

## **Board of Directors Meeting**

**Saturday, October 27, 2007  
9:15am – 4:00 pm**

**Sunday, October 28, 2007  
9:00am – 2:00pm**

### **AGENDA**

#### **Saturday**

**Present:**

**Don Miller, Ian Allen, Mike Nickerson, Mike Lorusso, Glen Terrilon, Norm Scott, Michele Curley, Rosemary Nickerson, Trudy Kemper, Ken Davidson, Darcy Morris, Greg Harasemow, Frank Ball, Jim Troy, Cindi Borsoi, Chris Bolton, Sarah Kudaba, Heidi Light, Wendy Jordan-Olive, Joanna Linardis, Brenda Krueger.**

1. Comments – Meeting called to order 9:20am
  - 1.1 Welcome to New Board Members- presentation of Board Manuals
  - 1.2 Don made the following appointments to the Board:
    - 1.2.1 Sarah Kudaba – Coaches Rep
    - 1.2.2 Ian Allen – Past President
  - 1.3 Director of Marketing – Don received a notification of resignation from Claude Desrosier. Don Miller has asked Neil Wuolle to replace Claude Desrosier as a Director on the Board of Directors. The process is a Board appointment to fulfill the remaining term for this position. Election for this position will be at the AGM 2008.
  - 1.4 **Motion to appoint Neil Wuolle to the position of Director of Marketing to fulfill the remaining of the term for this position.**

**Ian Allen/ Brenda Krueger**

Discussion: Is there a process in place to appoint a replacement Director to ensure the appointed person is in good standing?

**Motion: to go in-camera .**

**Cindi Borsoi/Norm Scott**

**Motion: to come out of camera.**

**Mike Nickerson/Frank Ball**

Others that are interested: Michelle Mulholland

**Motion to ratify the appointment of Neil Wuolle as a Director of Marketing**

**For remaining of term to the AGM 2008.**

**Greg Harasemow/Frank Ball**

**CARRIED**

**Abstained: Ken Johnston, Trudy Kemper**

2. Review Minutes of the April 2007 Board Meeting  
**Motion to adopt these minutes as presented**  
**Cindi Borsoi / Darcy Morris**  
**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

3. Business Arising
  - 3.1 Constitution Committee – Discipline Funding Committee – T. Dixon  
Don Miller will speak with Tony Dixon to confirm if he is still willing to chair this committee and will report back at the January Board Meeting
  - 3.2 History Committee – I. Allen  
Ian is working on the history and bringing in other people that helped put information together for the 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration.  
Presidents award 2006 – recipient of award was Frank Gruen and we will make a presentation to him on Sunday.
  
4. Director of Competitions Frank Ball
  - 4.1 2007 Provincials Summary – Rosemary handed out the Expenses/Revenues and reviewed the outcome. Reminding Board members the increase in travel distance, travel costs and accommodations that are a reality when traveling to the Cariboo. The people of Prince George and the Aquatics staff were absolutely great!  
Provincials went relatively well.  
Downside: email from a person stating the BCSSA is the most rude and obnoxious organization due the loudness of the group was that was out to dinner at the Restaurant he attended for dinner.  
Thank you to Prince George for the wonderful Saturday Night Dinner that a lot of Clubs and Regions had the opportunity to attend. It was great!!!
  
  - 4.2 2008 Provincials Report on Trail – Rosemary and Frank  
Planning for Trail. Strong Organizing Committee. Hotel Reservations are made. Looking into the possibility to have a dinner on the Saturday night .  
Greg H. Confirming Pool Contract for Trail has come out to and Rosemary has received it.  
Received funding from Columbia Basin Trust for Electronics. And a Reader Board to remain in Trail Pool as a legacy.  
  
A Hurdle: Seating . We need scaffolding to go over wading pool. Looking for alternative resources to get lumber donated. The company that first committed to supplying is not longer in business there.  
  
A Concern: Depth of pool for water polo was being stated to be a concern This is to confirm that it is over 3.8 M deep. to 1.3M at shallow end. So.... Talk it up... the pool is a standard size pool. Some Water Polo will be run in Castlegar ( about 20 min away).  
Places to say: Nelson, Castlegar, Rossland, RV Parking Rosemary will get a list posted on our web site under Provincial 2008 ASAP!  
Ian reminds all that Provincials was always been in the Lower-mainland for so long.  
When we went to Trail for the first time, it was great! Trail will open their arms to you. Very friendly people. They did a lot to make people comfortable and feel welcomed to their area. Delighted to see we are scheduled to be going to all Regions.  
Chris Boulton. - Synchro – Likes the two day format for Provincials .  
Frank – Rosemary and I will be organizing something to celebrate our 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary !!!!

And will also celebrate, in Fraser Valley in 2009, to begin our " next 50 Years" to allow our past members to attend a celebration of this scope.

Cindi : Does committee review the costs and cutting of costs on a regular bases. Answer is yes the committee does try to its best to what is the best for the organization while reviewing what the most cost efficient way of doing it.

#### 4.3 Assignment of Responsibilities/Provincials 2008

Regional Directors met at lunch time to decide the Assignments

The Tentative List is as Follows:

<b>1. Awards</b>	<b>Vancouver District</b>
<b>2. Clerking and Marshalling (Rosemary Nickerson – Chief Clerk , will provide support and schedule)</b>	<b>Van Isand / Okanagan</b>
<b>3. Crash Desk/ Computer Input/Recording Table (Greg Giles Chief Recorder, help from Orange pins from other Regions)</b>	<b>Fraser Valley/ FaserSouth</b>
<b>4. Photo copying Heat and Final Sheets And Runners</b>	<b>Okanagan</b>
<b>5. Inside/Doors/Spectator/Outside Security And RV Parking</b>	<b>Cariboo/Kootneys</b>
<b>6. Prepare and Distribute Deck Food</b>	<b>Simon Fraser</b>
<b>7. Purchase and Supply Deck Food Monday thru Sunday (7Days)</b>	<b>Kootneys</b>
<b>8. Electronic Timing</b>	<b>Fraser Valley/Fraser South</b>
<b>9. Timing</b>	<b>ALL Regions</b>
<b>10. Swimming Medal Presentations</b>	<b>Van. &amp; District</b>
<b>11. Site Clean up and Garbage Collection Looking for alternatives with all regions being responsible Current schedule is as follows:</b>	
<b>Mon – thurs</b>	<b>All Regions</b>
<b>Friday</b>	<b>Kootneys</b>
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>Okanagan, Cariboo, Fraser South</b>
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>Fraser Valley/Simon Fraser</b>

#### 4.4 List of the next 8 Provincials

**2008 – Kootenay – Trail**  
**2009 – Fraser Valley**  
**2010 – Okanagan**  
**2011 – Fraser South**

**2012 – Vancouver Island**  
**2013 – Simon Fraser**  
**2014 - Cariboo**  
**2015 – Vancouver and District**

4.5 Medals. – We have chosen to use 3 different medals to rotate every three years to save costs. Therefore if there are any remaining after provincials we can use them 3 years down the road. We are also ensuring not to much is left over with Record plaques by not attaching date and using a plate instead. The date goes on the small plate and the plate is attached to the plaque. Therefore any plaques remaining from one year can be used the next.

