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Summer Swimming Operational Committee Meeting Minutes

Sunday September 22nd, 2013 1:00pm

Room 312, Sport NS Building, 5516 Spring Garden Rd, Halifax

Attendance: Sue Jackson (President, Swim NS), Ken Shea (Summer Swimming Representative), Bette El-Hawary (ED, Swim NS), Mike Dowell (MM), Kelly Polley (WW), Charles Williams (WW), Susan James (EH), Debbie Wright (SMBB), Denise Gheorghe (SMBB), Jane Lordly (LM), Gaynor Ferguson (WB), Tania Williamson (WB), Cindy Hutchison (BSK),

Conference Call: Katherine Bourbonniere (CHH)

1. **Call to Order and Opening Remarks-** Ken Shea called the meeting to order at 1:10pm.

→ Ken welcomed everyone to the meeting.

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

Additions to the agenda: 2014 Summer Swimming Competition Structure.

Motion to approve the agenda: Charlie Williams/Debbie Wright Motion carried

3. **Minutes of the June 2nd, 2013 Meeting-Motion to approve the minutes as circulated: Debbie Wright/Cindy Hutchison- Motion carried**

4. **Business Arising from June 2nd, 2013 Meeting Minutes-**

→ 2014 Provincials Host- Bedford has agreed to host, if there are any clubs interested in co-hosting please contact Ken Shea.

→ Swim-a-Thon- Online program has been launched by Swimming Canada; clubs wishing to continue to do swim-a-thon should contact Bette as soon as possible to schedule their webinar.

5. **Swim Nova Scotia Update-**

- The summer season kicked off with the All-Star meet in New Brunswick; the meet was well received by both parents and swimmers. Provided the meet is run in 2014, the NS Summer All Star Team will attend. Details to be confirmed in the winter. Congratulations to all swimmers who participated in the meet.

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- Thanks to Chris Reith, Mary Claire Lynch and Kit Moran for their time this summer as the Summer Swimming Coordinators. We look forward to their return next summer. Thanks were extended from others for a great job.
 - Thanks to the members of the Summer LTAD Committee for their time throughout the last few years on the continuous review of the Summer Competition schedule, format and templates. Committee members were Brian Beckwith (who is a member of the Swim NS LTAD Committee), Tavia Raiche-Marsden, Michelle Raiche-Marsden, Audrey Rivest and Bette El-Hawary.
 - Thanks to the Cole Harbour Hurricanes swim club for co-hosting Provincials this summer under the circumstances at Dalhousie University.
 - Kelley Polley extended a huge thank you to Katherine and the Hurricanes for doing a great job with the organization of Provincials!
6. **2013 Summer Swimming Provincials Wrap-Up**- Katherine Bourbonniere
- CHH is currently working on a final report.
 - It was a huge undertaking for their team as this was their first time hosting a meet.
 - Financial report will be included in their final report
7. **2014 Provincials Host**-Bedford is confirmed to host August 15-17, 2014.
8. **2015 Provincials Host**- Waeg is confirmed to host August 14-16, 2015; Bette noted that Clubs wishing to host future Provincials please email Bette anytime with proposed dates. LM/SMBB may co-host in the future; will be confirmed.
9. **2013-2014 Year Round Training Policy**- The changes were noted in red in the last two paragraphs; the section on the year-round training policy was included (previously in another document). The June 30th date for applications of exemptions was included to ensure SNS has enough time to review the application and give the swimmers that are eligible the opportunity to compete in the invitational meets. ***Motion to approve the 2013-14 Year Round Training Policy as circulated: Kelly Polley/Debbie Wright - Motion carried***
10. **New Business**-
- 2014 Summer Swimming Competition Structure-
 - The Summer LTAD Committee reviewed the 2013 Structure and made few changes; overall the templates

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worked well this season and the numbers for Provincials were in line with previous years. The qualifying times will be reviewed at the end of the 2014 season.

- The 100m IM for Participation was added to template A to give the swimmers another opportunity to graduate.
- The competition period was extended through June to allow times from time trials and the All Star meet to be included for Provincials qualification and entry times for the first meet.
- The Committee did discuss the 50m Kick and will include it in the 2014 templates. We will try doing the 50m Kick as 'flighted' heats if required to save time. Officials will be briefed on how to run 'flighted' heats.
- Discussion took place on the 400m Free swimming two per lane; the Head Official will ensure communication amongst the on deck officials.

11. **Next Meeting**- April 13, 2014 1:00pm in Halifax. Katherine noted that the CHH AGM will take place at the end of October and she will no longer be the President, thanks to Katherine for her time as President for CHH!
12. **Adjournment**- Motion to adjourn by Debbie Wright at 1:55pm.