

## **Board of Directors Meeting**

**Saturday, April 5, 2008  
9:15am – 4:00 pm**

**Sunday, April 6, 2008  
9:00am – 2:00pm**

### **AGENDA**

#### **Saturday/Sunday**

**PRESENT:** Don Miller, Rosemary Nickerson, Steve Shipley, Glen Terrilon, Danny Schields, Neil Wuolle, Sheree Palmer, Chris Bolton, Frank Ball, Mike Nickerson, Norm Scott, Mike Lorusso, Ken Davidson , Brenda Krueger, Trudy Kemper, Darcy Morris, James Welychko, Joanna Linardis,  
**ABSENT:** Ian Allen, Jim Toy, Michelle Curley, Cindi Borsoi

Prior to calling the Meeting to Order we reviewed the revised Mission Statement and the Guiding Principles:  
*The revised copy reads as follows:*

#### **NEW MISSION STATEMENT**

The BC Summer Swimming Association (BCSSA) promotes, and encourages the development of athletes and volunteers through participation in speed swimming, diving, water polo and synchronized swimming.

#### **NEW GUIDING PRINCIPLES:**

- Through its member clubs, BCSSA will provide opportunities for training, competition and activities in communities throughout BC and surrounding areas.
- BCSSA promotes the development of an individual's capacity to achieve excellence and life skills through participation in competitive aquatic activities.

#### **FOUNDATION:**

- **BCSSA:**
  - Is an organization of Member Clubs and its members.
  - Promotes and supports four aquatic disciplines (speed swimming, diving, water polo, synchronized swimming)
  - Has a competitive season from May 1<sup>st</sup> to September 30<sup>th</sup>.
  - Has restricted participation in these disciplines from October 1<sup>st</sup> to April 30<sup>th</sup>.

Meeting called to order at 9:40am

1. Review Minutes of the January 2008 Board Meeting

**Motion to accept as presented**

**Norm Scott/ James Welychko**

**CARRIED unanimously**

2. Business Arising

Motions Arising - Tabled Motion (h) – Duties of Officers – Director of Education

**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.**

**Motion tabled to the April Board Meeting.**

**Mike Nickerson / Norm Scott**

**CARRIED unanimously**

**Motion to Bring Tabled motion back to the table regarding – Director of Education**

**Frank Ball/Mike Nickerson**

Discussion:

**Withdraw the motion from the table.**

**Frank Ball/Mike Nickerson agreed**

**Note: Notice of motion - to take the motion to the AGM- 2008**

3. History Committee

**Ian Allen**

3.1 Report – No report

4. Director of Competitions

**Frank Ball**

4.1 Report

Received report from the committee in Trail/Castlegar and planning is proceeding well – Frank and Rosemary to meet with the group beginning of May along with Pool Managers in Castlegar and Trail, BC.

Frank reviewed the List of Regional Responsibilities to ensure each Region is prepared to fulfill their commitment to Regional Responsibilities

4.2 Workshop- on Submitting entries to Provincials- Sheet was handed out for Regional Directors to indicate individuals that will attend. June 7<sup>th</sup> Workshop.

Time: 9:00-2:00 (approximate length) Serving a working lunch.

One Region unable to attend- Van & District – Mike Girard will meet with the person from the Region and Mike Girard will represent that region at the Workshop.

Deadline for Advertising for the Provincial Program 2008 is July 15, 2008

- Rosemary : handed out Esquire Business Cards to Regional Directors
- handed out Clerking Schedules to Ken Davidson and Norm Scott.
- requested all Board members to confirm Shirt Sizes
- requested All Board members to confirm their rooms with hotel.

- Provincials 2009 will be in Fraser Valley – Abbotsford Speedswimming will be out door Cenntennial Pool - Synchro, Diving and Water Polo will be at Walnut Grove pool.  
Frank and Rosemary have met with this Group once and has started planning and will set another meeting  
For your information Provincials will be held in the following Regions as follows:
  - 2010 Okanagan
  - 2011Fraser South
  - 2012 Van Island
  - 2013 Simon Fraser
  - 2014 Cariboo
  - 2015 Van& District
- Frank will email PQT times to Regional Reps ASAP.

A reminder that A/B Times are determined by each Region.

