

**Masters Swimming Ontario
Annual General Meeting**

Sunday, November 16, 2014

Etobicoke, ON

Following Not-So-Serious Swim Meet

Minutes

Present:

Phil Rogers	TECH
Pat Angus	TECH
Brian Croker	TOMS
Cathy Macdonald	LSD
Sally O'Brien	NEP
Chris Smith	TYMS
Mike Starr	DSC
Barrie Malloch	ATB
Yosai Nomura	TMU
Brigitte Zirger	NEP
Lindsay Patten	New Brunswick, Guest
Aiisa Boulanger	IFS
Charlie Lane	ETOB

Regrets:

Lesley Ducevic
Carole Herbert
Wes Musiel
Sean Warburton

The meeting was called to order by Phil Rogers at 2:45 p.m.

1. Welcome. Quorum, Roll Calls and Vote Tabulations
Brian Croker announced that there are 10 clubs represented at the meeting today and we have a quorum.
2. Acceptance of Agenda
Motion 01: That the agenda be accepted as presented
Moved: Brian Croker
Seconded: Sally O'Brien
Motion Carried

3. Acceptance of the 2013 Annual General Meeting Minutes
Motion 02: That the minutes from the 2013 Annual General Meeting be adopted as written.
Moved: Chris Smith
Seconded: Sally O'Brien
Motion carried
4. Business arising from the 2013 AGM Minutes
Phil Rogers noted that the issues arising from the 2013 AGM had been dealt with and there were no other issues outstanding at this time.
5. Annual Reports from Workgroups, External Representatives and Staff
These reports are attached to AGM package for perusal by members. Phil Rogers indicated there are two areas to be discussed at this meeting: 1) finances in general and MSO's financial situation, and 2) an issue which MSO began to work on this year and will continue as a significant focus in the coming year – improvements and revisions to our IT systems to be able to serve and communicate with our members better.
6. Finances – Currently MSO is running a deficit as expected. This amount varies year/year. For some time we have had a reserve account that is fairly substantial and while it is felt a certain amount is reasonable, our current feeling is it's probably a bit too high at this time. We have been planning the budget to deliberately run a deficit for MSO, by not increasing our fees to members, as well as subsidizing MSC fee increases for all members. Cathy Macdonald indicated that we have been doing this for a number of years and we will continue to revisit the situation as we go forward.
7. IT Issues – Generally we feel it is time to upgrade and improve our ability to take in data, manage data and communicate data. Mike Starr explained that we did not know how other clubs were managing these issues nationally but over the last couple of days there has been a lot of interest in setting up a dialogue with other provinces to address these problems together. He noted this is something still very much in development and will take awhile, due to time constraints of real life.
8. Notices of Motion
There were no Notices of Motion
9. New Business
Charlie Lane announced that Etobicoke is planning on hosting the Ontario Provincials this year. It will be double ended and held April 2-4, 2015. This meet has yet to be sanctioned. It was noted that this is Easter Weekend, for the second year in a row with sessions being held on Thursday, Friday and

Saturday. There is no swimming on Easter Sunday. Phil Rogers noted that he has received some comments indicating that this is not a good time since Easter is important to them, if they are observant, for example. Part of the reason the meet is being held on this weekend is pool availability and a club's ability to run the meet. Sally made the observation that there has been no other bid received from any other club.

10. Retiring of Outgoing Directors & Nominations

Brian Croker received the following nominations:

Phil Rogers
Cathy Macdonald
Chris Smith
Lesley Dusevic
Dorothy Milburn Smith

11. Election of Directors

As there were 5 nominations for 5 vacancies, all nominees were acclaimed.

12. Appointment of Accounting Firm

Motion 03: That the Board retain the firm Schwartz, Levitsky and Feldman, with remuneration to be agreed to and set by the Board.

Moved: Cathy Macdonald
Seconded Sally O'Brien
Motion Carried

13. Adjournment

Brian Croker moved that the meeting be adjourned.
The meeting was adjourned at 3:11 p.m.

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