

**MASTERS SWIMMING ASSOCIATION OF BRITISH COLUMBIA
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
VICTORIA, BC
MARCH 31, 2012**

Call to order: 3:20 pm

Attendance: sign up sheet distributed (original in secretary's file)

Present Board members: Gilles Beaudin, Nancy Ryan, Len Martel, Keith Kendal, Glen Mehus, Aart Looye

Regrets: John McManus

Quorum: declared

1. ADOPTION OF RULES OF ORDER

Roberts Rules of Order were adopted for the meeting.

Motion: (Danielle Brault) to adopt Rules of Order. (seconded by Brent Hobbs)

Approved

2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Motion: (Rod Carmichael) To adopt the agenda as circulated. (seconded by Claudia Sperling)

Approved

3. ADOPTION OF AMENDED MINUTES FROM THE 2011 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Motion: (Danielle Brault) To adopt the amended minutes of the 2011 AGM (seconded by Leon Politano)

Approved

4. INTRODUCTION OF BOARD MEMBERS

Gilles Beaudin welcomed the membership and introduced the present Board of Directors. Three members had removed themselves from the Board during the course of the past year due to personal reasons.

5. OLD BUSINESS

A. AUDITOR'S REPORT

Keith distributed and reviewed the Financial Statements for the period ending August 31, 2011, to the membership. Two MSABC members in good standing, Sarah MacDonald and Kevin Foster signed and sealed the statement on March 29, 2012 and February 12, 2012 respectively. The Financial Statements are in the Secretary's File.

B. APPOINTMENT OF AUDITOR

Auditors cannot be board members or related to board members. Also, the auditors must be different each year.

Brent Hobbs (Okanagan Masters) and Danielle Brault (Vic Masters) offered to audit the books for the upcoming year. **Approved.**

C. REPORTS OF THE DIRECTORS

Len Martel, Registrar - reported that the largest clubs in order are: English Bay, Vic Masters tied with UBC and Okanagan. The registration system is working well. His job is to collect the registrations from the clubs. This year, we have more registrations possibly due to the Nationals being held in Kelowna.

John McManus, Webmaster and Director at Large: absent

Nancy Ryan, Secretary - reported that she records the minutes and works with a very supportive board who provides any points that may be missing in the minutes.

Glen Mehus, Director at Large - reported that he does what is required of the Board.

Keith Kendal, Vice President and Treasurer - reported that he keeps the books and provides an updated balance at each Board meeting as well as the AGM.

Gilles Beaudin, President - reported that he works with a very supportive Board and has enjoyed his first year as President.

D. FOUNDATION REPORT by Aart Looye

The amount of \$20,000 was deposited into the Vancouver Foundation Fund in 2010. We have so far accumulated an additional \$800.00 in interest. MSABC, being an association, was unable to provide tax receipts for anyone wanting to donate monies and that can be a deterrent to those individuals. That was one of the reasons that spurred us to becoming a part of the Vancouver Foundation. Those groups/individuals wanting to donate to MSABC may now do so via the Foundation and receive a tax receipt for their generosity. To date, no money has been taken out of the fund. These monies create a solid legacy for future projects as the Foundation has a much better interest rate than the term deposits we have and, if needed, the interest is available to us on a yearly basis.

6. NEW BUSINESS

A. Update on setting of the 2012/13 fees

Last year the membership approved the increased fee of \$38.00 due to the \$5.00 MSC increase (MSABC is absorbing \$2/member of the MSC increase). Then MSC asked for a delay of one year. Commencing September 1, 2012, the MSABC fees will increase to \$38.00.

B. Awards - To be recognized at the banquet

Clubs are urged to send in nominations for both the Stan Powell and Ted Simpson awards for next year. The Board will then make the final decision after discussing the nominations.

Discussion took place on how to encourage this. Some ideas were:

- a) set a specific date for nominations
- b) announce this at the preceding banquet
- c) encourage the club executives to talk to their teams
- d) include the nomination idea in the Meet Packages ,

e) during the banquet, include the names of the nominees and then the winner (if there are more than one nominee for that given year)

a) Achievement

Ted Simpson Trophy - Rod Carmichael (Vic Masters)

b) Service

Stan Powell Award - Glen Mehus (Wine Country Masters)

c) League Trophy

* will be decided after the Comox meet

d) Champions Trophy

Victoria Masters

e) Meet Managers - MSABC vintage wine (red or white)

North Shore (cancelled) - Khosro Mansuri

Okanagan Wine Fest - Laura Garrett

Vernon - Sharon Slater

UBC - Elaine Van Oosten

Penticton - Cathy Sheehan

Nanaimo - Nancy Ryan

English Bay - Kevin Foster/Khosro Mansuri

Provincials - Cam Ross/Rosemary Lawrence

Comox - Heather Ney

C. Medium and Large Club Awards

Once again, the goal for the awards is to increase friendly competition and there has been a noted increase this year. The large team award will go to the clubs with 71 + members and the medium team award will go to the club with 70 or less members. The winner of each award will receive a trophy for that year and then receive either a keeper trophy or a pool banner at the following Provincial Banquet. The banner brings visual recognition of Masters swimming into the public eye. Teams will be given the choice of either a banner or a keeper trophy based on what their pool will allow as some pools do not allow banners.

D. ELECTION OF OFFICERS

The MSABC Board for 2012/2013 is as follows:

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| a. President | Gilles Beaudin - English Bay | (1 year remaining) |
| b. Past President | now vacant | (a 1 year term) |
| c. Vice President | John McManus - Navy | (new 2 year term) |
| d. Treasurer | Keith Kendal - Vic Masters | (new 2 year term) |
| e. Secretary | Nancy Ryan - Nanaimo Ebbtides | (1 year remaining) |
| f. Registrar | Len Martel - Vic Masters | (1 year remaining) |
| g. Editor | Susan Simmons - Vic Masters | (new 2 year term) |
| h. Director at Large | Rod Carmichael - Vic Masters | (new 2 Year term) |
| i. Director at Large | Glen Mehus - Wine Country | (1 year remaining) |

E .QUESTION PERIOD

1) The Bulletin was discussed. The new format will be on the website with tabs eg coming meets, stories submitted from clubs etc. There will be a link sent out once a month. The idea is that the Home Page of our website will have more general information and the Bulletin will have newsy items submitted from different clubs. It is apparent that members have missed the Bulletin and are in favor of a more current social media format.

2) Khosro Mansuri brought up the question of coaches receiving money to attend Swim BC clinics. Keith let the membership know that MSC is going through a major transformation this year and one of their main goals is to provide an adult oriented program for coaches. The Board feels that the Swim BC clinics are more age group related and not adult related.

3) Brent Hobbs inquired about the methodology of the pool measurements needed for world record attempts. There seems to be a lack of standardization. Discussion took place. This decision is out of our hands as it is a SNC and possibly a FINA decision.

E. ADJOURNMENT

The Annual General Meeting was adjourned at 4:35 pm by Claudia Sperling..

Respectfully submitted by:

Nancy Ryan, Secretary

Gilles Beaudin, President