- Discussion – Rounding times using 100ths . Mike Nickerson and Frank Ball reviewed all times from 50Free at Provincials 2007, reviewing Plunger Times and Watch Times.
  - o Watches were more accurate over the plunger times. (less than 10<sup>th</sup> of a second)
  - o Reminder that manually you are accurate to 10ths electronically to the 100<sup>th</sup>.
  - o ***Regional Directors will need to discuss and bring information back to the October meeting***

## 5. Director of Finance

**Mike Lorusso**

- 5.1 Income & Expense Statement – **New Accounting System - Quick Books** is up and running in the Office handled by Janet Goebel
- Mike Lorusso reviewed Profit and Loss statement –
  - Next year we will be able to compare categories
  - Mike Lorusso explained that we changed Bank Accounts and locations
  - Reviewed Balance Statement – Still waiting for HSBC account to catch up with changes.
  - Discussions:
    - Regarding Fees increases for HiTech upgrades , Directors Insurance and Auditing – reasons for auditing is to ensure the checking points are completed.
    - In Quick Books, Don has set up separate classes that will show any receipts or disbursements from Direct Access. Restricted Direct Access will show net from that class.
    - Balance Sheet will change slightly as not all Bank Statements have come. Don is dealing with our Fiscal year end which was March 31,2008
- 5.2 Aquatics for Arthritis – September Events – Jon has set a date in September for the event. Clubs can raise funds by running a Swim a thon, or a Special Race day..... ie a Fun Meet. Aquatics for Arthritis will do all the advertising, promoting, etc. Check with the Office on how your club can get involved.
- 5.3 Legacies 2010 Funding

## 6. Vice President

**Mike Nickerson**

### 6.1 Report

6.1.1 Rule book has been published and distributed

6.1.2 Constitution committee

The constitution is directed by the Mission Statement. Mike will arrange for a meeting with the committee before days end.

6.1.3 Strategic Plan – we do currently have one in affect. What is the plan to update

Discussion: Strategic Plan should reflect the needs of the organization and the skills within. They should reflect short term plans instead of long term.

- Training and education reflects the need for short term planning. - If the Boot camp is a valuable tool, we should be training others to carry on with a long term plan, when current facilitators move on.
- Suggestion: we now use the Friday evening or our Board Meetings to upgrade the current Strategic Plan.
- Perhaps a committee could be formed to review and bring recommendations to the October Board meeting.

**Strategic Planning Committee formed:**

**Chair – Mike Nickerson**

**Norm Scott**

**Joanna Linardis**

**Frank Ball**

**James Welychko**

**Glen Terrilon**

Web Site Presentation to come forward with Jon Cain at 4:00 today  
Looking for comments and feed back

- Posting Results from meets – Hy-Tek will provide the mechanism. Clubs will provide their results direct to Hy-tek
- Hy-Tek has a new version that is currently being Beta tested by a The Richmond Kigoos Swim Club in the Fraser South Region.

## 7. Director of Synchro

**Christopher Boulton**

7.1 Report –

7.2 Managed to secure 10 – 15 parents to take a Judging Course at the end of May or First week in June

7.3 Will split the Judging committee between new and experienced judges for Provincials. Expenses will be covered by the Club level.

7.4 Looking forward to a great meet in Trail. Meet package is completed for Synchro and will be forwarded to Janet at the Office.

7.5 Pursuing starting a club in the Okanagan . there are a number of athletes interested and a Coach to train them.

7.6 Synchro clubs – Courtney, Van.Cruisers, Haney, Langley, Crescent Beach, Prince George. Hopefully Nelson and Okanagan teams will be coming on board.

7.7 Synchro BC not willing to accredit a BCSSA Training Course. They feel “across the board” training is needed for both Synchro BC and BCSSA

Fee increases have been applied to all other aquatic sports , question is ... will there be an increase coming for Synchro? Chris is reviewing.

## **8. Director of Officials**

**Trudy Kemper**

### **8.1 Report ATTACHED**

On February 24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> we met and had a great turn out for this year, with only the Cariboo Region sending their regrets.

We covered Responsibilities of Regional Directors of Officials and also stressed the foundation of our group, through the local Club Directors of Officials. We discussed ideas on getting parents involved from the beginning in officiating.

What's acceptable behavior in and out of you "Whites" was a discussion at great length. Although we all agreed we cannot "Control" people, we can make our expectations known. It was generally accepted that there should be no drinking while in your whites, definitely not while on duty. If you do choose to drink, please do not return to the pool deck. The idea of professionalism was the focus of this discussion.

Each Region is on board to be tracking their officials and using some kind of spreadsheet. This will facilitate identifying and encouraging officials along their journey and also help look after the sustainability of our officiating coverage. Officials want input on Rule Changes before they go to the January Board Meeting.

We collectively listed some of the "Hot Issues" from the Regions, in regards to officiating and behaviors on the deck . We then broke out into 3 groups and came up with solutions to these items. It was a very beneficial experience for all of us.

