

MSABC Board of Directors Meeting

Sandman Suites on Davie Street

4:30 pm Saturday, February 23, 2013

Minutes

Call to Order: 5:10 pm

Present: Gilles, Nancy, Susan, Len, Glen, Keith, John, Rod

Absent: None

Quorum: Declared

- A. **Adoption of Agenda:** adopted by Susan and John seconded
- B. **Adoption of minutes from January 20, 2013 meeting:** adopted by Glen and Susan seconded
- C. **Old Business**
 1. **Update to Meet Manager Manual and new waiver** – Len
Deferred to June meeting
 2. **Foundation philosophy** – Keith, Susan
Susan is working on providing an explanation of the Foundation in user friendly language for the website. Keith as Treasurer and Gilles as President will have the password for accessing our Foundation information.
 3. **Provincial Open Water Championships** - Glen, Rod, Susan
Thetis Lake Swim for MS is in the process of becoming a society in order to guarantee the event will continue in years to come. The format will be similar to past years but the Provincial component will be at the end. The meet will be sanctioned by Swim BC but hosted by MSABC.
ACTION: Rod will work with Susan on the Open Water rules and Tri insurance details. They hope to announce this event at our Provincials in April.
ACTION: Glen will ask Brent Hobbs for advice on insurance and officials. MSABC will pay the top officials costs for the July 28th event.
 4. **Awards and Nominations info posted on Facebook** – Susan
Nominations are due March 31. This date has been posted on the Blog and Facebook along with a description of the awards.
 5. Team sizes – to be determined - Len
Discussion took place regarding the point system and some of the problems it is causing Len as the Registrar and Victoria Meet Manager. The main issue is with the points for relays.

Suggestions: 1. To delegate one specific person who is knowledgeable with HyTek , to be in charge. 2. Send out a survey to members asking if they are interested in competing or not competing.

Each year the team size trophy will change due to the numbers of teams from the previous year. The large, medium and small range will be decided the following Fall.

ACTION: An administrator need to be chosen and then a sub committee to set the rules.

6. Price of drop down banner- Gilles

The price list and details are in the secretary's notes. Two full banners will be ordered – small and medium. One tail will be ordered for Winskill Otters.

7. Policy information – Nancy

ACTION: Nancy will ask Steve Ricketts for a hard copy of the Policies.

D. New Business

1. Registrar's Report – Len

We have 1590 members to date. Next year's waiver will include information for members to access Facebook and Twitter. Len has worked with MSC on updating clubs in BC and getting rid of defunct clubs.

Len had a positive meeting with the Dolphins in terms of orienting them to what a Provincial Master meet entails. Eg. Rules, records, goody bags, draw prizes. MSABC will have to pay for the goody bag item (\$3. Water bottle) as we did not communicate this cost earlier with the Dolphins.

2. Treasurer's Report – Keith

Treasurer's report is in the secretary's file.

ACTION: Next meeting to discuss whether or not to contribute more money to the foundation fund as the rates are better than the banks This AGM will be the first time members will be aware of the positive impact of the Foundation.

ACTION: Because MSC plans to increase it's rates,Keith will look into the idea of either holding our membership rates or charge \$5.00 less or MSABC will eat the MSC's increase. He will send an email to the Board regarding his findings.

Brent Hobbs and Danielle Brault will be acting as the auditors.

3. Swim BC Report – Gilles

Swim BC will be hosting the World Time Trials in Victoria.

ACTION: Keith will look into the possibility of MSABC sponsoring an event.

ACTION: Glen will look into the price of polo shirts for the Board.

4. MSC Report – Keith, Glen

MSC is continuing to review the bylaws. National coaching level 1 is coming soon.

5. Communications Report – Susan

136 members are on Facebook and 133 are using the Blog to date. CBC Doc Zone will feature MSABC and especially Gilles, in a documentary on Baby Boomers and Retirement. Great advertising for Masters swimming.

6. **Revisit financial bonus to host sanctioned meets** – Nancy

If a club makes a profit while hosting a meet, there will be no financial grant as an incentive to host a meet.

ACTION: to discuss renewing the \$300. To assist in administering the HyTek system during a meet.

7. **Provincials Update**

Susan, Gilles, Len and Rod met prior to this meeting to develop a framework for the banquet. Susan has written up an outline of the event program which will be discussed in more detail at the next meeting.

E. **Any other business**

1. Danielle Brault has offered to organize the relays for MSABC at the Nationals. MSABC pays the relay entry fees.

ACTION: Our Blog and Facebook will inform our members of this offer.

2. FINA does not recognize records at World games events.

Meeting adjourned at 8 pm.

Next meeting: April 7, 2013 1405 Douglas Street Victoria BC at 12 noon.

Agenda will mainly be to discuss the format of the AGM and Banquet.

Nancy Ryan, Secretary

Gilles Beaudin, President