## 5. Director of Finance

**Mike Lorusso**

### 5.1 Income & Expense Statement

Mike discussed statement. BC Championship currently showing \$127,988. in expenditures. Please keep in mind this includes some prepayments made for Provincials 2008 which includes a very large amount to hold Hotel Rooms for the Board.

Direct Access: We did not meet criteria for Direct Access for 2007 but will reapply for 2008.

Insurance costs: there was a notice put forth to raise fees for 2008-2009 to cover D & O Insurance costs.

Newsletter: costs appear to have dropped significantly for this, however it is just reflecting the later date of editions. The newsletters are now scheduled to be published after each Board Meeting to allow us to carry information from the Board Meetings to the homes of our members .

Other – In regards to the previous 2005 Letter from Sports BC to BCSSA, regarding direct funding for Synchro, Diving and Waterpolo, we now require to apply directly to the Provincial Sports Organizations (PSO's) for funding to develop our other three aquatics. In order to do this Sports BC has advised us to negotiate a "Fee For Contract" agreement where by our three aquatic directors continue with their existing partnership and send a formal letter requesting funding from the PSO's explaining what BCSSA does to develop "that" sport throughout BC. I advise that they show a budget showing where the funds have been used in the past and what they will require for the next fiscal year. I have spoken to Jon Cain in the office and we will work together with the directors to put together an application letter for them. I encourage the Directors to give this their immediate attention as the PSO's are beginning to work on their budgets for 08-09 fiscals.

5.2 Office changes – All accounting functions will come to the Office which will allow all information to be at hand. Signing Authority will need to change. A Directors resolution is needed for the Board of Directors to give authority for Signing. Suggestion is:

President and Vice President as “A” signing authorities and Jon and Janet as “B” signing authorities. This means that one of the two signing must always be an “A” Authority .

5.3 Swim with Arthritis – Sarah has offered to help promoting .

MikeLoruss has asked that all Regions speak with him should you need information.

Mike also asks that all Regional Directors bring this information to each and every Club.

**Motion to accept the Financial Statements as Dated**

**Mike Lorusso / Darcy Morris**  
**CARRIED unanimous.**

**6. Vice President**

**Mike Nickerson**

- 6.1 Registration Forms – as tabled from last meeting  
Currently the Registration Forms do not come to the Board Office. They are stored at the Club level now. Old forms need to be destroyed.  
It is confirmed to destroy old forms by shredding
- 6.2 Strategic Plan Update –

**Motion to move into committee of a whole.**

**Mike Nickerson / Norm Scott**  
**Carried**

**Motion to come out of committee of a whole**  
**Mike Nickerson/Joanna Linardis**

Discussion as per in committee of a whole.

- 6.3 Proposed rule changes – swimming/water polo – to be distributed
- 6.4 BC Northern Games Exemption  
Applying for an exemption – The games are only available to the Cariboo Region.  
**Motion to grant exemption for the Cariboo Region to attend the BC Northern Games**  
**Mike Nickerson/Frank Ball**  
**Motion Carried unanimously**
- 6.5 Other – Storage area being built in office will replace the outside storage we are currently renting.
- 6.6 Rules and Regs Committee – Mike Nickerson, Tony Dixon, Trudy Kemper, Frank Ball asks for volunteers.  
Darcy Morris and Norm Scott has volunteered to sit on that committee.  
There are a number of proposals for rule changes. It is asked that the Regional Directors to take back to their Regions and be prepared at the January Board to vote on these Rule changes.  
Discussion to have our Rule Book come more inline with SNC Rule Book  
Common statement : “giving unfair advantage” Needs to be removed from the Rule book . We would like this concept changed to” these are the Rules of the Meet”.  
Please see attached proposals for Rule changes under Motions in these minutes.  
Motion to come forth Sunday.
- 6.7 Request for a mechanism to post meet results Province Wide has come forward from many regions.  
What is the wishes of the Board?  
Discussion:  
Ken Davidson: Central Location is a good ideal.  
Darcy Morris: Swim BC uses Swim Direct.  
Sarah Kudaba: Coaches are all in support. Would ask all Regions to promote to all clubs.  
Mike Nickerson will bring forward a motion on Sunday. To have tabled to allow to go back to clubs for feed back.  
Darcy Morris: reminds all of the benefits
- 6.8 Team points at Provincials : Discussion

Sarah Kudaba: Coaches want to see Club Points. Timing is a sticky situation. Some want it every day, some at the end of the meet.

Frank Ball: History; Club points were abolished in 1992 to eliminate clubs walking around Provincials boasting their points during the meet. May consider producing them after Provincials.

Wendy Jordan-Olive: Her clubs prefer going to Provincials as a Region and concentration being placed on the Regions points

Darcy Morris: It is a competition: clubs use it as a tool to present awards as they base total points achieved to make up award presentations at their club level

Norm Scott: Does not support. The Region should be concentrating on going to Provincials as a Region

Ian Allen: Supports the Region going as a Region. Perhaps posting the Club points after the Meet on the web would be acceptable.

Sarah Kudaba: Supports them being available at the end of the meet.

Glen Terrilon: Would support having them available at the end of the Meet

Mike Nickerson will be bringing a motion forward.

6.9 Should we swim Consolation Finals for ALL events at Provincial?

Frank Ball: this would add about 10 minutes to the length of the meet. This would allow all swimmers to have the opportunity to swim Consolations.

Trudy Kemper: Those that care will show up.

Sarah Kudaba: If I get a second chance I may not swim as fast in the heats. Would like to get input from Coaches and Clubs.

Don Miller: Is the thought to be equitable to all swimmers?

6.10 Qualifying from Regionals to Provincials – except – you do not have to go to Regionals to swim on a Relay only at Provincials. Should not ALL swimmers need to qualify at Regionals?

Historically we qualify a team/club as a Relay Team not an individual.

It allows a benefit of all teams to get to swim at Provincials. It allows for that 4<sup>th</sup> swimmer that gets sick, be replaced by an attendee at Provincials that may not have swam at Regionals. It is a real benefit for the smaller clubs.

We are satisfied that this continues. The Team has qualified at Regionals.

6.11 Directors and Officers Insurance – We paid this insurance for all member clubs this past year. Should we continue?

Heidi Light – her Region is very much interested in continuing

Norm Scott– there is still some clubs that have not signed up with the Provincial Board Insurance Package.

Ken Davidson – As a Director, he requires any board he is on, to be a mandatory coverage. If a club does not have coverage, they should not be allowed to be a member of this association.

Norm Scott – will forward a list to all Regional Directors to indicate which clubs from their Region is not signed up.

Mike Nickerson - to bring Motion forward a motion to purchase Director and Officials Insurance.

## 7. Director of Synchro

**Christopher Boulton**

- 7.1 Report – Has learned quite a bit in the last 26 days!!! Is truly committed to this position. Vested interest.... His daughter!!! To raise the profile of Synchronized Swimming throughout the Province. And to promote the volunteerism by promoting the benefits. Approached Synchro BC about amalgamating their Recreational Synchro swimmers with our clubs.

My main goal for the foreseeable future is to increase the profile and therefore the participation in Synchronized swimming within the member clubs of BCSSA.