We have a volunteer that is working on making a new DVD for Stroke & Turn to be out for review sometime this season.

Cindi Borsoi led us in a clinic on understanding and dealing with your conflict style which was very helpful and enlightening.

Rosemary Nickerson attended and reviewed Provincials 2008 in Trail.

I am pleased with our committee and look forward to collectively moving forward.

## **9. Registrar**

**Brenda Kreuger**

### **9.1 Report Brenda sending report Provincial Registrars Report – April 5, 2008**

Not much to report at the time. Regional & Club registrars are busy getting the 2008 registration season underway.

Our updated Registration Form has been available on Hy-Tek since January. Most clubs have started their 2008 summer registrations.

Winter registration data is not due in to me until May. There are a few clubs who still take in winter registrations in April.

Just a reminder that Affiliation fees are due by April 15. V & D, KO, FV, and FS have already paid their Regions fees. This leaves VI, OK, SF, CA that have yet to get their fees in.

The task of making the registration manual has gotten under way. A big thank you to Nancy Mathias from the Fraser South Region for all the work that she is putting into this project.

9.2 Receipts for payment of Sport participation – Hy-tek does have a form that can be used as a receipt in Team Manager.

## **10. Secretary**

**Rosemary Nickerson**

10.1 Wavelength Article Deadline April 15<sup>th</sup> Notification with a link to that Web- Site stating that the postings is on the Web, will go out to the Board Members to forward to Club Presidents requesting them to send to club members.

## **11. Director of Member Services**

**Cindi Borsoi**

11.1 Report – No report

## **12. Director of Diving**

**Joanna Linardis**

12.1 Report

12.2 Had a Diving meeting which was very productive. Coaches conference, will try to be involved this year. Creating a mentors program for coaches.

# **DIVING REPORT 2008 – APRIL**

## UPDATES:

The diving community had a very productive meeting on Thursday night, prior to this Meeting. Mostly the goal was to do some Brainstorming, on both increasing numbers and coordinating BCSSA & CADA. We hope to work to continue to partnership our resources.

We have a few goals in mind: 1. To create a Diving Module at the Coaches Conference for future years, and to start this year with two separate one day workshops. We have a lot of young coaches who need some direction. 2. Coaching Mentorship Program, with a coordinator. Dive BC is looking into having someone approach each POOL and PROGRAM in the Lower Mainland, and perhaps starting some growth into both the PSO and our groups. MORE INFO TO FOLLOW. 3. Coach id, and talent ID (to be further discussed). 4. Official Rule Book is the 2008 MEET PACKAGE in conjunction with the 2008 Version of the "RULE BOOK. 5. Programs to work on: Fraser Valley (Joanna follow up on the registration of the club); Fraser South (Bev – Joanna: speak to Michelle Curley); Prince George (Shannon : contact Myles; Joanna contact club and regional Director); Okanagan (Joanna find a coach contact) 6. MORE MEETINGS THROUGH THE YEAR Minimum 3 per year: (October or November; January or April; Provincials) 7. Bev to look at the Pool for the 3 & 31 May, and look into the availability of Alan and or Heather; Joanna contact BCSSA Coaches, presidents etc, and see about paying registrations...); Joanna & Bev coordinate the fees & work on the agreement. Jon Cain to be our resource for Conference.

Conference: May 3 & 31 (dates to be firmed up)

Components: Judges clinic/workshop (Diving) in the afternoon along side an athlete development workshop (as PRACTICAL WORK to the Coaches Conference). FULL DAY coaches conference for all BCSSA diving Coaches. WE are looking at the costs and will have the information out to the clubs / regions

ASAP; and we hope to contact Regional Director or CLUB President individually for further sharing of information.

#### Dive meets

- a. May 3 & 31 Diving Camps with BC DIVING & BCSSA : PARTNERSHIP
- b. June 7 & 8: Fraser Valley Diving: IRENE MCD MEET / GAMES TRIALS / BCSSA
- c. June 24: North Vancouver Cruisers & No. Shore Winter Club
- d. July 2: Port Moody (if not there, then change NV Cruiser)
- e. July 10 Coq Sharks
- f. July 24: Coq Sharks
- g. July ? Kootenay Dive Invitational (Castlegar / Gr. Forks / Trail / Nelson?)
- h. July REGIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS – each region to have their own meet
- i. August 5/6 REGISTRATION IS DUE FOR PROVINCIALS (at the office thru your Regional Directors)
- j. Aug 13/14 PROVINCIALS! (Aug 12<sup>th</sup> Warm Ups in the evening)

#### Rules/Updates

A few minor updates: the 2008 Meet Package will govern this season. The major changes:

