

Approved September 13, 2015

Summer Swimming Operational Committee Meeting Minutes

Sunday April 19, 2015 1:30pm

Sport NS Building, 5516 Spring Garden Rd, Halifax

Attendance: Ken Shea (Summer Swimming Representative), Sue Jackson (President, Swim NS), Bette El-Hawary (ED, Swim NS), Susan James (EH), Andre James (EH), Cindy Hutchison (BSK), Michelle Bregente (WB), Mark Swinamer (CHH) Barbara MacDougall (WW), Dawn Miller (WW), Jackie Dwyer (SMBB)

Conference Call: Cathy Rose (BB), Blair Lipsett (BWB), Jane Lordly (LM)

Regrets: Karen Neville (Colby)

1. **Call to Order and Opening Remarks-** Ken Shea called the meeting to order at 1:35pm. Introductions were made.

2. **Additions & Approval of Agenda-**

Additions to the agenda: None

Motion to approve the agenda: Mark Swinamer/Michelle Bregente Motion carried

3. **Minutes of the September 14th 2014 Meeting-***Motion to approve the minutes as circulated: Barbara MacDougall/Jackie Dwyer- Motion carried*

4. **Business Arising from September 14th, 2014 Meeting Minutes-**

→ *Swim Nova Scotia to review 2015 Registration Fees and communicate to the Summer Clubs as soon as possible- DONE*

→ *Swim Nova Scotia to forward CHH Provincials Financials to Waeg- DONE*

→ *Clubs to notify Swim NS of interest in hosting 2016 Provincials- DONE (Bridgewater)*

→ *Swim Nova Scotia to review entry fees for Provincials- DONE*

5. **Swim Nova Scotia Update-**

→ **Summer All Star Team Update-** An update was circulated on Friday with the All Star team information, please forward this to your members.

→ **Registration-** Registration fees remain the same as they were last season; information was circulated in November (\$25/swimmer, \$75 small team and \$100 large team). Fees are due on Friday July 17 at the latest. The affidavits were circulated recently; please remit a copy of your Club affidavit with your Club Executive information to Swim Nova Scotia no later than June 1st.

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- Swim NS Programs Coordinators- Paige Robillard will be returning this summer; Tony Liew and Sean Berrigan will join her as the three Swim Nova Scotia Programs Coordinators. They will begin working in early May.
- Summer Updates-
 - a. Clubs are reminded that the Programs Coordinators are available to assist Clubs with running any time trials or clinics during their practice times. Please speak with your Club Head Coach to see if there is a need for this and then follow up with the students.
 - b. Banook Lakers are unsure if they will have a team this summer due to low membership numbers. We will know in June if they will participate this year.
 - c. Pictou Subway Sharks have unfortunately decided not to offer a summer swim club. They have equipment available to donate to teams (fins, kick boards, stop watches, etc.); please contact Donna Board: nigelboard@eastlink.ca They also have some team bags to donate for prizes at Provincials.
- NCCP Level 1 Course- will take place June 26-28, 2015 in Halifax. Registration will be available next week. Information will be circulated via email.
- 6. **2015 Summer Provincials Update**- Barbara MacDougall (Waeg Waves)
 - Planning is underway with their organizing committee
 - Seeking input from the Clubs on if they would like to have a dance. Bedford noted that last year there was not a lot of interest. An email will be sent to the teams to see if there is any interest. Based on feedback at the meeting there does not seem to be much interest.
 - Clothing samples will be available in early July
 - They are still working on finalizing sponsorships
- 7. **2016 Provincials Host**- Bridgewater Barracudas have come forward to host the event. Dates are set for August 19-21, 2016.
- 8. **Election of Summer Swimming Committee Chair**- The President of Swim Nova Scotia will take over as the Chair for the Committee. If there is any interest among the Summer Club Presidents, please let Swim Nova Scotia know. The President of Swim Nova Scotia has been the Chair of this Committee in the past.
- 9. **New Business**-

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- a. **Coaches Meeting**- Swim Nova Scotia would like to offer another Coaches Meeting the last week of June. An email will be sent to all Coaches and Presidents with potential dates. The session includes general administrative information and technical skills. Conference call in or a webinar will also be made available for those unable to attend in person.
 - b. **General**-
 - i. **Recruiting**- Concerns were raised around recruiting for Head Coaches and swimmers. Roundtable of suggestions for recruiting. If anyone has further ideas please send them to Swim NS.
 - ii. **Officials**-Lynn Sitland has sent out a request to all Level 5 Officials in the Province to solicit Head Officials for all Invitational Meets. Once these are finalized, a call will be scheduled for mid-June with all Meet Managers and Head Officials to review important information related to hosting swim meets this summer. Official's attire has changed to black bottoms (timers and senior officials).
10. **Next Meeting**- September 13th, 2015 1:30pm at the Sport NS Building, 3rd Floor Classroom.
11. **Adjournment**- 2:10pm