- 7.2 Wants to change Winter Maintenance practise times for Synchro from 2 hours to 2 ½ hours to incorporate the Recreational Synchro programs. A reminder that Winter Maintenance can go to a total of 4 hours of combined participation. Glen: we need to open up for more competitions for these other sports to try to grow their sports. Ie diving, synchro, water polo.
- 7.3 I want to "partner" with Synchro BC in order to allow their RECREATIONAL winter swimmers to join BCSSA summer synchro programs. My hope is that this will give our existing clubs a boost in participants for summer 2008. A few minor rule changes are required to facilitate this and have been submitted in principle. (with the kind assistance of VP Mike Nickerson.)
- 7.4 Judges training has begun although the number of parent committed to taking the training was disappointing, I believe we are heading in the right direction toward the goal of having our own BCSSA judging panels for future Synchro meets. Because of the technical nature of judging, particularly at the higher levels the program may take a few years to mature.
- 7.5 Would like to see an increase in Synchro demonstrations at Swimming meets. The goal here is to attract swimmers and parents to the sport.

**Motion to move into the committee of a whole.**

**Joanna Linardis/Darcy Morris**

**Carried.**

**Motion to come out of committee of a whole.**

**Joanna Linardis/Brenda Kreuger**

**Carried**

**Opposed: Mike Nickerson**

**Motion to go back into committee of a whole**

**Mike Nickerson/Frank Ball**

**Carried**

**Motion to come out of committee of a whole**

**Joanna Linardis/Frank Ball**

**Carried unanimously**

Michele Curley circulated a correspondence letter from Crescent Beach Club regarding Synchro and in particular the holding of Provincials for Synchro in the lower mainland.

## **8. Director of Officials**

**Trudy Kemper**

- 8.1 Report - I am a little concerned about my job description but will endeavor to do at the Provincial Level that I did at the Region Level. Have fun and grow together.
- 8.2 Has received disk of archives from Tony Dixon to refer to for many resources. Would like some history of all the disciplines and how each was developed. Tony has done a lot of good work and Trudy will work hard at filling the expectations of this position.

- 8.3 Dates tentatively set for the Directors of Officials Meeting February 23 and 24, 2008

## 9. Registrar

**Brenda Krueger**

- 9.1 Report on upcoming Registrar's Meeting Nov 24 & 25<sup>th</sup>, 2007.
- 9.1.1 Mike Girard will attend to review program and answer questions and concerns with Hy-tek Program. We have also asked our Water Polo, Synchro, and Diving Directors to attend.
- 9.2 Registration Results – 5306 is the total summer registration for 2007, which is down a bit from last year.
- 9.2 Motion: Will bring a motion forward to destroy Confidential, previous years' registration forms and set a policy to continue.  
Registrations from prior years to be shredded. Who does the Board have jurisdiction over. Do we have the ability to determine how information is handled at the club level? We do have control over what is done with data that comes to a Provincial level.
- Motion to go to committee of a whole**  
**Darcy Morris /Norm Scott**  
**Carried**  
**Motion to come out of committee of a whole.**  
**Ken Davidson/Norm Scott**

**NOTE: CLUB PRESIDENTS BE AWARE OF OUR PRIVACY POLICY FOR DATA STORAGE AND DISTRUCTION. POLICY IS POSTED ON OUR WEB SITE.**

## 10. Secretary

**Rosemary Nickerson**

- 10.1 Wavelength Article Deadline – NEW LOOK !! With Jon's help we are redesigning the look of the Wavelength.
- 10.1.1 Reports for the January Wavelength will come from Wendy Jordan-Olive for a Regional Report and Michele Curley on Electronic Stop Watches
- 10.2 Board and Club Contact Lists Deadline – Please submit info to Office ASAP. Without the correct information we can not contact appropriate people. This list is to include Coaches Reps for the Regions as well as Synchro / Water Polo and Diving Reps.
- 10.3 Next Board Meeting - Jan 25,26,27 changed to **( Jan 18,19,20)**
- 10.4 Other – All Motions and Reports to submitted ASAP Please.

## 11. Director of Member Services

**Cindi Borsoi**

Report- October 2007

Review of the annual Conflict Resolution/Harassment issues reveal a dramatic reduction in the incidents brought forward to the Board level.

Total number of contacts made:	23
Number referred back to the Club or Regional Director	22
Number of Harassment complaints investigated	01
Number of Educational Sessions Delivered	06*

(\* this number does not include the Boot-camp sessions)

This reflects a 50% reduction in the number of incidents over last year. I suggest much of this reduction can be attributed to the educational process last year and the pro-activeness of our respective member Clubs. The ongoing education and additional information available on the website will assist our members moving forward.

A review of the 2007 Accident/Incident reports - received (9) show no obvious trends beyond slips and trips on the pool deck. Several accidents required medical intervention and the investigations demonstrate thoughtful reflection on preventative actions. These incidents will continue to be reviewed at the Board level and any lessons learned will be cascaded back to our member Clubs.

The website remains a work in progress with the intent of having a new look and feel for the 2008 season. The ongoing feedback from our members continues to be supportive of this point of access and continue to request additional information be made available.

**Motion to move in camera**  
**Cindi Borsoi / Brenda Krueger**

**Motion to go back in session.**  
**Cindi Borsoi / Frank Ball**

Website – Rosemary Nickerson: to what stage have we come to on the development of Web Site?

Cindi Borsoi and Claude Desrosier have reviewed any incoming bids for development . Cindi asked for a volunteer to replace Claude on the Committee for Web site redesign as Claude has resigned from the Board.

Glen Terrilon has volunteered to join Cindi Borsoi, Mike Nickerson and Frank Ball, on that committee.

Rosemary Nickerson: Suggests perhaps bring Jon Cain, at the Office, in to help this committee . Perhaps his interest in this area will help to proceed in the process of development.

Don Miller will speak with Jon to inquire if he is interested in becoming involved with the development.

Michele Curley : asks if a Check list for all Regional directors could be developed and passed on to Club Presidents to ensure they are aware of items to be done on a yearly basis such as shredding documents etc

This will be passed on to Neil W to develop as a part of education.

Are there funds available to continue with the Boot Camp. Answer is yes. Be aware budgeted amounts are set to reflect this for 2007-2008 year.

How are we going to continue with the Boot Camp? Could we perhaps involve people at the Region level to perhaps put on smaller camps throughout the different Regions?

**Don Miller appointed Cindi Borsoi as the Privacy Officer .**

12. Director of Diving  
**Diving Report - Oct 2007**

Joanna Linardis

Summary of Last Season:

Provincials went smoothly, with North Vancouver Cruisers/Winter, Coquitlam, Port Moody, Trail

and Grand Forks all represented. The diving coach's meeting has brought light to a few alterations, and BCSSA has now revitalized a relationship with BC Diving.

The two day format was greatly appreciated by all coaches, and most parents. We will be continuing with the two day format at Provincials 2008.

We had 92 athletes registered with coaches last season and we are looking to double this number for next year.

We are going to continue working with BC Diving to get new programs started throughout the province. Their financial support was greatly appreciated, and we were happy to receive it. Beverley Boys also is helping us with BC Provincials next season and has committed to helping secure a diving board for the Championships in Trail 2008.

In addition, we have a commitment from BC Diving to continue their financial support. We will be working to further the PSOs. (Project applications!)

#### Projects on the go:

Attached is information that we would like you to take back to your Region and both your diving representative and coaches for feedback. There are new degree of difficulties for some dives and dive changes which will take place for the 2008 season.