1. ***Dive Requirements chart in the Meet Package (copies should be on the website before the end of April) - see below for the unofficial copy of the Dive REQ'***
2. ***2008 DEGREE OF DIFFICULTY SHEET (DD Sheet ) see below.***
3. **Section 6 Rule 7 b) Feet First Entries ii) when one or both of the arms are held beyond the head in a feet first entry, the Referee shall instruct the Judges to award the dive a maximum of 4.5 point.**
  - a. **This rule does NOT apply to any of the REQUIRED DIVES LISTED IN THE 2008 Age Group Dive Requirements**
  - b. **This is the Same rule, cited in different sections: Section 7 – L; Section 8 – B – 6; and Section 8 - H – 3 ALL sections need to be noted.**

#### Encouragement:

Important to realize that the BCSSA has began to evolve and there are changes in place to make the association run more smoothly with the training of our own officials and coaches. We are working with BC Diving to ensure quality in our officiating. We are reaching out to the community to have ALL parents who are interested participate. We are asking for a few hours of your time, on the Saturdays during the conference to start you on your way. WE hope to follow these workshops up by having someone available at the diving competitions to help you all develop your skills. We work to ensure a level playing field for all athletes at the Provincials and this is one step in the right direction.

In addition, if anyone is interested in the position of Diving Director, this year is the AGM that could make it possible. I am willing to let my name stand, however, I would be willing to step down if someone would like to step forward and take over!

#### 2010 funds

We will be examining this avenue for future funds.

**Motion to increase BCSSA Provincial Entry fees for Diving from \$10 - \$15.**

**Joanna Linardis/Frank Ball**

**CARRIED unanimously.**

## 2008 Age Group Dive Requirements

### “S” DIVERS 1Metre - 2008

Age Group – 1 Metre	Required dives	Optional dives	Optional Clarification
8 & Under	100 – Front Jump 200 – Back Jump 101 or 001 (Front Fall in) 201 or 002 (Back Fall In)	Any 3 dives	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• All jumps &amp; fall-ins are permitted.</li> <li>• Required dives may be repeated as optional dives, however the position must be different.</li> <li>• 2 categories must be used.</li> </ul>
9 & 10	100 – Front Jump 200 – Back Jump 101 or 001(Front Fall in) 201 401	Any 3 dives	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• All jumps &amp; fall-ins are permitted.</li> <li>• Required dives may be repeated as optional dives, however the position must be different</li> <li>• 3 categories must be used.</li> </ul>
11 & 12	100 – Front Jump 200 – Back Jump 101 201 or 301 401	Any 3 dives	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• All jumps &amp; fall-ins are permitted.</li> <li>• Required dives may be repeated as optional dives, however the position must be different</li> <li>• 3 categories must be used.</li> </ul>
13 & 14	100 – Front Jump 200 – Back Jump 101 201 or 301 401	Any 4 dives	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• All jumps &amp; fall-ins are permitted.</li> <li>• Required dives may be repeated as optional dives, however the position must be different</li> <li>• 3 categories must be used.</li> </ul>
15 & 16	101 201 or 301 401	Any 4 Dives	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• All jumps &amp; fall-ins are permitted.</li> <li>• Required dives may be repeated as optional dives, however the position must be different</li> <li>• 4 categories must be used.</li> </ul>
17 – 19/ 20 & Over	101 201 or 301 401	Any 4 Dives	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• All jumps &amp; fall-ins are permitted.</li> <li>• Required dives may be repeated as optional dives, however the position must be different</li> <li>• 3 categories must be used.</li> </ul>

## “S” DIVERS 3Metre– 2008

Age Group – 3 Metre	Required dives	Optional dives	Optional Clarification
10 & Under	100 – Front Jump 200 – Back Jump 001 fall in or roll in	Any 3 dives	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>All jumps &amp; fall-ins are permitted.</li> <li>Required dives may be repeated as optional dives, however the position must be different.</li> <li>2 categories must be demonstrated.</li> </ul>
11 & 12	100 – Front Jump 200 – Back Jump 001 fall in or roll in 002 101	Any 3 dives	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>All jumps &amp; fall-ins are permitted.</li> <li>Required dives may be repeated as optional dives, however the position must be different</li> <li>2 categories must be demonstrated</li> </ul>
13 & 14	100 – Front Jump 200 – Back Jump 001 fall in or roll in 002 101	Any 4 dives	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>All jumps &amp; fall-ins are permitted.</li> <li>Required dives may be repeated as optional dives, however the position must be different</li> <li>2 categories must be demonstrated</li> </ul>
15 & 16	001 fall in or roll in 002 101 201	Any 4 Dives	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>All jumps &amp; fall-ins are permitted.</li> <li>Required dives may be repeated as optional dives, however the position must be different</li> <li>2 categories must be demonstrated</li> </ul>
17 – 19 / 20&Over	001 fall in or roll in 002 101 201	Any 4 Dives	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>All jumps &amp; fall-ins are permitted.</li> <li>Required dives may be repeated as optional dives, however the position must be different</li> <li>2 categories must be demonstrated</li> </ul>

