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MASTERS SWIMMING ONTARIO

Agenda Teleconference May 3, 2010

Conference Call Numbers:

Adoption of this teleconference as a meeting of the Board of MSO

Adoption of agenda

Approval of minutes of February 27, 2010

Business arising from the minutes

1. Finances – full audit vs audit review Update
2. \$2.00/Swimmer fee to Swim Ontario Update
3. On-Line Payment Update of Research
4. Coaching & stroke clinics
5. Awards
6. St Mary's OWS Update
7. Rule Book
8. File Storage

Board reports

President ----- Sally O'Brien
Vice President/COP ----- Mike Heath Eves
Treasurer ----- Cathy Macdonald
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New Business

Other Business

OAT OWS advertizing

Adjournment

**MASTERS SWIMMING ONTARIO
Board of Directors**

MINUTES

Teleconference May 3, 2010

Present:

Michael Heath Eves, Chair
Pat Angus
Phil Rogers
Sally O'Brien
Carole Herbert
Alisa Abgarov
Cathy Macdonald
Craig Zimmerman
Brian Croker
Robert McGlashan
Sean Warburton
Steve Goodwin

Regrets:

Chris Smith

Absent:

Bob Miles

There was a quorum for this meeting.

Mike opened the meeting at 7:03 p.m.

MOTION: To adopt this teleconference as a meeting of the Board of MSO.

Moved: Sally O'Brien
Seconded: Cathy Macdonald
Carried

MOTION: To adopt the agenda.

Moved: Sally O'Brien
Seconded: Sear Warburton
Carried

MOTION: To approve the minutes from the Board of Directors teleconference meeting of February 27, 2010.

Moved: Sally O'Brien
Seconded: Carole Herbert
Carried
Approval of minutes of February 27, 2010

Business arising from the minutes

9. Finances – full audit vs audit review Update

Cathy has heard nothing as yet. There are very few items that would require a full audit. Cathy will follow-up. This item will be carried forward to next meeting.

10. \$2.00 Per Swimmer fee to Swim Ontario Update

Steve noted there was an outstanding invoice from September. Brian noted that he thought he had forwarded the invoice to Cathy. It may have been lost in transit. The money is set aside in the budget.

There was considerable discussion on this issue. Efforts are still being made to have the insurance fee matter clarified as to what exactly it covers. There is still concern that both MSO and SO have their insurance coverage through the same insurance and brokerage company, although different agents. We are paying double insurance but the reality is, that

we could never collect on both policies. Phil noted that even if originally we needed some coverage through SO because of insuring for example, officials, today it is possible to add on all types of coverage. It was suggested that the insurance agents were not forthcoming with the information requested (Sally to check with Claus). If this is a problem, Sean offered to do some checking into with agents he knows to see if he can get some information.

Mike noted that there is a Memorandum of Understanding which should be signed shortly, in which SNC gives MSC the right to sanction meets and MSC passes this right on to the provincial masters organizations. He noted that MSO is explicitly mentioned. It is hoped that once signed, this Memorandum could be passed on to SO as proof for MSO to be a stand alone organization with sanctioning rights.

11. On-Line Payment Update of Research

Brian has been unable to talk to Lois Adams about Paypal and won't be able to until May 15th. Craig did some research and sent information via e-mail to Mike, Cathy and Sally for feedback. As of now, Craig is the owner of what has been created so far, but this can be transferred to Brian. There is a 3% charge for using the service, depending on the number of transactions. There would be an on-line account just for PayPal and funds could be transferred into the regular MSO bank account on a regular basis. Craig still needs to find out if it's possible to track all the information Brian would need, but at this point it looks positive. Sally and Brian will get in touch with swim teams who have used Paypal and get back to the Board with more information at the next meeting.

12. Coaching & Stroke Clinics

Phil prepared a 4 page document outlining objections, requirements and next steps, which was forwarded to Board members by Mike. Phil suggested target dates of September 18th or 25th, or October 2nd (Saturdays) this fall. It would make sense to hold it in the Toronto area. It is anticipated that we would require 2 hours of pool time and 2 hours of classroom time. Using the USMS model as a guide, he would like to attract 10 to 12 coaches. We will also need swimmers to participate in this clinic, for a fee. These fees will help offset the costs. Phil is interested in bringing a senior coach from the US, and MSO would pay their travel and accommodation expenses, plus possibly an honorarium. Cathy noted that we have a budget of approximately \$7000. set aside for this clinic. The Board has given Phil approval to continue with this plan. He will report back at the next meeting.

