

BCSSA – Fraser Valley Region Minutes
ARC in Abbotsford
April 29, 2009

Meeting Called to Order at 7:10pm

Members present: Mark T., Karen B., Jerry M., Madeleine M., Cos V. W., Colleen S., Charmaine G., Heather S. and Diane K.

1. Motion to receive and adopt the minutes from the last meeting by Cos, seconded by Jerry. All were in favour.
2. Business Arising from the Minutes –

Timing System –

The quote from Team Aquatics was reviewed and questions were asked. We discussed the cost and what adding the taxes would bring the final cost to. Abbotsford agreed to pay their Regional Fees early to cover the extra cost (taxes) of the new timing system. A motion was made by Colleen to accept the quote from Team Aquatics and purchase the new timing system. This was seconded by Cos. All were in favour.

Regional Relay Policy –

Mark discussed the policy and its main points.

A motion was made by Jerry to accept the Regional Relay Policy that was written by Mark. This was seconded by Charmaine. All were in favour.

3. Executive Reports
 - a. Past Director –
 - b. Director –
 - c. D Director – -Heather participated in a True Sport Seminar. Swim Canada, Gymnastics Canada and Rowing Canada were involved in the seminar. Heather will send out her report from this seminar by e-mail.
 - d. Secretary –
 - e. Director of Officials – There will be a Stroke and Turn Clinic in Agassiz in May by Dave Goodier. There will be a Stroke and Turn Clinic in Haney on May 6 by Craig Todd. Stroke and Turn training will be available at the Hands Across the River Developmental Meet on May 9. Abbotsford would like to hold a Stroke and Turn clinic sometime in May. Heather will hold a Referee and Starter Clinic sometime in May also in Abbotsford. There is a Starter/Referee clinic in North Vancouver at the North Shore Winter Club on May 3. If you are interested e-mail sokoloff@telus.net There are no new rules this year.
 - f. Treasurer –We will have a zero balance at the beginning of this year.
 - g. Computer -
 - h. 2008 Meet manager –

- i. **2009 Meet Manager –**
 - j. **Registrar – All affiliation fees have been paid. Winterfit or Winter Maintenance books need to be in by May 7.**
 - k. **Dir of Synchro –**
 - l. **Dir of Water Polo –**
 - m. **Director of Diving –**
 - n. **Coaches Rep – Mark would like to see the Coaches Conference moved to the week before the summer swimming season starts. It is in Surrey this year on May 2 and 3. Abbotsford can not send many coaches to this conference once the season has started. The coach's information needs to be sent in by May 1. The coaches must be registered.**
 - o. **Website – The relay policy will be posted on the website. Mark will send it to Craig.**
 - p. **Provincials 2009 – Karen says that there has been amazing support from Abbotsford for the Provincials. The city is organizing many things for us. There is no contract yet in Langley. There is an issue regarding whether or not we can have overnight parking at the school next door to the pool. James came down from Trail on Monday to make some suggestions. He gave a timeline of what they did in Trail for the whole week of Provincials. In order for us to make money, we need to run a concession at the meet. Our region needs to do the set up and take down for Provincials. We are also going to provide the deck food. We need two people from each club to volunteer to be on a committee to organize the concession for Provincials. Please have the names of these two people for the next meeting. Their first meeting will be at the Mission meet. It would be great if some people have their Food Safe certificate. Heather still needs someone from every club to be looking for sponsors for Provincials. She would also like to meet with these people at the Mission meet. One volunteer from each club will be needed for the Gala tent (the next fifty years). Posters will be ready in June for advertising Provincials.**
- 4. Club President's Reports**
- a. **Abbotsford – They have 187 swimmers so far plus their Master swimmers. They are starting their season on May 1. They are still trying to get their coach from Mexico here. They have Synchronized swimming this year. They would like to borrow the underwater speaker from Langley for their Synchro.**
 - b. **Agassiz – Not present – Hopefully their problems with the new pool will not materialize. Hopefully the new pool will be 6 lanes and 25 metres.**
 - c. **Chilliwack – Lost two executive members last night. Currently they only have 7 swimmers, 6 children and 1 adult. They have already done 3 fundraisers. They have tried many different things to increase their membership and so far none of them have worked. They have hired two coaches because it is not safe to just have one coach at their pool. The Chilliwack meet may be moved to another day but will probably be cancelled this year.**

- d. Haney – They hired a synchro coach last week who is nationally certified. Tonight is their info night. The number of swimmers is way down compared with last year. They seem to only have about 10 swimmers who are division 4 and up. Most of their senior swimmers went to water polo.**
- e. Langley – The pool is currently being filled with water. They will be swimming out of Walnut Grove for their first week. They have only hired 2 co-head coaches until they find out how many swimmers they will have this season. They are advertising for their swim club through word of mouth. They will be having a mini meet for their Little Flippers.**
- f. Mission – Their coaches have been hired for the season. They start this Friday. They have a lot of new families this year from 6 and under to division 3.**

5. New Business:

- 6. The next executive meeting will be held on: Wednesday, May 27th at 7:00pm at the ARC.**
- 7. Motion to adjourn by Jerry @ 8:45pm, this was seconded by Cos. All in favour.**