## “O CAT” DIVERS 1Metre- 2008

Age Group – 1 Metre	Required dives	Optional dives	Optional Clarification
10 & Under “O Cat 1”	100 – Front Jump 200 – Back Jump 101 201	Front Option + any 2 dives	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>All jumps &amp; fall-ins are permitted.</li> <li>Required dives may be repeated as optional dives however the position must be different.</li> <li>2 categories must be demonstrated.</li> </ul>
11 – 13 O Cat 2	100 – Front Jump 200 – Back Jump 101 201 or 301 401	Any 4 dives	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>In areas where a choice is given, the unused dive may be performed as an optional dive. HOWEVER, you may NOT duplicate a dive number.</li> <li>3 categories must be demonstrated.</li> </ul>
14 – 19 O Cat 3	101 201 301 401 Twisting Category (your choice)	Any 4 dives	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>In areas where a choice is given, the unused dive may be performed as an optional dive. HOWEVER, you may NOT duplicate a dive number.</li> <li>4 categories must be demonstrated.</li> </ul>
20 & Over O Cat 4	Front or Inward Back or Reverse Twisting Category (your choice)	Front Optional Back or Reverse Optional Inward Optional + 1 Other (must not duplicate a category from the list)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>In areas where a choice is given, the unused dive may be performed as an optional dive. HOWEVER, you may NOT duplicate a dive number.</li> <li>4 categories must be demonstrated.</li> </ul>

## “O CAT” DIVERS 3Metre - 2008

Age Group – 3 Metre	Required dives	Optional dives	Optional Clarification
10 & Under O Cat 1	100 – Front Jump 200 – Back Jump 001 – Front Fall in or roll in 002 - Back Roll in 101 401	Any 3 dives	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>All jumps &amp; fall-ins are permitted.</li> <li>Required dives may be repeated as optional dives, however the position must be different.</li> <li>2 categories must be demonstrated.</li> </ul>
11 – 13 O Cat 2	001 – Front Fall in or Roll in 002 101 201 or 301 401	Front Optional Inward Optional Back or Reverse Optional	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>In areas where a choice is given, the unused dive may be performed as an optional dive. HOWEVER, you may NOT duplicate a dive number.</li> <li>3 categories must be demonstrated.</li> </ul>
14 – 19 O Cat 3	001 – Front Fall in or Roll in 002 101 201 or 301 401	Front Optional Inward Optional Back or Reverse Optional + 1 Other (must not duplicate a category from the list)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>In areas where a choice is given, the unused dive may be performed as an optional dive. HOWEVER, you may NOT duplicate a dive number.</li> <li>4 categories must be demonstrated.</li> </ul>
20 & Over O Cat 4	001 002 Front or Inward Back or Reverse Twisting Category (your choice)	Front Optional Back or Reverse Optional Inward Optional + 1 Other (must not duplicate a category from the list)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>In areas where a choice is given, the unused dive may be performed as an optional dive. HOWEVER, you may NOT duplicate a dive number.</li> <li>3 categories must be demonstrated.</li> </ul>

### 13. Director of Water Polo

**Jim Toy**

13.1 Report - Frank Ball for Jim Toy see attached. Spoke with Jim on speaker- phone to clarify his report.

#### Director of Waterpolo Report – April , 2008

I would first like to begin my report by congratulating the Senior Men’s National team for qualifying for the Olympics in Beijing. This is the first time that Waterpolo Canada has qualified a men’s team to the Olympics. I am proud to say that three of those players swam and played water polo in BSSSA. These three players I would like to acknowledge and wish them luck in Beijing; Brandon Jung, Con Kudaba and Kevin Mitchell.

This year there will be a Waterpolo meeting with all the Regional Waterpolo directors. The date will be May 5, 2008 at BCSSA’s office starting at 7:00pm. A conference call will be set up for Regional Waterpolo directors who are out of town

#### **Provincials In Trail Update:**

I have been in contact with Lynn Cassidy in Castlegar. They are looking in to building some new nets in Castlegar. I have given her the ideal measurements for these nets. I have also secured with Fraser Valley two portable water polo nets for this year Provincials if required. They do need to be shipped up but can fit in to a long cargo van.

