

Board of Directors Meeting  
Saturday, September 20, 1998  
Nortel in Brampton

## **Present**

### **Board Members**

Cheryl Blay Darlene Brown Geoff Camp Sharon Cockerton Pat Niblett

### **Registrar**

Bruce Fairbrother

### **Absent with Regrets**

Don Hambley Lesley Mason-Ward Grant Sinclair Chris Smith

## **Call to Order**

Vice President Geoff Camp, acting as chair, called the meeting to order at 11:25 A.M.

## **Acceptance of Agenda**

Motion: Pat Niblett / Sharon Cockerton

Accept the agenda.

Carried

## **Acceptance of Minutes of July 19, 1998 board meeting**

Corrections:

Pat Niblett's name was omitted from list of board members present.

Under Finance/MSC the last sentence should read "This payment will cover Nationals Fees till the end of 1998."

Michael wrote to Mike Torsney to explain that the Board re-affirmed the rule that swimmers who are dually registered in Ontario and another jurisdiction are only eligible for Ontario Records and Top Ten Ranking when they represent the Ontario club. Michael wrote to Duane Jones noting that confirmation had not been received for many pending records set at Technosport meets.

Membership Committee - Paul Gallagher is a "Master" official (level 5) calling him a Masters official is misleading.

Membership Committee - The line about the Dan Finch letter is misleading. Clarification of the rules will have no impact on the number of committees nor the number of volunteers required to staff the committees.

SWIMS Award - A letter has been sent to each SWIMS recipient encouraging them to use the initials OSG (Order of the Soggy Goggle). The information package for meet managers will be updated to inform them that heat sheets and results should include the initials OSG where appropriate.

Web Site - Michael is continuing to work on the things he said he would finish. Barrie Malloch and Michael met on July 04 and Barrie is now able to upload web pages directly to the web site. She will continue working on the Administration History.

Records and Top Ten - Michael is waiting for **record confirmations** from Technosport. Michael provided a hands-on demonstration of the software to Lesley Mason-Ward and Geoff Camp.

Rules: A draft of the reorganized rules will be sent to the Rules Committee by August 8. Michael has requested a copy of the MSC rules from Geoff.

Motion: Cheryl Blay / Darlene Brown  
Accept the corrected minutes of the July 19, 1998 board meeting.  
Carried

## **Annual General Meeting**

The AGM will be held December 13 after the North York Gators Pentathlon (approx. 2:00 PM.)

Reports will be submitted from: President: Chris Smith, Vice President: Geoff Camp, Awards: Geoff Camp, MSC - Geoff Camp, Meet Co-ordinator: Cheryl Blay, Membership: Sharon Cockerton, Officials: Pat Niblett, Statistician / Web Master: Michael Stroud.

### ***Returning Directors***

Cheryl Blay, Darlene Brown, Geoff Camp, Sharon Cockerton and Grant Sinclair will be returning to serve another year.

### ***Terminating Directors***

Don Hambley, Lesley Mason-Ward, Pat Niblett and Chris Smith terms are completed.

Don Hambley and Chris Smith will not be seeking to serve another term.

If anyone is interested in serving on the board or on a committee please contact: Pat Niblett: (613) 828-4113 or ernpcn@intranet.ca.

## **Committee Updates**

### ***Membership Committee: Chair Sharon Cockerton***

Sharon will ask the regional reps to contact their area clubs.

The committee is working on the problem of why people are not returning. They will be asking the clubs why swimmers are not returning? Are the clubs acquiring new swimmers and how do they get new swimmers? Are swimmers transferring from other clubs and why?

As an example, Nepean Master's membership dropped 15% last year and this year there is a waiting list. There are over 190 swimmers this year.

### **Area Representatives are**

Toronto Downtown ... Wilma Pidhayny ... (416) 465-8202

Toronto Metro ... Darlene Brown ... (416) 423-3675

Golden Horseshoe ... Barrie Malloch ... (905) 607-2397

Ottawa and Area ... Pat Niblett ... (613) 828-4113

Eastern ... Mary Brinklow ... (905) 623-5027

Western ... Don Hambley ... (519) 472-8543

Huron / Central ... Cheryl Blay ... (519) 599-6234

North ... Ian McCloy ... (705) 523-1089

The regional representatives will receive the minutes and other mailings.

