

**Board of Directors Meeting
Saturday, January 24, 2009
9:15am – 4:00 pm
Sunday, January 25, 2009
9:15am – 2:00pm**

Minutes

Saturday Meeting called to order 9:16

In Attendance: Neil Wuolle, Danny Schilds, Mike Lorusso, Stella Kosciuk, Cindi Borsoi, Norm Scott, Brenda Krueger, James Welychko, Tony Tsang, Howard Bassett, Jim Toy, Joanna Linardis, Chris Boulton, Bob Carter, Ian Milford, Trudy Kemper, Glen Terrillon, Sarah Kudaba, Linda Afford, Darcy Morris, Wendy Jordan-Olive.

Regrets: Ken Davidson.

Guests: Heather Stein, Jon Cain.

Discussion from Friday evening board session:

Committee Composition:

1. Comments

1.1 Opening remarks – Neil Wuolle

1.2 Committee Composition – Neil Wuolle

The following is a list of the current BCSSA committees and members (President is Ex-Officio of all committees);

Registrars: Made up of Regional Registrars with Provincial Registrar as chair.

Officials: Made up of Regional Director of Officials with Provincial Director of Officials as chair.

Coaches: Made up of Regional Coaches with Provincial Coaches' Rep. as chair.

Provincials: Director and Assistant Director of Competitions (Co-Chairs), Director of Officials, Director of Diving, Director of Synchro, Director of Water Polo, Coaches' Rep, Current Host Regional Director, Next Host Regional Director.

Rules and Regs: Vice-President (Chair), Director of Officials, James Welychko, Cos van Wermeskerken, Heather Stein.

Finance: Treasurer (Chair), Vice-President, President, Ken Davidson and Jon Cain.

Volunteer Recognition: Director of Member Services (Chair), Trudy Kemper, Brenda Krueger, Howard Bassett, Jon Cain.

Next 50th Celebration: Director of Member Services (Chair), Norm Scott, Bob Carter, Barry Parish, Ted Slinger, Heather Stein, Jon Cain.

Appeals Process: Ian Milford, Darcy Morris, Glen Terrillon.

Brand and Value: Ian Milford, Tony Tsang, Norm Scott.

2. Review Minutes of the October 2008 Board Meeting

MOTION:

That the minutes of the October, 2008 Board of Directors Meeting be adopted as circulated.

Moved: Norm Scott

Seconded: Brenda Krueger

Carried Unanimously

3. Business Arising

3.1 Motions Arising from October 2008 Meeting

- a) Motion to allow for Electronic Meetings
Postponed to the afternoon session.
- b) Changes to the Rules and Regulations
Postponed to the afternoon session.
- c) Rotation of Provincial Championship Meets
Will be discussed further, Jon will have the Provincials Requirements document ready for the April meeting.
- d) Parents and Volunteers being registered
Discussion centered on including Parents and Volunteers in our count as registered members. Decision was to not include these individuals in our numbers per legalities with Gaming etc.
- e) Board Member accommodations at Provincial Championship Meets. Discussed at length and will be reported on at the April meeting.

4. Director of Competitions

Tony Tsang/James Welychko

4.1 [Report \(attached to these minutes\)](#)

Discussion:

We do not have a pool contract yet but expect to have it finalized shortly. Jim is working with Walnut grove and with the school board to access the parking lot for RV parking. We can possibly get the Fort Langley campground. Will not have RV Parking Mon/Tues/Wed in Abbotsford.

Cardless meets – discussed guideline requirements and offering an experimental year before a decision is made. Clubs and Regions will be allowed to operate a cardless meet this year but Provincials 2009 will be a carded meet.

4.2 Deck Food – Coaches

Cost will be born at Regional level. We will ensure that cool drinking water will be made available.

MOTION:

To accept Colorado or Omega electronic plunger or button timing as the approved automatic judging and timing system as per section 8C and 9B of the BCSSA Rules and Regulations.

Moved: Tony Tsang

Seconded: James Welychko

Motion carried.

5. Director of Finance

Mike Lorusso

5.1 Budget and Statement 08/09 Update

Discussion: Shows the success we have achieved with the cost saving measures, we will put a breakdown in the next Newsletter to get the good word out early. Registrars and Officials savings are note worthy in helping to reduce costs. Both held “alternative” meetings (conference call and email)

5.2 Fundraising – Board Involvement

MOTION:

That each member of the BCSSA Provincial Board of Directors, including Aquatic Directors, Coaches’ Rep. and Regional Directors committee to raising no less than \$400.00 outside of any fundraising activities of their portfolios.

Moved: Mike Lorusso

Seconded: Norm Scott

Motion defeated.

5.3 Gaming Application Update

The Gaming application for the 2009-2010 fiscal will be submitted once we have received our yearend financial statements, we will be applying for a total of \$70,000 this year.

5.4 Reserve of Funds

Due to the fact that our fiscal year is March 31 but the bulk of our income comes in August, the reserve of association funds is needed. We have spoken with our auditor and he has suggested having three (3) months of operating expenses in reserve.

MOTION:

That BCSSA reserve \$50,000.00 of funds for the purpose of meeting our annual insurance obligations.

Moved: Mike Lorusso

Seconded: Danny Schilds

Discussion:

Carried unanimously.

MOTION:

That BCSSA move \$50,000.00 of available funds into term deposits for the purpose of ensuring that our insurance obligations can be met at all times.