#### **BCWPA Partnership Update:**

I have requested that BCWPA add to their budget for the 2008/2009 season of \$7,500.00 to off set some of cost of running Provincials, development (players, coaches and officials) and to promote waterpolo with in our organization. This

amount will be added to their budget so hopefully when they applied for direct access the funding towards Waterpolo development with in BCSSA can be supported. They do expect us to register of our new players with BCWPA also. I am currently negotiated with BCWPA as to the fee (\$10.00 a player?) and how player information can flow between the two organizations.

I have also negotiated that BCSSA a long with BCWPA purchase two portable water polo nets for the two organizations to share. The estimated cost (which is in US dollars) is \$2267.30 plus \$246.81 for freight. The total estimated cost is \$2,514.11 which would split 50/50 between the two organizations. I have attached a copy of an estimated cost.

### **Waterpolo Cost at Provincials:**

Finally, what is the true cost of Waterpolo at Provincials? Diving, sychro and Waterpolo have given our report to the committee on Friday. By going through this excercise (mentally not physically) with my cohorts, it got me to think. Rosemary and Frank gave to us a break down of sports at Provincials. I looked at other waterpolo organizations both locally and out side our Province to the fees that they charge. All the tournaments I have been to have a higher team entry fee. The fee to enter into these tournaments (see attachments) ranges from \$550.00 to \$1,100, some of these tournaments even charges an additional fee for referees. I feel that our Provincial for waterpolo is just as good as or better than these tournaments, both in terms of organization, games played and officiating. So in my Waterpolo community a fee of \$500.00 is not unreasonable. Frank suggested that for each sport the entry fee should cover around \$60% (Frank and Rosemary can verify this percentage). Last year the Waterpolo cost was \$15,632.47 (note \$7298.52 was officials cost). We had 18 teams last year. If I use a fee of say \$450.00 this would cover approximately 51% of the cost. If I reduce the cost of accommodations from \$7298.53 to \$4,000.00 as our Provincials will be alternating after this year back to the lower mainland this will create a 66% recovery.

Discussion around the costs of Officials to Provincials and the increase of fees or the insurance of supporting those costs.

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

**Mike Nickerson / Danny Schilds**

**CARRIED unanimously**

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

**Neil Wuolle/Joanna Linardis**

**Carried unanimously**

**Motion that the Water Polo entry fee to Provincials be increased to \$400.**

**Danny Schilds / James Welychko**

Discussion

More work needs to be done to determine the costs regarding Provincials.

Motion to table this motion to allow time for reviewing.

Norm Scott /No one seconded

It is obvious Jim needs more money to cover costs of Provincials so if not through raising Fees how else can Jim cover the costs to get his officials to Provincials.

There are no set guidelines of when the request for fee increase can come forward to the Board for ratification and approval.

Danny makes amendment

**Motion to amend the motion to increase the Water Polo entry fees to Provincials to read “ up to \$500.”.**

**Danny Schilds/ James Welychko**

Discussion

Who is going to make the **decision????**

**Call the question**

**Neil Wuolle/Danny Schilds**

**CARRIED**

**Opposed Norm Scott**

**Obstension: Ken Davidson**

**Motion to allow Jim to enter into negotiation with BCWP .**

**Frank/Rosemary**

Discussion:

This motion simply allows Jim to review and negotiate for some funding to help covering the Water Polo costs for Provincials .

**Carried**

**Obstensions: Glen Terrilon and Steve Shipley**

**Motion that Jim Toy will enter into negotiations with BC Water Polo as to the Purchase of 2 Water Polo Nets for the joint use of the 2 organizations.**

**Frank Ball/Mike Nickerson**

Discussion: More information is needed. Such as who will store them. Who will maintain them. Etc.

This is the type of information Jim will venture to get in the negotiations.

**CARRIED unanimously.**

**14. Coaches' Representative**

**Sarah Kudaba**

14.1 Report – sending email report and hand outs

14.2 NCCP – Coaches clinics being offered – Burnaby and Delta( Apr 18/19 and May 09/10) and Salmon Arm dates are posted. Google NCCP

14.3 [Sheree\\_palmer@hotmail.com](mailto:Sheree_palmer@hotmail.com) - please email Sheree with any suggestion of topics for the Conference.

**15 Regional Director's Report**

**15.1 Vancouver & District**

**Glen Terrillon**

All clubs have reported the majority of coaching positions have been filled in all disciplines. Most of the clubs will be holding registration nights during April.

Clubs have decided on their meet dates for 2008 season:

NSWC Marlins June 7-8

Squamish Pirates June 22

NV Cruisers July 12-13

Vancouver Vikings July 19-20

Regionals will be held in Squamish and assignments for Regionals have been agreed upon.