NOTE FOR ALL DIVING AFFILIATES: The PROVINCIAL MEET PACKAGE is the OFFICIAL MEET DIRECTIVE.

#### Feedback and Exemptions:

The coaches have requested to have exemptions for the following diving competition and camps: January (early - around 2/3/4 pool confirmation pending) (3 day diving camp); December, February and March Recreational and Provincial diving competitions. The request is brought forth for three reasons: 1. In order to support BC Diving and the sport of diving in the Province and to encourage athletes to participate in all available diving community events in turn enlarging our program and increasing the skill level of diving throughout the province. 2. The coaches feel as though the season is short, and with only three to four programs in the Lower Mainland this will allow for athletes to continue their sport maintenance. 3. The judges require additional diving competitions to help with their development and BC Diving would like to educate the BCSSA diving judges as well.

#### BC Summer Games 2008 Kelowna and area:

The ages for the BC Games are C & B group divers. It is important if there are questions about the ages of these divers, you contact BC Diving and your diving representative (regional representative). Rules can be found at the BC Games website, under the sport specific area "Diving."

[http://www.bcgames.org/your\\_sport\\_rules\\_book\\_intro\\_summer.asp?Department=diving](http://www.bcgames.org/your_sport_rules_book_intro_summer.asp?Department=diving)

All of the diving rules and regulations are listed on the WEBPAGE, please make reference to the official.

#### Desire to have a BCSSA Provincial Training Camp SUMMER 2008:

#### NEW JOINT VENTURE!

We will be working towards having a BCSSA Diving Camp in JULY. This will include all of the

divers in the Province who will also be qualified for the BC Games. It will be a great team building camp and a wonderful brainstorming workshop for coaches as well. The camp will be held in Vancouver, times will follow as soon as they are confirmed as well.

BC DIVING WINTER 2008 \*(JAN 2 - 4):

BC Diving will have a sport specific Training Camp, January 2-4 for all divers...You will need to contact me, jlinardis@hotmail.com, or Bev Boys at BC Diving info@bcdiving.ca. This will be a CADA (winter diving) event, however divers are invited to participate with a registration form.

Updates - Diving Programs:

I have been working to help diving programs develop in the Province. HOWEVER, it has been a LEARNING Experience.

There have been challenges. In order for diving to continue to build a partnership with BC Diving, and diving in general, we will need to work on development of our sport throughout the pool.

FRASER VALLEY: Request received from Fraser Valley Diving (CADA program) ... it is attached as well... please review this, as they have tried to go to meetings last year to get a program started in the region and did not have any luck with it, I am bringing it forward to the Provincial Board to request help for this program to start up in the Fraser Valley (Langley, Walnut Grove). There is NO hidden agenda, and I would very much like to support this program. They have a lot to offer to both the BCSSA in general and the Sport of Diving. They promote athlete, coach and judge development in the sport of diving. BC diving is in support of this as well, and they are happy to speak to the program if you desire at the January board meeting.

FRASER SOUTH: Crescent Beach will be looking at trying again to have their program start in the Summer as well. Beverly Boys has been speaking directly to them. IF there are others interested in hosting a diving program please, please let me know and we will work together to start a program.

SIMON FRASER: Coquitlam Sharks is looking for coaches, as Rachel is in Calgary working on becoming a Senior National Diver.

KOOTENAYS: Kootenays will have a program assistant coach in the summer as the program has taken off! Community support is an integral part in the success of the program in Trail Parks and Recreation. Haley Harasemow is working on her coaching certifications, and we hope to have a few more athlete coaches involved as well.

VANCOUVER & DISTRICT: North Vancouver will continue to work with Carolyn Anderson.

OKANGAN & CARIBOO: Lets chat Regional Directors...HELP ME TO HELP YOU...

TO ALL REGIONAL DIRECTORS: could you please forward your information to your diving directors, EARLY. I would like to encourage you to get written permission upon hiring your under age coaches, so that we may share the contact list with all diving programs.

Coaching & Judging:

In the Spring, we hope to have another Level 1/2 coaching course. It is our hope that we are able to offer a Judges workshop offered either at the Diving Camp or on a Thursday night prior

to the summer program starting.

Furthermore, I will be speaking with both the coaches rep, Sarah and the officials rep, Trudy to work together to unify the "speed swimming" group and the sport specific group.

We hope to have three Judge/Official training in the new year. TENTATIVELY: Lower Mainland (2), and the Kootenays (1).

#### REGIONAL DIRECTORS:

NOTE: I would like to add to your "Dive Entries for Provincials" to bring the Provincial Trophies to PROVINCIALS or delegate someone to be responsible to have those entries there.

There has been some interest expressed for me to attend some Regional board meetings. I will make arrangements with those of you who are interested, but note: I NEED LOTS OF NOTICE!!

#### TROPHIES:

The REGIONAL Trophy needs to be replaced. It has been broken for a long time, and we would like to replace it.

#### PLEASE BE AWARE:

The dive sheets, degree of difficulty sheets and the entry forms for the 2008 SEASON will be from the Dive Meet Package and will be available on line before April. PLEASE NOTE: There will be no exceptions with the DD Sheet. We have SUMMER DEGREE OF DIFFICULTY for ALL BCSSA diving competitions. NO EXCUSES.

If you can not attach an athlete to a club level how do we work at getting athletes involved? There has been some resistance in some regions.

Joanna asks for help from Regional Directors . The problem seems to be getting the parent volunteer to manage the new component.

Remember that when a Diving component attaches to a club/region , there must be a Regional Meet to go on to Provincials.

Joanna is willing to help approach Aquatic Facilities to help attain pool time.

Also she will help you through the process of hiring a Diving coach or providing the needs to the athletes.

### **13. Director of Water Polo**

#### 13.1 Report

**Jim Toy**

#### **Director of Waterpolo Report - October 2007**

The last few years were focusing on developing a system for our Water Polo officials. We have the following in place:

- Minor Officials course
- Referee Officials course
- Data base of referee
- Up grading check list

Some of the questions I received was how the officials pins are to be pass to the various referees. We should be following similar proceed as swimming.

- Orange and green pin order by Water polo directors
- Red and Lt Blue pin by Regional water polo directors
- Dark Blue – Provincial Director of Water Polo

These pins can be order through the office.

The Water Polo section of Provincials ran relatively well. Out of last year Provincials I have suggested some rule changes.

I Also would like to suggest that we create a new age group P5. This would ensure a few things:

- a partnership with this sports PSO
- Increase the involvement of players coming back to BCSSA
- Allows for an additional pool of referees at Provincials
- Allows for mentorship for players and referees

#### Proposed Age Group Change for 2008 – Draft

1. Add a new age group – P5
2. Open category with no age restriction
3. For players who are currently in-eligible to play BSSA Water Polo under our current player restriction
4. Suggest Regional Teams
5. Unique rules:
  - Do not need to play during the season (clubs may not have enough pool time to run additional tournaments for this age group, although they may)
  - Need to reside in their region 6 month prior to our first registration date (May 1)
  - Teams do not need to have Regionals
6. Suggest a one year try basis

P5 – no age restriction. Allows those ( National) players that perhaps went to youth nationals, etc.