Moved: Mike Lorusso

Seconded:

Motion withdrawn.

MOTION:

The BCSSA reserve \$75,000.00 of funds for the purpose of three months operating expenses.

Moved: Mike Lorusso

Seconded: Howard Bassett

Discussion: This has been suggested by our auditor and is common practice.

Carried unanimously.

MOTION:

That BCSSA move \$75,000.00 of available funds into term deposits for the purpose of ensuring that three months of operating expenses are always available.

Moved: Mike Lorusso

Seconded: Linda Afford

Motion withdrawn

- 5.5 Expense Claims – it is reminded that the per diem is \$45 a day but broken down as \$10 breakfast, \$15 lunch, \$20 dinner. As lunch is provided at the Provincial Board Meetings, lunch cannot be claimed (therefore a \$30 maximum is allowed for the per diem during board meetings. Only approved expenses will be paid. The 100 km limit and definition was discussed and asked that the Finance Committee provide clarification at the next meeting.

6. Director of Synchro

Christopher Boulton

6.1 Report (not available for printing)

The only rule changes are to change the use of a recorded tape to include the use of a CD. Ongoing parent training is taking place with a Ref. course held January 20, a Judges course will be held Feb 14 and 15 with Shannon Berg teaching. We are working on videoing the training to making training opportunities province wide. It is worth noting that Synchro BC has access to our judges. We could possibly have a new club in Nelson (with Thanks to Erin), Langley club has some concern, many swimmers went winter, there is a new Synchro BC Executive Director and Chris will talk to her about funding and the need to build a bridge between the two organizations. Good News/Bad News; Haney had to cut off membership due to not enough coaching / pool time.

MOTION:

That the Rules and Regulations – Synchro Section 1.8.a and Section 2.F 1 through 4 be changed to allow for the use of music CDs.

Moved: Chris Boulton

Second: Norm Scott

Discussion: Is housekeeping only, currently the rules state that music tapes are only allowed.

Carried Unanimously.

7. Director of Officials

Trudy Kemper

7.1 [Report - Attached](#)

8. Registrar

Brenda Krueger

8.1 [Report - Attached](#)

9. Secretary

Stella Kosciuk

9.1 Wavelength Article Deadline January 26, 2009

10. Director of Member Services

Cindi Borsoi

10.1 Boot camps are currently being discussed with the Regional Directors.

11. Director of Marketing

Norm Scott

11.1 Norm met with staff with the Ministry of Sport and Recreation (with Cindi on conference call) and discussed our programs and funding issues among other topics, Norm has a copy of the PowerPoint presentation he prepared should you want to see it. Ministry suggested partnering with Swim BC, Synchro BC, Dive BC and Water Polo BC to further our agenda. Norm is also looking at various advertising options. *Regional Directors:*

Please get a list of local media contacts to Norm. A subcommittee has been formed for developing a Marketing Plan. Committee members are: Norm (Chair), Chris, Jim, Joanna, Darcy.

- 12 Vice-President Danny Schilds
Discussion regarding the current constitution and the need for changes, all changes will be completed before the April Board Meeting for presentation then with a Notice of Motion for the membership. Board Size: It was discussed in detail that the size of the board is too large and the members have indicated a desire to have the size of the board looked into.

High School Athlete 10 Credit – it has been discovered that BCSSA is not approved to offer this credit while many members are receiving the credit from school counselors who are unaware of the difference between BCSSA and Swim BC (who are approved) other councilors are not allowing the credit.

MOTION:

That BCSSA complete the paperwork required to have our program included so that our members can receive Athlete 10 Credit.

Moved: Danny Schilds

Second: Norm Scott

Carried Unanimously.

MOTION:

When there are issues between board meetings it shall be acceptable practice to forward motions via email to the Board. All discussion via email shall be entered into the minutes of the next board meeting. All votes must be clear otherwise the facilitator will contact any member who was vague before the votes are published. Motion will be forwarded to each board member with a discussion period of one (1) week, if any objections are raised regarding the motion being unclear then no vote will be taken and the motion will return to the mover for clarification. Should the discussion period end with no objections the motions will be resent to the board for the vote, voting will be open for 48 hours. 75% of the board is required for a quorum and a motion must receive 75% of votes to be passed. Results will be sent to the board no later than 24 hours after the vote.

Moved: Danny Schilds

Second: Joanna Linardis

Carried Unanimously.

The following motions, will be forwarded to the general membership at the AGM in August.

MOTION:

That the position of Director of Member Services be created and filled at the 2009 AGM and to commence a two year term on Oct 1, 2009.

Moved: Danny Schilds

Second: Bob Carter

Discussion: This is housekeeping only, position has been active for a number of years but not included in any update to our constitution and by-laws.

Carried Unanimously.

MOTION:

That the job descriptions of Secretary-Treasurer, Member Services and Marketing be reviewed and realigned as necessary to be reported back by April 2009 meeting.

Moved: Danny Schilds

Second: Glenn Terrillon

Carried Unanimously.

MOTION:

That the position of Past-President be a non-voting member.

Moved: Danny Schilds

Second: Howard Bassett

Carried Unanimously.

MOTION:

That effective Oct 1, 2009 the position of Assistant Director of Competitions be eliminated.