We held a Team Manager training session last weekend.. There were 2 instructors and 4 attendees. It went very well and we will look into putting on another session during one of our meets this year. We will be doing hands-on

training for Meet Manager at the NSWC meet on June 7. We have discussed other training sessions (officiating, chief meet recorder, Meet Manager). Where we can deliver these ourselves, we will review the materials available and will look into scheduling these throughout the season. Where we are not able to deliver ourselves (judging synchro or diving), I have asked the discipline representatives to report on what is being offered and the region will support in paying the costs for anyone who takes these courses. We hope to be able to offer the Jr. Leader / Coaches course. We will check with the BCSSA office for updated materials and potential instructors.

We will be organizing a meeting between the senior officials, executive members and coaches. This is meant as an introduction between all groups (especially new coaches) as well as an opportunity to discuss the upcoming season, training needs and opportunities, coaches professionalism, officiating, etc.

15.2 **Simon Fraser**      **No Report Recieved**

**Darcy Morris**

15.3 **Cariboo**

**Danny Schilds**

2008 is shaping up to be a bit of a challenge in the Cariboo. Ft. Nelson has cancelled their meet for 2008. This is primarily due to the mill shut downs. Prince George, at this point in time, is changing the date of their meet to July 19-20. This date change will give a meet two weeks before Regionals. Thank-you Prince George. Mackenzie is not sure if they will be having a meet this year for the same reason as Ft Nelson, mill shut downs and the declining economy. Many families are already looking at moving away. Quesnel does have last year's coach returning and pool time is confirmed with registration the same as last year. Quesnel will be trying a pups program this summer. Dawson Creek is now in the new pool, 8 lane, 25 meter facility but have seen pool fees double in just one year and a loss of pool time and space. The club is limited to just two mornings and five evenings a week this season. At this time the club is still looking for coaching staff.

On a bright note, the Cariboo has three swimmers at the Olympic trials this week. Mackenzie Downing swam with the Whitehorse Glacier Bears back when Whitehorse was a member of the BCSSA. Fort St John's Cassandra Baker is at the meet and the Dawson Creek Seal's Sadie Mattson is swimming. Some may remember Sadie's swims at provincials a couple of years ago.

Danny Schilds.

15.4 **Vancouver Island**      **No Report Received**

**Norm Scott**

15.5 **Okanagan**

**Ken Davidson**

All has been very quite in the OK region over the past few months with most clubs maintaining a winter maintenance program.

As we get into registration some of our clubs are still digging out of snow.

We decided not to have a Boot camp this year in our region but we would like to thank the other regions for inviting us to theirs.

I know that some of our coaches are coming down for the coaches' conference and I am sure they will have a great time.

Are meet schedule has been set for some time now and we would love to see some visitors during the summer:

May 31 – June 1 – Penticton  
June 14 & 15 – Lumby  
June 28 & 29 – Kelowna  
July 5 & 6 – Merritt and Golden (two separate meets)  
July 12 & 13 – Revelstoke  
July 19 & 20 – Salmon Arm  
August 2 & 3 – Regional – Kamloops

Looking forward to swim season.

## 15.6 Kootenay

**James Welychko**

Since the last board meeting, the Kootenay Region has been getting ready for the upcoming 08-swim season. All the clubs in the region have now finished hiring their summer swim coaching staff and the Region's swim schedule was finalized earlier this winter. Grand Forks had a referendum on the refurbishment of their pool last month and it has passed. Work is scheduled to start sometime in the fall. Creston's new Pool and Recreation Centre, that construction was to have started on last month, has been put on hold until the Federal Government signs off on the \$2 million that they pledged for its construction.

The Regional Board is again hosting our Annual Development Meet on May 25<sup>th</sup>. This meet, which is for those novices to Div. 3 swimmers who have little or no experience at swim meets, has been well attended since its inception 5 years ago. This is also a great opportunity for the new parents to attend the Level 1 Official's clinic that is put on in the morning prior to the meet. We have found this is a great way to get the parents and children to attend other meets in the region, as well, parents are more willing to volunteer as officials at other meets. We are also looking to have continuous training sessions throughout the season for those officials who wish to learn new jobs at the meets and work towards their pins. At the end of the Development Meet, the region will also have the first Dive meet of the year with Regionals tentatively set for July 31<sup>st</sup>. The team is also looking to have two more meets at the Nelson and Trail swim meets.