- Allows for more referees at Provincials.
- Will play at Provincials
- Will be required to give back to the Association by coaching and refereeing
- Opens the doors for application to the PSO for funding.
- This division is strictly for ineligible P 1 – 4 Players
- Number of teams ... possibly 4 teams to start with.
- Question: If it is a Regional Team, the rule changes for them in regards to qualifying at a Regional Meet to participate at Provincials.
- Suggestion that that team has a Demo at a Regional Meet.
- We could use these National players to
- How many of these players are going to be Certified?
- Most of these players are Referees therefore will extend the pool of Referees to use at Provincials
- Master swimmers in Div 8 – some are there to compete some are there as they are parents of current swimmers

- Correspondence on Water Polo from the Fraser South Region - was circulated by Michele Curley to discuss what they felt to be sub standard equipment and refereeing at Provincials 2008.

The Board spoke to the issues and suggestions were made that perhaps we can circulate the information when we are unable to supply a certain standard of equipment. We should put that information out to the member clubs to determine if there is someone that can supply other means. It is reminded that costs of transportation and availability of equipment also are taken into consideration.

- In regards to the Referees – We bring up referees to Provincials that are trained and available. It has been duly noted through many Board meetings, that we are working towards having trained officials in ALL of our Aquatic Sports that are BCSSA trained officials. We are working towards ALL Officials going to Provincials to be handled the same for all sports as part of our members.

- We must continue to communicate with our members, the processes in place to continue forward to achieve this goal.

**Motion to go in camera**

**Greg Harassemow / Frank Ball**

**Motion to go back into session.**

**Frank Ball / Norm Scott**

#### **14. Coaches' Representative**

**Sarah Kudaba**

##### 14.1 Report

#### **Theme : Beyond the Pool BCSSA Coaches Representative Report Sarah Kudaba**

First, I would like to say how excited I am to be taking on the Coaches Rep. position this year! As a committee we have already been communicating about what our goals are going into the season ahead, and have started preparing ourselves for what hopes to be an amazing 2008 season.

1. Provincials 2007- please see Ryan Corbett's attached report/recap.
2. Coaches Committee 2008
  - Conference Chair: Sheree Palmer
  - Secretary: Thom Brennan
  - Members at Large: Dave Geary, Brian Hobbs, Lisa (from Kamloops)
3. Coaches Committee Goals:
  - 3.1 To organize a well-rounded and educational conference for the swim coaches in the province.
    - A. Try to get 80 coaches to attend the conference.
    - B. Provide education to each coach that is relevant to the level of swimming they are coaching, and to the level of coaching that they are at.

- C. Provide the coaches with the tools necessary to start and complete a successful summer swim season.
  - D. Create a community within the coaches; not just region wide, but province wide.
  - E. Set provincial coaching goals, that will be brought forth and evaluated at the coaches AGM.
- 3.2 To bridge the gap between the 4 disciplines (swimming, water polo, diving and synchro) of the BCSSA.
  - 3.3 Improve on the system or level of communication between coaches, the board, and regional reps.
  - 3.4 To use the resources that are available to the community of coaches within the province and the BCSSA.
  - 3.5 To create a strong and positive relationship between the board of directors, regional reps. and supporters of the BCSSA.

#### 4. 2008 Conference

4.1 Date: May 2-4<sup>th</sup>  
Location: TBA

- As a committee we would like to have it on a campus, i.e. UBC or SFU, where there is meeting rooms, accommodations, a pool, nearby restaurants, and places of social gatherings (uh hum.... a bar)

#### Theme: **Beyond the Pool: Thinking of the Future**

The idea of the conference is to base it on the Long Term Athlete Development or LTAD ([www.ltad.ca](http://www.ltad.ca))

- We are hoping to do stroke specific sessions, hopefully lead by some of BC's top coaches, where new techniques and teaching aids can be introduced.
- We also want to "go beyond the pool" and have sessions based on mental training, goal setting, DRYLAND, and practice planning for example, from established professionals.
- There will also be coaches' admin. Education sessions, as in Hytek training and Rule changes.
- We are hoping to have a very hands-on approach taken at this conference.

Key speakers have already been found, and plans are in the works! We are really trying to give the conference a very professional view, and will hopefully by doing this by good planning on our part, and hopefully support from seasoned coaches and professionals. Any support, contacts or suggestions from the board, clubs, or regions will be greatly appreciated.

#### Provincial Coaches Re-Cap

Submitted by Ryan Corbett (Former Coaches representative to the Board)

Generally speaking, the coaches were very pleased with yet another well run, successful provincials, and for that, I would like to extend a special thank-you to those board members who went well far above and beyond the normal parameters of volunteering (as well as all of the other volunteers who made the week a success).

When there was concern or controversy and coaches were involved, I know that the coaches felt as though they were listened too and given a opportunity to voice their opinions in a respectful fashion.

Areas that coaches identified (formally, or informally) for the board to address are as follows-

- 1) The calculation and subsequent posting of team points. There was a particular coaching who spear headed this effort and he received widespread support from coaches and club executive members. He has comprised a formal petition demonstrating this. There was some discussion and disagreement about how, when, and where results would be posted, but in generally coaches were for (at the very least) the availability of the information.
- 2) There was some discussion about the viability of setting a standard range for pool temperature, and stating so in the meet package for future meets. While it is unlikely that there would be total agreement on what the temperature should be, if it is clearly stated (as a range etc.) in the meet package, it was felt that this would serve to eliminate potential problems in future.

In closing, I would like to again thank the board members for their time and service, as it has been a pleasure (most of the time!) to work with you over the past two years.

15. Regional Director's Report  
15.1 **Vancouver & District**

**Glen Terrillon**

Everyone in the V&D region would like to congratulate the Provincial organizing committee, the Cariboo region and all of the volunteers from each club for putting on a fabulous championship in Prince George. 2007 was a very successful year for our region. Each of our discipline programs flourished and for each of these, the attendance in P.G. was very high with few swimmers not attending. Leading up to Provincials, the Lower Mainland civic strike, although posing logistical problems for any clubs, did not affect our end result.

Financially, we are still in a strong position. We have continued to expand and extend our equipment and electronics base. Each club have held their AGM and elected their executive and in turn, we have filled all of the regional executive positions.

We certified several coaches in 2007 and are in the process of arranging level 1 and 2 courses for 2008.

15.2 **Simon Fraser**

**Darcy Morris**

Simon Fraser Regional Report  
October 27, 2007

Our first year in the north for provincials went very well. There were a number adjustments made in how we prepared for the families to go. A little more planning was required along with a lot of cooperation between the families to ensure that as many people as possible could go. We

will be on the road again this year so the clubs will be even more organized. They will have to be as accommodations in the Trail area are less plentiful than Prince George.

We will be continuing with families checking in to confirm they are attending provincials once they have qualified. This takes some time but having the alternates know that they will have the opportunity to swim makes it worthwhile.

The use of Hytek provided opportunities to experiment with meet formats. A few lessons were learned the hard way. The use of 3 plungers was a great improvement. There were far less missed times, and the clustering of times appeared to be much tighter on average. The rule rounding up to the nearest 10<sup>th</sup> detracts from the labor savings. The value of this rule which has long since been discarded by Fina needs to be considered as none of the timing systems can accommodate this.

We continue to make changes to our format for regionals. After combining the A and B meets a couple years ago we went to a 2 and a half day meet last year. Based on attendance we will likely go to a 2 day format next year to reduce pool rental expenses.

I am looking forward to 2008 season.