Moved: Danny Schilds

Second: Norm Scott

Carried Unanimously.

MOTION:

That effective Oct 1, 2009 the positions of Treasurer and Secretary be eliminated from the Board of Directors and that a new position, Secretary Treasurer be installed. This position to be filled at the 2009 AGM and to commence a two year term effective Oct 1, 2009.

Moved: Danny Schilds

Second: Mike Lorusso

Carried Unanimously.

MOTION:

That the required housekeeping changes to the By-Law be made to reflect the new positions.

Moved: Danny Schilds

Second: Norm Scott

Carried Unanimously.

Danny reported on his attendance at the Swim BC Board of Directors meeting. Swim BC has a spot available on their board for a representative from BCSSA, we have not utilized that spot but now as we are looking at building a closer relationship with Swim BC we will start to send Danny as Vice-President to their meetings. A closer working relationship would benefit both organizations in areas such as marketing of the sport, discussions with various government bodies on facilities and usage and many other items.

On-line registration – discussion regarding the ability to offer online registration for all clubs or to leave it for each club to decide. Jon will collect more data and provide it at the April board meeting.

- 12.1 Non-Registered Swimmers. The Insurance Company was contacted and have agreed to allow a trial membership as long as we obtain information which is similar to that found on our registration forms.

MOTION:

That for a one year trial period beginning February 01/09, BCSSA provide a Non-Competitive Membership using the following guidelines:

- Participants must complete a registration form and that form along with a \$5.00 fee be forwarded to the Provincial Office. Registration Forms must be received by the Provincial Office by the end of the first day of activity. The Provincial Office will forward a registration number to the club within two (2) business days of receipt of the form.

Cont'd.

-Participants will be limited to five (5) try-outs, club officers to ensure that a record be kept of all dates the participant is involved with their program, such records shall be sent to the Provincial Office at the end of the registration expiry date.

-Try-out memberships will expire thirty (30) days after the registration number is issued.

-The Provincial Office may deny registration into the program for any individual who has been entered into the program more than three times in a calendar year (January to December).

-Participants in this program may not participate in any club/region/provincial swim meet without first taking out a full club membership.

Moved: Danny Schilds
Seconded: Brenda Krueger

Discussion: Clubs can decide not to offer this program.

Carried unanimously.

14 Diving
[Report – attached](#)

Joanna Linardis

MOTION:

Change Entry fee for Provincials to \$20.00 per event effective May 1, 2009

Moved: Joanna Linardis
Seconded: Jim Toy

Discussion: Regions seem to be in favour of this change.

Carried unanimously.

MOTION:

Change entry deadline for Provincials to coincide with swimming to be August 11.

Moved: Joanna Linardis
Seconded: Jim Toy

Discussion: Will require a volunteer from the mainland to help with entries.

Carried unanimously.

MOTION:

That the rule changes proposed in the Dive Report and numbered 3 – 25 be approved.

Moved: Joanna Linardis

Seconded: Jim Toy

Discussion: These changes come after discussions with all regions offering Diving and most are simple housekeeping.

Carried unanimously.

14 Director of Water Polo

Jim Toy

14.1 [Report – Attached](#)

MOTION:

That Water Polo Teams be gender specific (male only and female only)

Moved: Jim Toy

Second: Joanna Linardis

Motion Defeated.

MOTION:

That Section 2.a.3.b be changed from four (4) hours to six (6) hours, allowing for six (6) hours of training during the off season.

Moved: Jim Toy

Second: Norm Scott

Motion Carried with 3 members opposed.

15 Coaches' Representative

Sarah Kudaba

15.1 Jon Cain on behalf of Sarah Kudaba: Coaches Conference will be May 1, 2 and 3. We attempted to move the date to April however due to exams etc at the universities (where a number of coaches are in attendance) the date was kept for May. Sarah and the committee have been working very hard to sign up speakers etc. to ensure that this conference is as successful as the last two.

16 Regional Director's Report

16.1 Vancouver & District

16.2 Simon Fraser - [Attached](#)

16.3 Cariboo - [Attached](#)

16.4 Vancouver Island - [Attached](#)

Glen Terrillon

Darcy Morris

Howard Bassett

Bob Carter

- 16.5 Okanagan - [Attached](#) (Reported by T Kemper)
- 16.6 Kootenay - [Attached](#)
- 16.7 Fraser Valley - [Attached](#)
- 16.8 Fraser South - [Attached](#)

Ken Davidson
Linda Afford
Wendy Jordan-Olive
Ian Milford

MOTION:

That BCSSA accept the application for membership from Delta Diving (DDC Springboard Diving Society).

Moved: Ian Milford
Seconded: Chris Boulton

Discussion: Ian presented the required paperwork and informs the board that the region recommended acceptance.

Carried unanimously.

MOTION:

That the rules of BCSSA be changed so that Statement of facts be no longer protestable.

Moved: Ian Milford
Seconded: Wendy Jordan-Olive

Motion withdrawn

MOTION:

That the Rules and Regulations committee be directed to develop a rule removing the ability to protest Statement of Facts re: Section 12.a and report back to the board for October, 2009.

Moved: Danny Schilds
Seconded: Wendy Jordan-Olive

Carried unanimously.

17 Additional Business

- 17.1 Norm would like to see the Web Site revisited to ensure content is correct and that additional items be added. Web committee team made up of Norm, Glenn, Cindi and Jon formed. Request to Regional Directors to seek additional members – Regional Directors to provide names of interested individuals to Jon at the office by April, 2009.

