

Masters Swimming Ontario
Board of Directors Meeting
Teams meeting
Tuesday, December 10th, 2019

Board Members Present: Brigitte Zirger (President), Jake Nesovic (VP), Beth Carey (Treasurer), Rod Beauprie (Secretary), Michael Sweny, Sue Weir.

Regrets: Andrea Schwartz Smith

Meeting began at 7:15 PM with quorum.

1. Adoption of the Agenda

Moved by: Beth Seconded by: Sue Motion carried.

2. Approval of the minutes from November 12 meeting

Moved by: Mike Seconded by: Jake Motion carried.

3. Business Arising from Minutes and Action Items

Action – Coaching resources

- Rod has had some telecom meetings with Paul Boulding (Selkirk, Manitoba) and Ian Feldman (THOR)
- Nigel Kemp shared his material on Coaching Masters. Paul is going to use this with a new coach and provide feedback. Could be used a prep material for a Coaching course.
- Don Kennedy (ORCAS coach) has shared a number of documents with tips on practices and drills
- Paul suggested a Coaches Directory; BZ noted that one already exists on the MSO database.
- Brigitte's advice is to push for quick wins: get the tips on our website; select and share YouTube links like *Go Swim*; recycle open-source material.

Action - Officials

- Mike noted that the document provided just prior to the November 12th meets was based on OSOA's Up the Ladder program for developing officials. Directors had no opportunity to review for the November 12th meeting and it has not returned to the Board for discussion. No further action has been taken with respect to that item from the November meeting.
- Mike and Nepean are planning a timer's clinic one month before the Provincials to train timers. BZ suggested that if Nepean is looking to Scout groups for volunteers, try to make that clinic part of the Scout challenges and go to their meetings.

3.4 AGM Planning

- Brigitte provided a document outlining the relevant clauses in the bylaws regarding the AGM, especially timing of various notices.
- Timing: Agreed to hold the AGM at 8 AM on Saturday, March 28th during warm up and bleeding into the 1500 m.
- BZ will book a room and prepare the Notice of AGM and the Call for Nominations.
- Directors to prepare their chapters of the Annual Report.
- Motion: to appoint Rod Beauprie and Phil Rogers as the Nominating Committee for the upcoming election of Directors.
 - Background, the bylaws state, *“The Board of Directors may, by resolution, appoint a nominating committee for the purpose of receiving recommendations as to those persons suitable for filling vacancies on the Board of Directors. The report of this committee, if adopted by the Board of Directors, shall be mailed to all Member Clubs thirty (30) days prior to the date stipulated for the AGM.”*

Moved by: Brigitte Seconded by: Beth Motion carried.

- Directors to submit their nomination papers to Rod/Phil Rogers. (BZ to send out the Word version of this document).

4. Reports

4.1 Report on Admin (BZ)

- More or less the same number of Clubs but the number of swimmers is slightly down. We continue to register all year and it picks up prior to larger meets.

4.2 Meet schedule (BZ)

- 11 meets have been posted to-date vs 14 last year. Some are still in planning.
- Have lost the open water venue (Welland Canal) and are looking at alternatives including moving this event to July.
- Looming issue: getting Swim Canada and Swim Ontario to share results. Brigitte will attempt to get them to see this as a bigger, non-partisan picture.

4.3 Update on the SNC-MSA situation & CIMS (BZ)

- CIMS now have five clubs in Manitoba, one in BC and two in NB. Manitoba canceled a meet due to lack of officials. It is not clear if they refused to work for the meet or were instructed not to work at the meet by Swim Manitoba.

- BZ reported on the meeting with Andrea Smith and Dean Boles in November. A summary to be completed and circulated.

4.4 Treasurer's report

Beth reported that term deposits are coming due. She will call BMO to renew them. We have rolling Term Deposits. Beth will also transfer funds from PayPal to the bank account.

5. New Business

4.5 MegaMeter

The original tracking program had all the totals visible to the public. This was pulled in behind a sign-in page for technical reasons. BZ requested Web Support to create publically available summary report, similar to the records and rankings.

Directors agreed to post names and distances on a publicly-visible portion of our website. (Update ... this is done!) Brigitte will update the Privacy form to reflect this.

Meeting adjourned at 8:31PM. Next meeting January 14th at 7 PM.