### **15.3 Cariboo**

### **Heidi Light**

The members of the Cariboo region are pleased to have had the opportunity to host Provincials for the very first time in this region in 2007. Within our region, we are very grateful to the Prince George Pisces club for the phenomenal effort and time they put into preparing for this event. The club's organizing committee, board members, pool staff, and city staff collaborated to facilitate the countless details that are part of such a large undertaking. To the rest of the province, thank you for your support of this Provincial meet.

In the Cariboo, all the clubs are glad to have been implementing the Hy-Tek program for registration and swim meets. However, the problems that occurred at Provincials indicate that there is a need for further training and communication around the features of this tool. Within the region, concerns have been expressed around the timelines required for forwarding the entries for provincials, and the possibility of looking at creative solutions to address this issue. As well, the necessity for clear, two-way communication at all levels within this organization is a continuing area of need, especially when the allocation of roles within clubs and the region will undoubtedly change. In this region, many clubs are experiencing a turnover in presidents, executive members, or coaching staff for the next year.

In the south, the Quesnel club has a new president and a large number of new parents on the executive. They have a coach returning for next season and are currently running a winter maintenance program for the first time. Prince George has a new president as well, and is continuing to work on promoting water polo in the north. The Mackenzie Rainbows also have a new president, and have started various fund-raising initiatives. The money from these is targeted toward holding a meet next summer; after several years of not being able to do so.

Farthest north, the Fort Nelson Finns have a past president who is filling in and are pleased to have a stronger executive with more parents participating. They will be starting a winter maintenance program in November, and are happy to have their coach returning next year for the third consecutive season. The Fort St John club is one of the few with a returning president, but will not be running winter maintenance; the numbers are too low this year to subsidize it. As well, despite hours spent preparing, faxing, revising and re-faxing the gaming application by experienced members, the club did not receive the funds, and are looking for other avenues for funding resources. The Dawson Creek Seals also have a returning president for the time being. They too will not be running winter maintenance; however, the city does offer a program. This

club will be operating out of a new facility for the 2008 season, and will be hosting that year's Regional Meet. The new facility presents challenges to the club for securing pool times, as well as almost doubling their pool costs.

This new eight-lane, fifty meter pool will be hosting the swimming portion of the BC Northern Winter Games in February of the upcoming year. BCSSA members from the north have the chance to compete at this meet; it is perhaps one of very few multi-sport events that our young athletes have the opportunity to participate in.

Thank you to all BCSSA members and volunteers across the province who continue to work toward making this a positive organization.

#### 15.4 **Vancouver Island**

**Norm Scott**

VI Region is very quiet at this time with every one involved with winter maintenance and going through changes within their own clubs as to Club Executives. When we look at this we wonder has all information been passed onto the new club President or not. This reflects on what we had last year as to **Boot Camps**. We feel there is a need for these to continue in some shape or form. We will discuss at our next regional meeting to see if there is a rep that would chair a committee to correspond with the provincial rep and or give the leadership to our clubs when asked.

Coming the next weekend we will have our first Regional meeting for the Winter to where we will be discussing our next year schedule along with many other topics on the agenda. Being this my last year as Regional Director we have to start mentoring to whom wishes to step in the chair. Other than that we will be scheduling some of our clinics and focusing on our new upcoming year.

#### 15.5 **Okanagan**

**Ken Davidson**

New to position..... ummm.... Nothing to Report

#### 15.6 **Kootenay Regional Report**

**James Welychko**

Hello from the Kootenays. I'd like to introduce myself. My name is James Welychko, and I've been in the BCSSA for nearly 10 years as a parent/official. I swam in the 1980's with the Castlegar Aquanauts for 7 years and I had started swimming with the club again 5 years ago. I am truly looking forward to working with you all over the next couple of years. I'm sorry that I'm not there this weekend but I was unable to get the time off from work to join you at this meeting. I would like to thank Greg for subbing in for me this weekend. If everything goes right I'll see you all in January.

A quick recap for the Provincials seems to be in order. The Organizing Committee for the Provincials has been working hard for over a year already. We have gotten much done in that time and now we are getting into the fine details of hosting the event. We hope that this will be a fun event for all who come next year. Greg will be able to answer all your questions if you have any.

This year in our region, the Kimberley Seahorses had opened their new indoor facility and had their first meet in four years. And they did a fabulous job. This spring, Creston had voted for and approved a new arena facility and pool, so we are losing the Creston meet for this next

season. The Creston team is looking at perhaps working out with one of the other teams in the region for the summer while the new pool is being built. We will know more as the summer approaches.

We had our AGM on the 14<sup>th</sup> of October and we have a few new faces. I am looking forward to working with all those people in the coming year.

That's all for now.

**15.7 Fraser Valley**

**Wendy Jordon-Olive**

New to Board.... The Region has had one meeting and will bring Report to January Board Meeting. Regionals will be at the NEW Abbotsford pool in 2008

**15.8 Fraser South**

**Michelle Curley**

Big congratulations to the Provincial Organizing committee for running a successful 2007 Provincials. Approx. 150 people attended the dinner on the Saturday evening that was put on by the Prince George Pieces and the information back was very positive and well received. Thank you!

The Fraser South Region purchased the Dolphin Electronic Stop Watches for our 2007 season and are actively working on operational issues that came up during the season so that we can submit an article for the January Wavelength on the success and trouble shooting that was learned throughout the 2007 season. We have decided to sell our Touch Pads and the rest of the equipment we own (except the scoreboard) as most clubs have an alternate timing system with the pools they rent and/or they own their own, and the clubs do not all feel that they can afford to fix and upgrade the old equipment as the cost is too high. We are in the process of trying to sell the stuff we have, so if anyone is interested in picking up pieces for their existing please let us know.

I have received and submitted with this report, reports from our Syncro discipline as well as our Director of Water Polo. With this I would like to discuss Crescent Beach Swim Club's request to hold the Syncro section of the Provincials in the Lower Mainland.

It appears that after our 1<sup>st</sup> meeting of the 2008 season most clubs are well on their way to the coaching selections for 2008 as well as full executives for the most part. We look forward to a health winter full of great opportunities to make 2008 fantastic.

**16. Additional Business**

16.1 Provincials – Club & Regions Point Reporting

- Don Miller dreceived and email from Carol Gair re : Club Points.

16.2 Sunday – Presentation to Frank Gruen

**16.3 Motion to bring forward the tabled motion regarding the increase of entry fees to Provincial by \$1.00 per event.**

**Frank Ball / Mike Nickerson**

**CARRIED unanimously**

**MOTION that we increase entries to Provincials by \$1.00 per event.**

**Mike Nickerson/ Tony Dixon**

Discussion:

Heidi notices the phenomenal amount of work put in and understands the increase but feels perhaps individuals should also try to help more.

**MOTION CARRIED**

**Abstained: Wendy Jordan-Olive , Joanna Linardis**

Frank:

**Motion to bring forward the tabled motion to increase registration Fees up to \$5.00 per swimmer for the 2008 Summer / Winter Season**

**Frank Ball / Norm Scott**

The intent is to help cover the costs of D & O insurance.

**Motion to increase fees up to \$5.00 per swimmer for the 2008 Summer/Winter Season**

**Mike Nickerson / Frank Ball**

Norm – believes it incorporates the cost of all insurance.