17.2 Water Polo

MOTION:

Under the direction of the Director of Water Polo and 3 Regional Directors, define a procedure for presentation at the April 2009 Provincial Board meeting, which would allow for selection or invitation of additional teams to fill any vacant regional spots at the provincial championships.

Moved: Glenn Terrillon
Seconded: Danny Schilds

Carried unanimously.

17.3 Discussion related to the April meeting, should the meeting be Face to Face or Tele-conference? There are two motions which will be forwarded to the board for electronic voting as some members have left.

MOTION:

To hold normal (face to face) meeting in April.

Moved: Norm Scott
Seconded: Bob Carter

Not voted on – will be sent electronically.

MOTION:

To hold April meeting by conference call.

Moved: Trudy Kemper
Seconded: Ian Milford

Not voted on – will be sent electronically.

Meeting adjourned at 12:20 pm.

Reports:

Director of Competitions Report By Tony Tsang

The BCSSA Top 60 swims are back and have been posted on the website. It was a huge undertaking by Carl Cooper who has committed to maintain each year. All procedure, results and all relevant files are stored in BCSSA computer for future reference.

The 2009 PQT times are complete, see attached. Thanks to Ted Hope in assembling the information. The PQT time will be posted on the website shortly.



Draft 2009 BC Championships logo and preliminary venue layout are attached.

City of Abbotsford continues their support to the Championships and has assigned a project manager for the event. Championships info will be put into Abbotsford Leisure guide, Tourism Abbotsford Guide and local paper. Walnut Grove is yet to provide a draft pool rental contract.

FVOC has decided not to run their fundraising BBQ on the same night of the BCSSA 50th Anniversary Gala.

Quotes for supplies and services are being sought from local vendors.



Jan 22, 2009

**Provincial Director of Officials Report
January 12, 2009**

We had a short, effective conference call meeting on Sunday, January 11, 2009. We had all but one region represented and were graced with our VP Danny Schields.

Well, the rumblings and requests for rule changes have been held at bay for a few more weeks. It is felt that our rules are not that much different from FINA's at this time. It makes more sense to wait until the Olympic year and see what changes result then.

We have a new stroke & turn video that has been distributed to all DO s. I have seen the video and reviewed it. I am in favour of using it as a resource, right away. It is easy enough to modify in the future as we see fit. We may have another conference call later on after all DO s have had a chance to review the video.

All Regional DO s are in favour of pursuing cardless meets. Two regions are presently holding cardless meets. The Rule & Reg committee will be reviewing these regions procedures. Hopefully we can move towards all regions following the same guidelines. Presently, our rule book allows for cardless meets.

Respectfully submitted,

Trudy Kemper

Registrar's Report

| REGION | 2005 | 2006 | 2007 | 2008 |
|--------|------|------|------|------|
| CA | 385 | 340 | 354 | 284 |
| FS | 1318 | 1243 | 1176 | 1039 |
| FV | 840 | 782 | 784 | 652 |
| KO | 588 | 627 | 586 | 431 |
| OK | 868 | 808 | 706 | 622 |
| SF | 1005 | 966 | 933 | 784 |
| VD | 687 | 690 | 696 | 510 |
| VI | 1222 | 1170 | 1089 | 805 |
| | 6913 | 6626 | 6324 | 5127 |