The board that is working on the Provincials has finalized many on the outstanding approved and the map has been passed on to Rosemary and should be on the website along with the accommodation list. The materials are being priced out for the bleachers that are going to be built on the south side of the pool deck. We will also know at the end of the month what kind of reader board will be placed in the Trail Pool for the beginning of the season and Provincials. We are also now in the final stages of negotiation for the concession that will be serving breakfast, coffee and pre-packaged sandwiches and other goodies for lunch at the Provincial Meet.

**15.7 Fraser Valley**  
Greetings from the Valley

**Wendy Jordan-Olive**

Since the last meeting we have been working on finalizing our meet schedule and getting organized for the up coming season.

I believe our meet schedule is finalized and on our Regions website. We also have our new club the Fraser Valley Diving Club on our website with a link to their website.

Most of our clubs have had at least one registration and most numbers are looking good. All of the clubs have hired their Head Coach and I think all but one club have hired their Assistant Coaches. I believe that all of the clubs with swimming are sending at least one coach to the Coaches Conference in May.

We are currently looking for a way to come up with funds to purchase a new scoreboard and pads for our timing system. That has taken up a lot of time at our meetings.

The valley is excited about the up coming season!

**15.8 Fraser South**

**Michelle Curley**

Meet dates are set, coaches in place, pools being cleaned and Registration for the summer 2008 season is in full swing.

I wanted to once again thank Mike Girard for helping me, by submitting an article on the wireless stop watches that Dolphin supplies to work with the Hy-Tek system. Hopefully, if there are any questions throughout the summer, you are all invited to come to any of our meets and see them in action, however they work with the system. Thank you also to a very successful team at the board table this winter in working with us to develop a more efficient and accurate way of submitting Provincial entries. We are very happy to have the training available to the Regions in June.

We are going to have Waterpolo running in 4 of the 8 clubs this year and Syncro in 1. Our officials are starting to gear up for clinics very early in the season to ensure that all of the spots are full and everyone is progressing through the colours to build our great contribution once again to the deck.

As always, we are looking forward to a successful season with a goal of earning the much coveted trophy back at the 2008 Provincials in Trail, BC. Good Luck to all in 2008.

**15.9 Director of Marketing**

**Neil Wuolle**

2 Boot camps – Abbotsford April 19 20 and Castlegar April 26 27

**16. Additional Business**

**16.1 Privacy Rules**

**Don Miller**

Lists to PSO's – is there an issue with submitting Lists to our PSO's

**16.2 Direct Access Funding - Update**

**Don Miller**

Application is currently in process

Bingo Funds – A movement is on to remove the active Club members from participating and in future will just apply for the funding

16.3 Electronic Communications Policy Mike Nickerson

Discussion: Do we want total control of our Website. This would mean no links that would allow contacts to other Websites.

Perhaps instead we should monitor and respond to any inappropriate sites that are linked.

There is always a risk. We need to manage and monitor not eliminate access to our site or our clubs.

We as a Board need to develop a policy and have someone monitor the Website.

Suggestion is that we research other policies and make recommendations to the Board.

Perhaps looking at Sport BC for a policy for sharing.

Don Miller will research and report back to the Board.

16.4 Website Review

Mike Nickerson

Presentation of New Design - Sat. 4:00 p.m.

Jon Cain

Web Server Move (Cost Sharing)

Jon Cain

Input was received. It is recommended that all Board Members take the time to review the sight and send in their comments and or recommendations to Mike Nickerson ASAP.

**PLEASE NOTE: All requests for Website Postings must be approved by Mike Nickerson prior to posting.**

#### 16.5 Positions up for Nominations for the AGM - 2008

President

Vice President

Secretary

Director of Officials

Assistant Director of Officials

Registrar

Director of Marketing

Director of Diving

**Nominating committee is:**

**Mike Lorusso - Chair**

**All eight Regional Directors**

16.6 Insurance – Norm Scott

Forms have been sent out for application for Directors & Officers Insurance.

Please get Clubs to fill in and submitted ASAP to the Van City Insurance 1001 Blanshard Street or the BCSSA Office.

Only exception is Colville who will purchase their own Directors & Officers Insurance and submit a proof of purchase to Janet at the Office for reimbursement. Norm is trying to negotiate a % discount. On Commercial CGL & Directors & Officers coverage.

**16.7 Item of Interest: Swimmers at Olympic Trials 2008:  
Former BCSSA Athletes : Rick Say, Brent Hayden, Chelsea  
and Rachelle Salli and Courtney and Spencer Landsiedel,  
Sadie Mattson, Cassandra Baker, MacKenzie Downing.**

17. Adjournment

**Moton to Adjourn meeting  
Neil Wuolle/ Darcy Morris  
CARRIED unanimously**