Darcy – perhaps we need to look at our entire Budget to calculate what the increase should be to cover Provincial Costs as well

Frank – we have taken on the rotation of Provincials and the cost of Provincials will vary from place to place. We will be applying for Gaming Funds again this year which will help cover costs for 2008 Provincials.

Ken – suggestion to increase fees to run our organization instead of for an individual event.

Michele – justifying the increase to our D& O insurance would be easier to promote to the Region.

**MOTION CARRIED**

**Abstained: Darcy Morris**

16.4 ***O Cat 2 Swimmers – Provincials Events will be moved to after Div 6 events therefore Event numbers will change***

16.5

**Regional Directors are required to come back to the January Board Meeting prepared to set parameters for the following:**

1. Procedures, verification and timeline for submitting entries to Provincials
2. The consequences if Procedures and Timelines are not met.
3. The Program
4. Training and development of producing the submissions and documentation required for entries to Provincials, with the Program operators and Regional Directors in each region.
5. Comments on how to handle “adjustments”.
6. Responsibilities of the Regional Directors

**Reminder: Regionals does not end until submission to Provincials is completed correctly.**

## MOTIONS

**#1. Motion to close the current BC Summer Swimming Association Financial Accounts held with HSBC Vancouver Branch and seek a new Financial Institution which have good rates and which meet the needs of the BCSSA Banking needs.**

**Mike Lorusso / Frank Ball**

**CARRIED Unanimously**

**#2. Motion to remove Anne Grover as the cheque signing authority, keep Don Miller ( President of BCSSA) and add Mike Nickerson ( Vice President of BCSSA). Also Janet Goebel ( BCSSA Office Staff) and Jon Cain ( BCSSA Office Staff) are to be added as the subordinate signatures to this account.**

**Mike Lorusso / Frank Ball**

**CARRIED unanimously**

**#3. Motion to make the following Rule Changes for 2008**

1. Administration Section, page 1

Remove 2<sup>nd</sup> paragraph "These rules and regulations have been adopted to ensure that no one competitor gains unfair advantage over another."

2. Administration Section, page 31 (Section 8.A.5)

Remove "...but must not disadvantage any competitors."

3. Swimming Section page 19 and 20 (Section 2.D.1 and 2)

Change D. "Disadvantaged Swimmers" to "Interference"

Change 1. "Fouled in a Final" to "Interference in a Final"

Suggested Wording "If in the opinion of the referee, there is interference to one or more swimmers, the race shall be reswum with all swimmers taking part, except those disqualified. ....The reswim shall be unnecessary only if all the swimmers (those who were interfered with and otherwise) ....."

Change 2 "Fouled in a Preliminary Heat or Time Final" to "Interference in ....."

Suggested Wording "If in the opinion of the referee, there is interference to one or more swimmers, the referee shall arrange a reswim:

For a) b) and c) replace "fouled" with "interfered"

Add "or d) By reswimming all the swimmers."

4. Administration Section, page34 (Section 9.A.1.)

Add “e) A competitor may enter only 4 individual events, 2 club relays and 1 regional relay.”

5. Swimming Section 5.F pages 34 – 6

Insert new j) “When a club enters 2 relay teams in any one event and both teams advance to the finals, no interchange of personnel of the 2 teams may be made for the finals.”

Renumber j) to k)

6. Administration Section 9.A.2.b page 35

Change b) to “Replacements and Alternates”

New “i) From Regionals, replacements may be made for the top 3 qualifiers from the top swimmers placing 4<sup>th</sup> or lower from a Regional Championship Event Final (see chart below)”

“renumber I) and ii) to ii) and iii)”

Insert the following chart

**REPLACEMENTS AND ALTERNATES**

Only swimmers who qualify as the 1st, 2nd or 3rd place finishers from the Regional Championship Finals are eligible to be replaced.

*Examples*

**6 lane pool**

Place	Ex1 No PQT	Ex2 No PQT	Ex3 PQT	Ex4 PQT
1st	1st	not going	1st PQT	1st PQT
2nd	2nd	1 <sup>st</sup>	2nd PQT	not going
3rd	3rd	not going	3rd PQT	2nd PQT
4 <sup>th</sup>	1st alt	2 <sup>nd</sup>	4th PQT	# not going
5th	2nd alt	3rd	1st alt	3rd PQT
6 <sup>th</sup>	-	1st alt	2nd alt	4th PQT#
		no 2nd alternate		no alternates

**8 lane pool**

Place	Ex1 No PQT	Ex2 No PQT	Ex3 PQT	Ex4 PQT
1st	1	not going	1st PQT	1st PQT
2nd	2nd	1st	2nd	PQT not going

3rd	3rd	not going	3rd PQT	2nd PQT
4th	1st alt	2nd	4th PQT	# not going
5th	2nd alt	3 <sup>rd</sup>	5th PQT	# 3rd PQT
6 <sup>th</sup>	-	1st alt	1st alt	4th PQT#
7 <sup>th</sup>	-	not going	2nd alt	5th PQT#
8 <sup>th</sup>	-	2nd alt	-	1 <sup>st</sup> alt

7. Administration Section 8.A.7 page 31

Add “ The age division for all swimmers and alternates must be entered on the Official Relay Entry form.” after the first sentence of 7.

8. Administration Section 9.A.1 page 34

Add “e. For club and regional relays, 4 swimmers and up to 2 alternates must be listed on the Official Relay Entry Form. The age division for all swimmers and alternates must be entered on the Official Relay Entry form. The form must be submitted by the deadline on the day of the event, in order to be checked for eligibility by the Regional Registrar. Disqualifications will result where it is confirmed that an improperly constituted team swum. If one of the listed swimmers is ineligible to swim, a listed alternate may replace that swimmer to participate prior to the team reporting to the clerk.

9. Administration Section 8.A.8 page 32

Remove this statement.

10. Administration Section 9.5

Replace with “All entries must be submitted to the BCSSA Office by the date (and time) indicated in the Provincial meet Package.”

11. Administration Section 9.A.3.b page 36

Renumber b) to “c)”

12. Administration Section 2.A.3 page 13

Add “g) participate in the swimming competition in the Northern BC Winter Games.”

13. Swimming Section 1.C.12 page 9

Add “if used” at end of statement.

14. Swimming Section 1.C.14 page 10.

Add “if used” at end of first sentence.

**Mike Nickerson / Frank Ball**

**Motion to table to the January 2008 Board Meeting**

**Mike Nickerson / Frank Ball**  
**CARRIED unanimously**

**#4. Motion to approve the following :**

1. Move to purchase a subscription to Team Manager on-line for 1year(to allow for posting of meet results throughout the province)
2. Move to publish team points for Provincials on-line
3. Move to swim consolation finals for individual events at Provincials
4. Move to Purchase D & O insurance for all member clubs.
5. Move that it is mandatory to sign up for D & O Insurance
6. Move all member clubs must sign up for BCSSA D & O coverage and/or must submit proof of equal or better D & O Insurance by April 1<sup>st</sup>
7. Move to change Bylaw Part 7 Duties of Officers Sub section 49 Delete  
Replace with Director of Education with the following duties to develop and deliver educational policies and programs.