winter
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be added

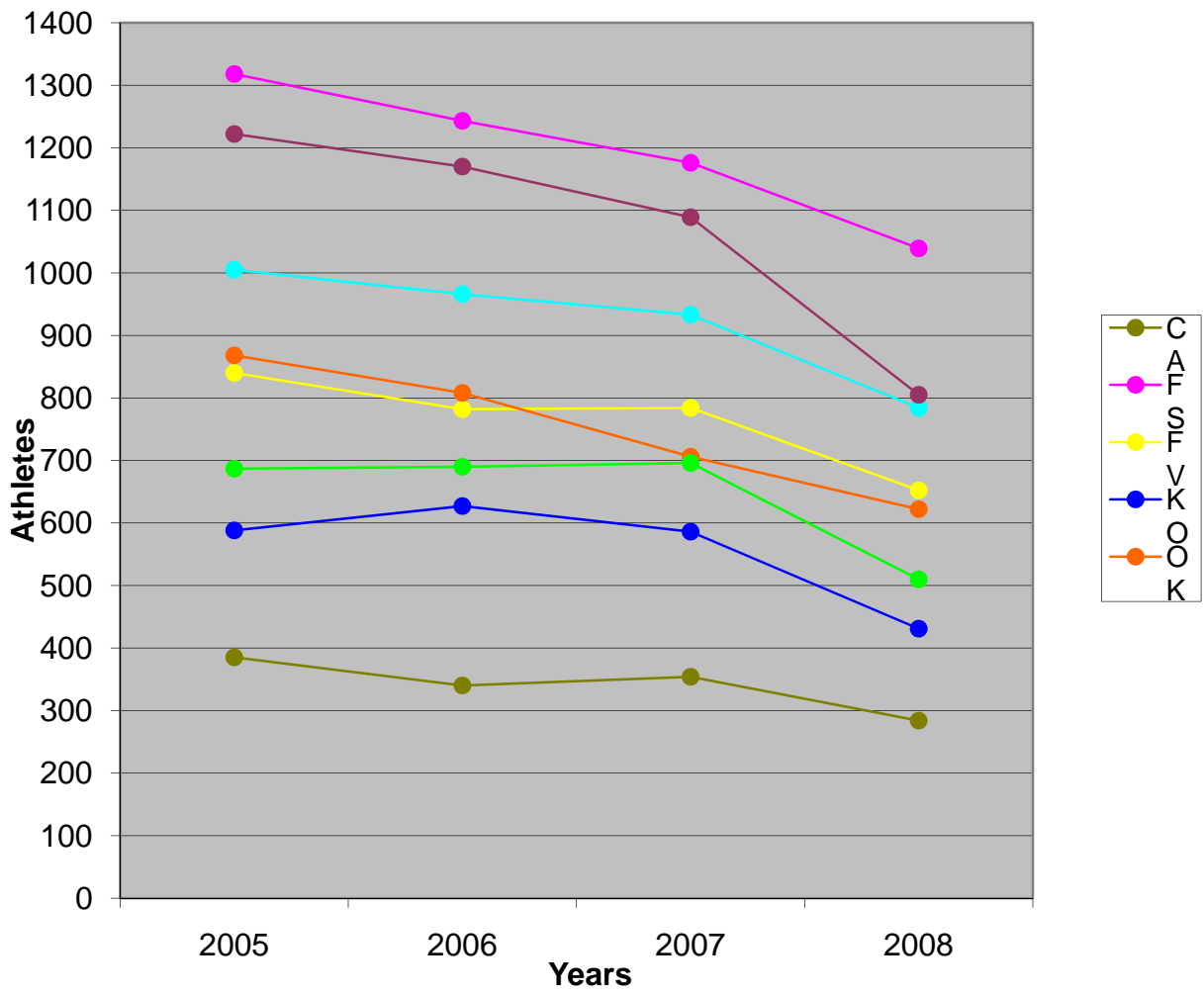
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| "O" Cat SWIMMERS | | 164 | 192 | 207 |
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| REGION | 2005 | 2006 | 2007 | 2008 |
|--------|------|------|------|-----------------------|
| | | | | winter to be added |

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| TOTAL DIVING | 57 | 71 | 91 | 90 |
| TOTAL POLO | 714 | 659 | 770 | 860 |
| TOTAL SYNCHRO | 128 | 123 | 104 | 87 |
| | | | | |
| CA | | | | |
| DIVING | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| POLO | 0 | 0 | 17 | 0 |
| SYNCHRO | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| FS | | | | |
| DIVING | | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| POLO | | 151 | 167 | 185 |
| SYNCHRO | | 13 | 13 | 13 |
| FV | | | | |

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|---------|----|-----|-----|-----|
| DIVING | | 0 | 0 | 10 |
| POLO | | 68 | 83 | 98 |
| SYNCHRO | | 40 | 24 | 28 |
| | KO | | | |
| DIVING | | 0 | 5 | 10 |
| POLO | | 68 | 21 | 125 |
| SYNCHRO | | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| | OK | | | |
| DIVING | | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| POLO | | 0 | 34 | 29 |
| SYNCHRO | | 0 | 2 | 0 |
| | SF | | | |
| DIVING | | 31 | 34 | 31 |
| POLO | | 170 | 142 | 141 |
| SYNCHRO | | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| | VD | | | |
| DIVING | | 40 | 52 | 38 |
| POLO | | 100 | 137 | 103 |
| SYNCHRO | | 52 | 49 | 35 |
| | VI | | | |
| DIVING | | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| POLO | | 102 | 169 | 179 |
| SYNCHRO | | 18 | 16 | 11 |

Registration



Diving

Diving January 2009

Officials Training Manual & Volunteer Coaches Training Manuals

Well, a first draft has been completed for both manuals, and I have hopes of circulating the draft to BC DIVING and a few Diving Coaches for feedback in the next couple of weeks. We hope to start training for these groups this summer, so let us know if your Regions are interested to have the programs run.

Provincials 2009

Provincials are coming fast! Just a friendly reminder that diving will be running our own deck food for Provincial Championships...and I will be coordinating with Cathie Melrose, of Fraser Valley to see how we will allocate/provide food for the Volunteers, Officials & Coaches!

Reminder that the Entries are due by the 4th of August!!!! This will allow for me to do the entries for the Program from home!!! IF there are sentiments that this might be TOO early, please provide your regional directors with your name and telephone number so that you may be contacted to help with the entries!

Wavelength April

We are looking for each of the REGIONS to provide a Diving Article for the Wavelength in April. These articles are my way of hopefully having a communication with diving ALL over the Province...Lets do a Meet the COACHES in the Regions. So, IF the regional directors could please submit the "MEET THE DIVE COACHES" to me no later than March 25th, I would be grateful!

Dive MEETS - 2009

Lets have the Dive Meets list in to the office ASAP, so that we may provide the entire province with the meets! Lets work together to make this the best year ever!