13. Awards

As Bob was not on line, Sally reported she has the SOG award for Elenka McKee. Mike and Sally will arrange to take Elenka out to lunch in Brockville. The hope is to present the SOG awards for next year at the 2011 Provincials in Nepean. We will need to order another award for next year.

14. St Mary's OWS - Update

Sally informed the Board that unfortunately this will not be happening this year. Welland is having an OWS this year and they may be able to run an OWS Provincial Championship in the next year. Phil noted that USMS has plans to grow their open water swims and suggested that it is an area of tremendous growth that MSO should give consideration to in the future.

15. Rule Book - Carried Forward

16. File Storage

Brian has pulled 5 boxes but has not had time to pull out the summaries and shred the rest.

Board reports

President ----- **Sally O'Brien** ****new report to be sent****

Mike noted that he did not attend the 2010 Provincials in London, as indicated in Sally's report.

(Cathy – noted no way to verify registration – however BC Masters has had great deal of success, London used it and Lindsay gave very clear instructions). Does work People meeting with Lindsay to tweak.) – Paypal discussion??

Vice President/COP ----- **Mike Heath Eves**

See attached – At this time the Memorandum of Understanding has not been signed.

Vice President's Report

1. COP

A teleconference of the COP was held April 14.

- Interprovincial swimmer transfers were discussed when the issue of a Quebec swimmer wishing to compete with a BC Club in relays at Nationals. It was concluded that the swimmer must be registered in BC in order to compete in relays even though the swimmer is registered in Quebec.
- The MSC registration system that MSABC and MSO utilize has worked well to pick up unregistered swimmers prior to meets. This was used successfully by the London Silver Dolphins at the Ontario Provincials.
- The Memorandum of Understanding between SNC and MSC was ratified by the COP.

2. MSC

Teleconferences held 10-04-11 and 10-04-14 were attended by MSO VP.

- Memorandum of Understanding was discussed and approved by the Board.
- The 130 page book Coaching Masters Swimmers by Nigel Kemp is now complete.
- The MSC Accountant Paul Gerard is retiring.
- It was noticed in the Treasurer's Report that MSO has only paid to Feb 28, 2010, \$1505 versus a budget of \$48,000. MSO needs to review this position.

3. Swimmer Registration Program

- Lindsay Patten is prepared to visit with representatives of MSO with respect to improvements required for the new system implemented in September 1, 2009. This will be discussed at the teleconference. It is suggested here, rather than Lindsay meeting with all Board members that a committee including the Registrar and a Club member who is

familiar with the system meet with Lindsay to discuss common issues. A report would be made to the Board if there are any issues that need to be voted on.

4. Insurance

No report at this time.

Michael J. Heath-Eves

April 26, 2010

Treasurer ----- Cathy MacDonald

Cathy forwarded a copy of the current budget to board members.

Competition ----- Sally O'Brien/ Sean Warburton

Sean has four more meets that he's following up on.

Leadership ----- Phil Rogers – see above

Health and Lifestyle ----- Robert McGlashan

Robert has started his project, which is a review of books on swimming for interested members. Alisa will put in newsletter. Phil suggested a couple of books for Robert to consider.

Communication ----- Alisa Abgarov

Alisa had to leave the conference call before she could report
Carried to next meeting.

Awards -----Bob Miles

No report today.

Staff reports

Web ----- Craig Zimmerman – see above Paypal info

Registration ----- Brian Croker – nothing to report

External Reps

Swim Ontario ----- Steve Goodwin – see above re: insurance

Mike thanked Steve officially for all his assistance in drawing this difficulty that we have with SO to their attention.

Officials ----- Chris Smith - nothing to report today

New Business

Mike asked for an update on getting the records of swimmer surveys from Nathan. Cathy told the Board that Nathan has found one binder and she will be picking it up and bringing to the next meeting.

Other Business

OAT OWS Advertising – OAT wants to list their events on our website. This could be done as a link from our website to OWS. It was agreed that we could use the “What’s New” page as events come up with a link to their website.

Next meeting face to face – June 19, 2010 at 11 a.m. in Etobicoke.

Adjournment – 8:30