Michael will locate a service provider for the web site and the board would review the service in six months. A letter will be sent to the service provider indicating that the board requests the right to close the site for any reason. The MSO board thanked Michael for all his work in creating the MSO web site.

### **Safety Rules**

The French translation of the safety rules is still not adequate. Michael will forward the safety rules to Gordon Knowles of Quebec to translate professionally.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **Reimburse Expenses: Cheryl Blay**

Cheryl Blay attended Swim Ontario's AGM as the official MSO representative due to Chris Smith being unable to attend.

Motion: Geoff Camp / Darlene Brown

To pay half the cost of Cheryl Blay's accommodations to attend Swim Ontario's AGM to replace Chris Smith who couldn't attend the meeting.

PASSED

### **Open Water Swims - unsanctioned**

TBM Sports and Fitness and Running Room Ltd are running a series of open water swims this summer with distances varying from 750m to 4000m. These open water swims are **NOT** sanctioned by MSO but may be of interest to distance swimmers.

<b>Date</b>	<b>Distance</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>City</b>
Jun 21, 1997	750m	Kelso Conservation Area	Milton
Jun 28, 1997	1500m	Mariners Inn	Smith Falls
Jul 1, 1997	4000m	Meech Lake	Gatineau Park, QC
Jul 5, 1997	750m	Lakefield Marina	Lakefield
Jul 6, 1997	1000m	Armstrong Park	North Bay
Jul 13, 1997	1700m	Mississippi River	Carleton Place

Jul 19, 1997	750m	Gray Rocks Resort	St. Jovite, QC
Jul 20, 1997	1500m	Old Fort Henry	Kingston
Jul 27, 1997	1500m	Memorial Park	Oro Station
Jul 30, 1997	1000m	Meech Lake	Gatineau Park, QC
Aug 2, 1997	2000m	Kelvin Grove Park	Bracebridge
Aug 9, 1997	750m	Shades Mills Conservation Area	Cambridge
Aug 17, 1997	1500m	Block House Islands	Brockville
Aug 24, 1997	750m	Kelso Conservation Area	Milton
Aug 31, 1997	2000m	Wilderness Tours	Beachburg

For more information:

Web Site : [www.cyberus.ca/~tbn](http://www.cyberus.ca/~tbn)

TBM-CANTEL Eventlines : (613) 837-9538 (Ottawa) or 1-888-859-1211 (toll-free)

E-mail : [tbn@cyberus.ca](mailto:tbn@cyberus.ca)

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Ste. 592, 420 Main St. E., Milton, ON, L9T 1P9

Fax : (613) 837-0971 (Ottawa area) or 1-888-859-1210 (toll-free)

### **Committees and Structures**

The new committees and structures will be discussed at the next meeting. The board members should have their own area completed with a summary of each committee and the top three actions to be accomplished.

### **New Board Members**

The board has received inquiries from members wishing to sit on the board of directors. There are two positions available whose term would end at the next AGM.

Motion: Geoff Camp / Don Hambley

The President contact the people who have expressed interest to serve on the board and obtain a consent to serve form for ratification at the next board meeting.

PASSED

### **Computer Purchase**

A computer for the registrar will be purchased.

Motion: Geoff Camp / Don Hambley

\$1500.00 exclusive of taxes to be spent by Bruce for a computer excluding a printer.

PASSED

### **NEXT MEETING**

The next board meeting will be at Geoff Camp's office at Nortel in Brampton on Sunday, June 22, at 1:00 PM.

Directions to NorTel (Dixie Road North of Steeles):  
401 to 410 North, exit 410 at Steeles East exit,  
Steeles East to Dixie Road,  
Left (North) on Dixie Road to NorTel office on left  
Turn left immediately past Andrews Funeral Home  
Use South Entrance (awning over doorway).

## **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 6:00 P.M.

### **Web Site Update**

MSO's web site is now online at **[www.sentex.net/mso](http://www.sentex.net/mso)**

The registrar's e-mail address is **[msoreg@mastersswimmingontario.ca](mailto:msoreg@mastersswimmingontario.ca)**