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| Feb 14 | Tier II | Walnut Grove | Cathie Melrose |
| March 27 -9 | | Provincials – Vancouver | BC Diving |
| May 1 – 3 | | BCSSA Coaches Conference | BCSSA |
| June 13/4 | Tier II | I. McDonald Inv. – Walnut Grove | Cathie Melrose |
| August 11 | | BCSSA REGIONAL ENTRIES DUE | BCSSA Office |
| August 18 -20 | | BCSSA Prov. (Warm up & comp) | Walnut Grove |

Coaches Conference

Coaches Conference will bring many new skills to the Diving community. There will be a LTD/PRE1 Coaching course offered throughout the weekend; an Injury prevention and strengthening component; a dryland skills development; and as in previous years there will be an athlete invitation and a judge invitation as well...stay tuned for the next wavelength!

Volunteer Required

We are looking for someone special, who is interested in shadowing the Dive Coordinator position. I would love to help someone to learn the ropes, and perhaps next

year, they could run for the position & TAKE OVER! I am more than willing to support the role! Please forward your ideas, and your recommendations!

NEW!

Reminder to review the dive minutes each time after the board meetings!

1. Diving will be providing our own deck food for the Provincials!!! Stay tuned as this will be worked on with the host team!
2. New age group for 3M was created: 8&Under 100/200/001 +1dive
3. Entry fees.
4. REVIEW the dive meet package. This will be the OFFICIAL rule bearer for the Provincials!
5. If you have any ideas for major fundraising!!! LET ME KNOW!

DIVE BC HAS MOVED:

New location:

BC Diving in the Sport BC Building

293-3820 Cessna Dr.

Richmond, BC V7B 0A2

Ph: 604-333-3661 Fax: 604-333-3450

NEW CLUB!

We have a new club in the Fraser South, welcome Delta Diving Springboard Club (DDC)! Five Regions are now Represented! Still looking to try to get Okanagan, Cariboo and Vancouver Island!

DIVING MOTIONS/HOUSEKEEPING

1. Change Entry fee for Provincials to \$20.00 per event – May 1, 2009
2. MOTION: to change the entries for Provincial Registration Deadline for Diving to 11 August in line with Speed Swimming Entries.
3. **ADDITIONS: Section 2 Dive competitions – C Regional Champs – 2 a) In the case there are less than 8 divers qualified for any one event in the Provincial Event, the top 6 divers will be invited to attend the Provincial Championships. However, only the top 3 placed athletes in the final will be awarded team points.**
4. **ADDITIONS: Section 2 Dive Competitions E Degree of Difficulty (DD) Sheet 1. This DD Sheet will be found in the current year's Official Provincial Championship Meet Package, Diving Section. 2. Only the listed dives on the DD Sheet will be permitted in competition at the Championship meets.**
5. **DELETIONS: Section 3COMPETITION PROCEDURE G DIVE SHEET 2a] 001 remove 3m only**
6. **DELETIONS: Section 3COMPETITION PROCEDURE G DIVE SHEET 2a] 002 remove 3m only**
7. **DELETIONS: Section 3COMPETITION PROCEDURE G DIVE SHEET 2 b]**

Each optional dive must have a different dive number, unless otherwise stated.

8. **CORRECTION:** Section 3 **COMPETITION PROCEDURE G DIVE SHEET 2d]** The Degree of Difficulty (DD) (refer to the current Official Provincial Championship Meet Package – Diving Portion
9. **DELETIONS:** Section 3 **COMPETITION PROCEDURE G DIVE SHEET – AGE GROUP** Dive Requirements “S” and “O”.
10. **ADDITION:** Section 3 **COMPETITION PROCEDURE G DIVE SHEET – AGE GROUP** Dive Requirements “S” and “O” (refer to the current Official Provincial Championship Meet Package – Diving Portion
11. **INSERTION** section 6 3 g] When executing a standing dive the diver must not intentionally leave the diving board with one foot. The referee shall declare this a failed dive.
12. **CORRECTION:** Section 6: Execution of the Dive A 3. f] remove & read as follows: When a diver executing a standing dive lifts his/her feet slightly off he board (crow-hopping), the Referee shall declare a “Crow Hop” and shall have 1 point deducted at the table from each of the Judge’s scores.
13. **CORRECTION:** Section 6: Execution of the Dive A 4. 2.The run shall have a minimum of two steps including the hurdle portion. This is one step plus a hop forward to the end of the diving board.
14. **INSERTION:** Section 6 – 6 – body position –e]free position: anywhere it reads pike, add tuck. (for all twisting dives)
15. **CORRECTION:** Section 6 - 7 entry to water b)feet first to read with the exception of the required Jumps: 100 & 200 ONLY
16. (will need to change many sections with the arms above the head. In principle we accept the arms above the head ONLY for 100 & 200. This is the reach position)
17. **ADDITION** age group: 8 & under – 3 m event: dive requirements: 100 200 001 plus one dive

AGE GROUPS

18. **MOTION** to add 8 & Under 3Metre event with 100; 200; 001; plus **ONE DIVE ELEMENT**
19. **MOTION** 10 & under OCAT 3M: required: 100; 200; 001 plus 3 skills minimum two directions with NO JUMPS no additional fall ins.
20. **MOTION** 11&12 1M required: 100; 200; 101; 002 or 201; 401; + 2 skills, two directions minimum; may ONLY have 1Jump or Fall in any direction + 2DIVES however NO repeat dive numbers.