**Mike Nickerson / Frank Ball**

**Motion to table to January 2008 Board Meeting and to be voted on individually at that time.**

**Norm Scott / Frank Ball**  
**CARRIED unanimously**

**#5. Motion to ensure the previous year's registration forms are to be destroyed by July 1 of the next year. They are to be destroyed either by shredding or burning if the documents.**

**Brenda Kreuger/Frank Ball**

**CARRIED unanimously**

**#6. Motion of Exemption to allow divers to attend the Diving Camp Jan 2,3,4**  
**Joanna Linardis / Frank Ball**

**CARRIED Unanimously**

**#7. Motion to make to following changes to Synchro Rules:**

1. Synchro – Section 2 E.4.a. Page 10  
Change Div III & Under 1:45 to read 2:00 and 2:00 to 2:15
2. Synchro – Section 3.B. Page 16 ...change  
A half point (0.5) penalty shall be.....
  1. to change to 5.

And Add 6. Team and Duet Routines where the required elements are not completed in order as specified.

3. Synchro – Section 5 B. Page 19 Delete BCSSA Synchronized .....athlete.  
Replace with – Only Recreational Synchro BC Swimmers may participate in BCSSA Events.

4. Administration – Section 2 C.3.c.i Page 19  
Replace two (2) with two and one half ( 2 ½).

5. Administration – Section 2 C.3.c.ii Page 19  
Replace 2 hours with 2 ½ hours.....

6. Administration – Section 2 C.2.c.iii Page 19  
NEW iii. To read : Synchronized Swimmers will enter only 2 Sanctioned Synchro Recreational Meets. A Synchro Meet shall count as 20 Minutes.

7. Administration – Section 2 C.2.c. old iii through to vi to read iv through to vii.

8. Administration Section 2.C.d.ii Page 20 Delete

9. Administration Section 2.C .6. Page 21 Delete and replace with  
Only Recreational Synchro BC Swimmers may participate in BCSSA Events.

10. Administration Section 2.C.3.B.iii replace star 7 with star 5

### **Mike Nickerson / Norm Scott**

Discussion

# 2. increase of length of performance and technical change of numbering of items in rules and add a number 6

#3 – Allow recreational Synchro Swimmers (only) to join BCSSA

#4. Not to outside of the 4 hour rule for combined aquatic sport.

#6. add May

#7. housekeeping

#8. deleting a section

#9 second reference to the accepting of Only Recreational Synchro Swimmers

### **Motions to table to the January 2008 Board Meeting.**

**Mike Nickerson / Frank Ball**

**CARRIED Unanimously**

### **#8. Motion to make the following Water Polo changes for 2008**

1) Administration Section – Section 8, B. (Page 32)

Add: 4. An individual may only appear on 2 water polo teams at Regionals.

(note: If an error is found before the competition begins, the entry form(s) will be returned to the club for correction. If an error is found after the competition begins, the player is still

eligible for the first 2 teams he/she played for but is ineligible for third team. A fine of up to \$100. may be assessed against a club for improper team registration.)

Add: 5. Any coach who has coached a team during the season will not be permitted to play with that team.

Add: 6. Where it is established that a player is an ineligible player the tournament chair shall be notified immediately. Any games played by the ineligible player will result in a forfeit of those games played. The ineligible player shall not be allowed to play in the rest of the tournament.

## 2) Administration Section – Section 9, B. (Page 37)

Add: “1. Qualifiers”

Add “a.” The top team .....

Add “b.” A water polo entry .....

Add “c. An individual may only ...

Add” (note: If an error is found before the competition begins, the entry form(s) will be returned to the club for correction. If an error is found after the competition begins, the player is still eligible for the first 2 teams he/she played for but is ineligible for third team. A fine may be assessed against a club for improper team registration.)”

Add: “d.” Any coach who has coached a team during the season will not be permitted to play with that team.

Add: “e. Where it is established that a player is an ineligible player the tournament chair shall be notified immediately. Any games played by the ineligible player will result in a forfeit of those games played. The ineligible player shall not be allowed to play in the rest of the tournament.”

Add: “2. Tournament Schedule”

The Tournament schedule will be determined .....

Renumber 2, 3 and 4 (pages 39 and 40) to 3, 4 and 5.

## 3) Water Polo Section – Section 3, B. (Page 8)

Add: 7. Technical Errors

If there is a technical error (desk official mistake, timing error, clock malfunction, etc.) the referee must stop the game at an appropriate time (not necessarily immediately) and correct the error.

The game **may** have to restart at the last know time before the error.

Example: A player has three personal fouls and is still playing because the secretary has forgotten to signal with the red flag. The game clock should be reset at the end of the

exclusion time or at the time of the man-up goal and the game restarted from that time. All incidents occurring after that time must be erased on the game sheet.

#### Add: 8. Yellow and Red Cards

The yellow card/red card system has been adopted for the control of the water polo bench at all BCSSA water polo events.

The issuing (signaling) of the yellow card by the referee is an “official” warning to the team bench.

That the subsequent issuing (signaling) of the red card by the referee is the signal that the offender on the team bench must retire to the public area or to such a designated place as determined by the tournament chair.

It should be noted, that should the actions of the offender warrant, then the referee might issue (signal) with the red card without having issued (signalled) with the yellow card, which in normal circumstances is really an initial warning.

The point to remember about the use of cards is that they are just a mechanism, a “visible show” for what referees always have had the power to do. A referee could always exclude any person from the pool. Accordingly:

1. If the bench is still a problem, identify the offender(s) and exclude him/her (them).
2. The offender is the individual, not the representative. Accordingly you punish neither the captain, nor the coach, if a player is the offending party. You excluded that party.

#### Yellow Cards Situations:

For the head coach only:

- a. Advance pass the 5 m line (a verbal and/or a warning signal before a yellow card)
  - The head coach must stay well away from the referee when the referee is in his/her zone. The coach must not impede on the referee’s movement or vision.
  - The head coach must be near his/her bench when his/her team has possession of the ball and stay in his/her zone.
  - The head coach doesn’t return near his bench when his/her team loses possession of the ball.
  - When the bench is not situated behind the goal line and outside the sidelines.
- b. Comment the referee’s calls (after the calls)
- c. Directed the referee’s call (before the calls)
- d. Regarding b and c, if the referee cannot determine who is committing the infraction from the bench, the head coach should receive a yellow card (he/she is responsible for the behaviour of all on the bench)

## Red Card Situations:

For a staff member and/or a player of the team other than the head coach:

- Leaving the bench
- Comment on the referee's calls
- Direct the referee's calls
- Interfere in the play

For head coach:

- A third infraction from the yellow card list (a).
- A second infraction from the yellow card list (b,c,d).

For head coach, staff members and players:

- Throw or kick an object
- Insult personally a referee or minor official
- Instigate any personal contact with a referee or minor official

### DISCUSSION:

General concensus on Fine

Re: Technical Error – intent is to allow the Ref to stop the game to correct a game. This allows the Ref to determine the error and determine the restart time in accordance with the error.

Add 8: allows the Ref to control the game.

**Jim Toy / Ian Allen**

**Motion to table to the January 2008 Board Meeting**

**Mike Nickerson/Frank Ball**

**#9. Motion to adopt new age group – P5 for Water Polo for a one year trial.**

**Jim Toy / Frank Ball**

**Motion to table to the January 2008 Board Meeting**

**Mike Nickerson / Frank Ball**

**#10. Motion to adjourn**

**Frank Ball / Brenda Krueger**

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**