

BCSSA – Fraser Valley Region Minutes
City Blends, Abbotsford
October 1, 2008

Meeting Called to Order at 7:30pm

Venue changed from the ARC in Abbotsford to City Blends in Abbotsford.

Members present: Heather S., Colleen S., Rita H., Darshan C., Mark T., Wendy JO., Linda Z., Cos V., John B., Ann S. and Diane K.

- 1. Receive and adopt the minutes from the last meeting on July 2, 2008 – Motion to adopt by Heather, seconded by Rita.**
- 2. Business Arising from the Minutes – We need suggestions brought forth regarding what should be done for Greg Giles.**
- 3. Executive Reports**
 - a. Past Director – Absent**
 - b. Director – Wendy – We are hosting provincials really soon. We need to get working on this. This Sunday at 9:00am there will be a meeting at the Walnut Grove Pool with the meet manager Tony Tsang from BCSSA. Venue contracts need to be completed. We also need sponsorships, hotels etc... We need one person from each club on the planning committee for provincials. We had a strong showing this year at provincials. We need to set dates for our meets at the next meeting. You need to come to the next meeting with your 1st and 2nd choice. We also need to discuss the reciprocal agreement that we have within our region. Please discuss both of these at the club level. For our meetings – Wednesday seems to work better for most people than Monday. We need to do a poll on what day you each prefer.**
 - c. D Director – Heather – Nothing to currently report.**
 - d. Secretary – Diane – Nothing to currently report.**
 - e. Director of Officials –**
 - f. Treasurer – Colleen – Most of the Regional bills are paid. Provincials are also paid.**
 - g. Computer – Raj – Absent – We need a letter written that can be taken to potential sponsors with the requirements needed for a new timing system. We would like the new timing system available for our first meet next year so all the bugs are worked out before Provincials.**
 - h. 2007 Meet manager – Absent**
 - i. 2008 Meet Manager – Absent**
 - j. Registrar – Absent**
 - k. Dir of Synchro – Absent**
 - l. Dir of Water Polo – Absent**
 - m. Coaches Rep – Mark – The Regional Relay Policy will be worked on this year and brought back to a Regional Meeting. The new Regional Relay**

Policy will be in the meet package this upcoming season. The format from the Abby swim meet was well liked by most of the coaches because it gave each heat more competition.

- n. Website – Absent
 - o. Provincials in 2009 – The first meeting of this season will be on Sunday, October 5th at the Walnut Grove Pool at 9:00am. Trail received their scoreboard from sponsorship. It is figures that our region could profit approximately \$15,000 to \$20,000 from holding Provincials. One idea from Mike to fundraise is to sell space for advertising banners along the railing by the road at the Abby pool during Provincials.
 - p. Diving – Presented by Rita – Summer swimmers can train with the Fraser Valley Diving Club, which is out of Walnut Grove in Langley. Most of their meets are on the weekdays. The coaches for diving are Costa and Ashley. BCSSA members can try diving for a hour free of charge, possibly on Wednesdays. We need to check with BCSSA how many hours of diving a summer swimmer can do in the winter. There seemed to be a difference of opinion.
4. Club President's Reports
- a. Abbotsford – Absent – Winter fit has started and has over 100 swimmers. Their AGM was last week and their first executive meeting is next week. Mark is the head coach for next year. Six high schools are being coached as well.
 - b. Agassiz – Their new president is Ann Staiger – Agassiz is looking to boost their membership. Their Winter fit is starting in January. They have their Junior Coaches returning next year. They are looking for a new Head Coach. They have lane ropes for sale including some replacement parts.
 - c. Chilliwack – Dar – Their AGM is this Saturday. They will have a new executive. They are looking for a meet manager. Chilliwack is trying to get more people involved. They started Winter fit last Tuesday and are looking for 1 to 2 coaches.
 - d. Haney – Heather – Their Winter fit has started and they have 50 swimmers. Diane Lego is coaching. Their AGM is on October 25th.
 - e. Langley – Cos – Martin was absent – Their winter maintenance is going well. They have lots of younger swimmers. They had their AGM a couple of months ago and their awards night/dance on the weekend. The number of best times was lower this year. They have not had a lot of change on their executive.
 - f. Mission – Linda – We have a new executive that was elected on our awards night at the AGM. Our first executive meeting will be this Monday.
5. New Business:
- a. We need a Provincial Organizing Committee - The meeting is Sunday at 9:00am at the Walnut Grove Pool.

- b. Timing System – How are we going to buy the new timing system? We need to design a letter that can be taken to businesses asking for donations. The letter needs to explain what the money is needed for etc...**
- 6. The next executive meeting will be held on: Wednesday, October 29th at 7:30pm at the ARC.**
- 7. Motion to adjourn @ 8:45pm.**