21. MOTION 13 & 14 1M required: 100 or 200; 101; 201 or 301; 401+4 skills; one jump or fall in may be used; no repeat dive numbers 3 categories must be used
22. MOTION: 15 & 16: 101; 201 or 301; & 401; + 4 skills; one jump or fall in may be used, NO repeat numbers; MUST DEMONSTRATE FLIPPING – any direction;
23. MOTION: 17 – 19; 20 & Over NO repeat dive numbers
24. MOTION to add to the entire S-group 3M events: only one jump in each direction may be used as an optional dive.
25. MOTION to be permitted to have technical advisory from others in the community, to “tweek” the DD sheet.

**BCSSA Director of Waterpolo Report
January 2009**

Since the October meeting other than looking at rule changes, not much really going on. I believe the other part of the funding from BCWPA has been sent to the office.

Jim Foy

BCSSA Director of Water Polo

Okanagan Regional Directors Report January, 2009

Well here it is the beginning of a new calendar year, but really we are in the midst of our slow season. Please accept my apologies for not being able to make this meeting, however it is not often that you get the opportunity to take a course in your neighborhood and not have to travel.

The OK region had our fall meeting on November 22, 2008. We accomplished several different items that needed to be worked on. Here is a summary of some of the major points discussed:

- 1) Waterpolo – the region is hoping to initiate a waterpolo club this year sponsored by the Kelowna Ogoopogo Club. This will include members from all clubs in our region. We have asked each club to reserve pool time at their summer meets so that the polo players can learn, practice and play on a weekly basis. This is a trial year and we are not sure if we will be sending any teams to the provincials, but we will see.

- 2) Tentative 2009 Meet schedule was approved:

June 13/14 – Penticton
June 20/21 – Lumby
June 27/28 – Kelowna
June 4/5 – Golden
July 11/12 – Revelstoke
July 18/19 – Salmon Arm
July 25/26 – Merritt
August 8/9 – Regionals – Kamloops
August 17 – 23 – Provincials – Abbotsford

All of the clubs indicated that they would enjoy receiving guests for their meets; if anyone is interested please contact the individual clubs directly.

- 3) Significant discussion was held regarding the holding of our Regional meet in an indoor pool. With the addition of Kelowna's new eight lane pool in 2009 it gives the OK region two options for indoor Regionals in the future.
- 4) 2010 provincial Championship is scheduled to be held in the Okanagan Region – the region would like to have had the opportunity to hold the provincials at the new Kelowna pool, but due to timing and unknown factors at this time; the region felt it would be best to have the provincials in Kamloops in 2010 at the Canada Games Pool. The OK region would definitely like to explore the possibility of having another Provincial meet in Kelowna prior to the eight year rotation.

- 5) A 2010 Committee has initially been set up with limited members, but membership will increase in the year when the committee is more formally set up.
- 6) The region spent considerable time talking about the provision of food for the coaches during the provincial swim meet, similar to what we provide at our regular and regional meets. We would like to see that the provincial committee assumes responsibility to feed the coaches in a similar manner to the feeding of the on deck officials. We feel it was important that all coaches in the province be treated the same manner without each region doing their "own thing". One suggestion was to provide a food room as opposed to serving on deck. We also feel that the individual regions should pay a food fee per coach as part of the provincial meet fee.
- 7) The region continues to keep upgrading our timing equipment and trailer, and other than registration fees, this continually increasing cost is the largest expenditure for the region.

Have a great meeting and I hope to hear or see you at our next provincial meeting.

Ken Davidson
Regional Director
BCSSA OK Region

**Kootenay Regional Directors Report
January, 2009**

Happy New Year to All:

The Kootenay region is off to a busy and exciting year. The KO executive is busy scheduling and organizing a swim camp, coaches' clinic, officials clinic and boot camp.

All our clubs have started their winter maintenance programs. We also have our 2009 meet dates confirmed as follow:

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| June 13 th and 14 th | Nelson meet |
| June 20 th and 21 st | Trail meet |
| June 27 th | Grand Forks "B" |
| July 4 th and 5 th | Creston meet |
| July 11 th and 12 th | Colville meet |
| July 18 th and 19 th | Castlegar meet |
| July 25 th and 26 th | Kimberley meet |

Our region has decided to run all the meets with a cardless and wireless system this season. We have our very own teenage computer genius, Max Milaney and his business partner Rick Maher to guide us along. Max and Rick have developed a software program that is compatible with the Hy-Tek Pro program. We are very excited and can't wait to try out this new toy in this upcoming season.

Respectfully submitted by
Linda Afford
KO Regional Director
January 13th, 2009

Fraser South Regional Report – Ian Milford

Fraser South is in the middle of our winter maintenance program and I am pleased to report that regionally we have approximately 500 swimmers registered for winter maintenance. Our region has many new club presidents and executive members, several of whom have expressed interest in attending boot camp. We will be submitting the application of the DCC Springboard Diving Society at this meeting and fully support their request to join BCSSA.

As previously reported our region, which meets monthly, has decided upon a course of action for the upcoming season and beyond. Some key concerns and goals are;

- 1) Fostering regional support of smaller clubs to ensure viability.
- 2) As mentioned above the addition of a new diving club within Fraser South.
- 3) Ensuring prudent financial decisions continue to be made at the Provincial and Regional levels to achieve balanced budgets.
- 4) To develop a plan to reduce the size of the Provincial Board.
- 5) To champion the development of clear guidelines that specifies facility and community guidelines to host Provincial Championships.
- 6) Adoption of a clear policy regarding non-synchronous voting and the adoption of new technologies to facilitate distance or remote meetings.
- 7) Development of universal standards for officials and officiating throughout the BCSSA.
- 8) To open a discussion regarding what types of disqualifications can be protested.
- 9) Raise concern that some municipalities in Fraser South appear “hostile” to user groups in general and swim clubs specifically.