### ***Communications / Publications: Chair Secretary - Don Hambley***

The 1999 MSO Handbook will be ratified at the AGM. Advertising art work must be received by November 30, 1998. Please send art work / business card to Darlene Brown with payment enclosed. If you want a business card ad just send the business card and Heather Davies can scan it into the correct format. Rates are: \$500.00 for the back cover; \$300.00 for the inside front; \$300.00 for the inside back; \$200.00 for a full page; \$100.00 for a half page; \$50.00 for a quarter page. Send to: Darlene Brown; 21 Overlea Blvd. #2010, Toronto, ON; M4H 1P2

### ***Competitions: Chair Cheryl Blay***

#### **1999 Provincials**

Cheryl has not received any bids for the 1999 Provincials. Brantford could not host it on the date they applied for because it was too close to the Nationals. If any club is interested in hosting the 1999 Provincials please contact: Cheryl Blay at (519) 599-6234.

#### **Pool Series**

Cheryl is working on the pool series suggested by Ian Christie. Cheryl's idea is to find a sponsor then try to get clubs to participate.

## **Swim Meets**

Technosport is running their series again this year. Sanctioned pool meets are: Oct. 17, Nov. 14, Dec. 12, Jan. 16, Feb. 20, Mar. 20, Apr. 17, Jun. 5.

Technosport's open water swims are July 17 and August 14.

Brantford Aquatic Club ... October 17, 1998

Alderwood Teddy Bares ... November 1, 1998

Ottawa Y Masters ... November 7, 1998

1000 Island Y Masters ... November 22, 1998

North York Gators ... December 13, 1998

Alderwood Teddy Bares ... January 24, 1999

Nepean Masters ... February 13, 1999

Burlington Masters ... February 21, 1999

Rideau Speedeaus ... February 20, 1999

Ancaster Masters ... March 28, 1999

## **Nationals**

Nationals info is on Nepeans web page [www.nmsc.org](http://www.nmsc.org). Entry forms are included with the fall edition of MSC News. The meet will be limited to 850 entries.

Nationals in 2000 will be in Halifax and 2001 in Saskatoon or Regina.

***Finance Committee: Chair: Darlene Brown***

SWIMS Awards - budgeted again but will not necessarily be used.

The financial reports will be included with the AGM reports.

***Constitution: Chair President Chris Smith - no report***

***Marketing: no report***

***Rules: Chair Michael Stroud - no report***

***MSC: Chair Geoff Camp***

## **Swim Magazine Editorial**

An editorial on the Worlds held in Casablanca appeared in Swim Magazine. The editorial stated that 10 Israeli athletes were denied visas and could not participate at the Worlds. This also happened at the World Cross Country Championships where Israeli runners were denied visas. Geoff Camp will draft a letter for the next meeting which will be sent Bruce Rogers, Aquatic Federation of Canada and Swim Magazine asking for answers to this question.

## **Rule Book**

The new rule book will be included with the AGM reports. The rulebook only goes to registered clubs. The MSC office has 200 covers available at a cost of \$2.00 each.

## **AGM**

MSC's AGM will be held next weekend (Sep. 26/27) in Ottawa. There will be a meeting with the organizing committee for the Nationals.

Jackie Spry has resigned as executive secretary and Beth Whittall resigned as MSC News Editor. MSC will be filling the positions of News Editor, Executive Secretary and Web Master at this AGM.

***Fitness: Chair Grant Sinclair - no report***

***Web Master: - no report***

***Officials: Chair Pat Niblett - no report***

### ***Committee Objectives***

Nominations: Chair: Past-President Pat Niblett

1. The committee chairs get workers in line.

Finance: Chair: Treasurer Darlene Brown

1. Standardize the financial reports
2. Zero based budget

Constitution: Chair Vice President Geoff Camp

1. Board meetings

Membership: Chair Sharon Cockerton

1. Questionnaire sent to clubs concerning member not returning, transferring and why.

Competitions: Chair Cheryl Blay

1. Work on a series of pool meets with the marketing committee involved in finding a sponsor.

Officials: Chair Pat Niblett

1. Contact and visit clubs in the area

### **Next Meeting**

Sunday November 8, 1998 at Nortel office in Brampton at 11:30 am.

Meeting Adjourned at 2:15 PM.