Simon Fraser Regional Report
Darcy Morris
January 24, 2009

The issues from the October meeting have been discussed at length. It is with great enthusiasm that we want to move forward with the acceptance of plunger time as electronic times. This is an important step forward to running cardless meets and making the offices more efficient and the meet result more timely and accurate.

We are also pleased that the Province is looking at cost reductions through the use of conference calls. Board size is also of concern as it appears to be a driver of increased costs to the organization. The costs of sending the whole board to the meet are extraordinary. This should be rationalized by defining roles and only those whose attendance is required should be funded.

The restriction of swim suits has been deemed unmanageable. SNC has not been able to resolve the issue so we recommend following their lead. If and when they create a manageable policy we will support this.

For change to the rules of swimming, we support the use of FINA's rules. The increased integration of families moving back and forth make this an important change. Having common set of rules will allow easier transition for swimmers and officials. We encourage a better working relationship with Swim BC and the BCSOA.

The clubs understand the desire to make waterpolo into separate sex divisions they do not believe that they can field teams with this division. There is a mixed feeling on the payment of waterpolo officials as there are concerns over cost. Ultimately the cost concerns are out weighed by the need for Synchro, Waterpolo and Diving to have quality officiating by people with out bias or appearance of bias so we support payment of officials in these disciplines.

Darcy Morris

Cariboo Region report for January 23-25 Meeting

Very little to report from the north at this time! Due to the vast distances between our clubs, we won't be having our first regional meeting until our first swim meet of the year. At this point we have a tentative schedule for our meets which is as follows;

Dawson Creek Invitational – June 6-7
Prince George Invitational – June 20-21
Quesnel invitational – July 4-5
Fort St John Invitational – July 18-19
Prince George Regional's Meet - August 8-9

The Fort St John winter club held a "Swim with an Olympian" program this past fall, which was very well attended with summer swimmers from Dawson Creek, Fort St John and Quesnel attending. Quesnel has expressed an interest in holding one of these events themselves in May, but this has not yet been confirmed.

Fast approaching are the Northern BC Winter Games and the call has been placed to all our BCSSA swimmers in the north to attend if possible. I haven't heard how many are attending from other clubs in the region, but Dawson Creek will be sending about six competitors. At last word from the organizing committee, Dawson Creek will also be supplying many of the officials for the meet at well.

We had a cold winter, like many of you, but for the past week, we had an incredibly warm spell! We're going back into the deep freeze again as I write this, but the end is in sight, the days are getting longer, and the clubs are getting their minds on the upcoming swim season again! In Dawson Creek, we have just recently confirmed the filling of our head coach position, as well as Fort St John and Quesnel.

Other than that I don't have much more information to pass along as even the e-mail was frozen here in the north, or so it would seem when I am trying to get information from my clubs!

See you all at the meeting!

Howard Bassett

Cariboo Regional Director

VANCOUVER ISLAND REGIONAL DIRECTORS REPORT FOR JANUARY 2009.

Soon after the Provincial Board meeting in October, we had our first Regional meeting of the season. We reviewed the minutes from that meeting and all seemed to be happy with the new direction of the Provincial Board. We have some challenges to deal with in regards to our meet schedule as we have more clubs than weekends to host meets. We have found in the past that attendance at meets has dropped, most likely due to higher costs for transportation and accommodations. We have tried to institute a “policy” where the meets that are hosted by clubs with outdoor pools are able to host a meet every year. In return, the thought was that part of the profit, if any, would be returned to the region for help to offset costs for our Regional Championships or coach training etc. This is a work in progress as not all clubs are in agreement with this, so stay tuned. This next season, our Regional Championships are tentatively planned for Nanaimo and or B&C Championships are scheduled for Saltspring Island. This will be the Stingrays first hosted sanctioned meet and we are all looking forward to the event. We have had some good news as of late with the notice that Port Alberni will once again have a summer club, which will be run under the Port Alberni Tsunami winter club. One of our member clubs main focuses continues to be recruitment of new members and the retention of existing members. To that end, the Nanaimo club brought forth several ideas to be used by all clubs in their membership drives. Thanks Nanaimo.

Greetings in 2009

Happy New Year from the Valley!

We are very excited to be hosting the 2009 Provincials. After taking a Christmas/Winter break the wheels of organization are starting to turn again. One might even say we are starting to resemble scurrying chipmunks! I drove by the Abbotsford Pool last week and tried to envision what it will look like in August but it still looked too much like a winter wonderland with frost hanging in all the trees. We are very happy that we are an all four discipline region for the second year in a row! Diving has been a great addition to our region. If we could now just build the disciplines at the club level it would be great. I have heard rumours of a Master's Diving Program starting seeing as our Masters Swimming Program did so well last season, but as far as I know it is only a rumour!

Most of our clubs are in full swing with winter fit programs full. Some of the clubs have next seasons coaching staff in place but I believe some are still looking. All in all the Fraser Valley is building enthusiasm and momentum for a great season.