

# Nanaimo White Rapids Swim Club

## Board of Directors Meeting MINUTES

### 8 July 2004

This meeting was brought to order at 7:10 pm by Steve Beerman (Past President). The following Directors were present: Jane Barron, Rick Heikkila, Lana Fitzpatrick, Nancy McGuire, and Marise Wickman. Co-Head Coaches, Brian Nishi and Sheila Galloway, were also present. Steve Elwood was present for a short time to update the BOD under item 4d.

**1. Approval of the Agenda:** carried

**2. Approval of the Minutes:** carried

**3. Correspondence:** A thank-you note was received from David Heikkila for the NWRSC Scholarship.

**4. Reports:**

**a. Treasurer's:** Jane presented the Balance Sheet for this month (on file). Net Income in the Club Account is \$28,745 and there is \$10,028.17 in the Gaming Account. Jane reported that revenues and expenses are in line with the budget for 2004. Another major expense at this time of the year is the \$7424 BCSSA registration fees for our club (232 swimmers x \$32 each). She has billed all clubs for meet fees for the Nanaimo Meet and awaits payment. Although it looks like the Nanaimo Meet made a good sum of money for the club, Jane will report back to the BOD on exact profits after all expenses and revenues are in. There have been several problems with apparel orders, and Jane is working with Nancy (and the Apparel Committee) to pay for items received and cancel outstanding orders.

**b. Coaches':** Apparel for the new coaches has not arrived and alternative supplier will be found. There was also a problem with the orange coach shirts. Coach apparel will be given priority. There were 167 club swimmers, including novices, in the Nanaimo Meet, which is an increase from last year. Coaches were very pleased with the attendance. The Board was also very pleased with all of the coaches' efforts during the long hours of the two-day meet. Only 40 swimmers are signed up for this weekend at the Juan de Fuca meet, and 8 will attend the Saltspring the following weekend.

Sandcastle Day at Rath Trevor Beach is on Wednesday July 14<sup>th</sup>. The All Nite Relay has been changed to Thursday night July 15<sup>th</sup>. It is open to Div 5 and up swimmers. Hell Week is scheduled for the week of July 19<sup>th</sup>. Events are: Boot Camp on Monday, Long Lake Swim on Tuesday, Triathlon on Wednesday, Eagle Point Steps on Thursday and Caledonia Track / Beach Volleyball on Friday. There will be no exceptions to the Hell Week Attendance Rule.

Coaches are already planning for the Regional Championships in Victoria on Aug. 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, and 8<sup>th</sup>. They figured that our club needs an attendance of about 120 swimmers to stay in the competition for the Regional Ray Newman Trophy. The BOD agreed to support the coaches in promoting the Regional event, along with the B & C Regional Championship the following weekend.

Brian has begun a volunteer coaching program with 8 individuals. There are training sessions, pool sessions and a contract to sign to show a level of commitment. The BOD thanked Brian for getting this program off the ground.

**c. Pool Operations:** A valve was replaced by the City. The Swim Lesson program has begun and response is good. There is a Lifeguard Competition on Saturday July 17<sup>th</sup> for pool staff (1-6pm).

- d. **Water Polo:** Steve Elwood reported that the P2 Tournament held at our pool on Wednesday July 7<sup>th</sup> was a success. Three teams attended, and played three games in four hours. Nanaimo lost both games to Victoria but got excellent experience. Referees were paid and a plaque was purchased for the winning team, so the tourney broke even. Steve thanked the club for making the pool time available for this tourney. Although there is some talk of an impromptu polo tourney on Saturday night after the Juan de Fuca swim meet, details are sketchy. The next big polo tourney is a P1 to P4 Island Tourney open to all players on the Friday of the Campbell River swim meet (July 23<sup>rd</sup>), from 4 to 8pm.

A Motion was made by Rick, seconded by Lana and carried to accept the reports presented at this meeting.

## 5. Old Business

- a. **Nanaimo Swim Meet:** Nancy lead a de-briefing discussion of the swim meet and ways to improve it for next year (report on file).
- b. **Nominating Committee:** It is time to strike this committee to prepare nominations for Board members for the 2004 – 2005 season. There was a review of the policy re: this committee. Jane Barron volunteered to Chair this committee and sit as the required BOD member. She will consult with the membership to find the required non- BOD member and the past BOD member to sit on this committee. She will report to the BOD on her progress. The Board of Directors must have at least seven and no more than fifteen directors.

## 6. New Business

- a. **Promotion of Regional Championships:** Lana volunteered to write up a promotional news release to go out by email early next week. Ideas like “a countdown to Regionals” and other activities were discussed. The BOD agreed that this is a priority for the club.
- b. **B & C Championships at Nanaimo:** moved to next meeting
- c. **Social / Spirit Committee Chair vacancy:** moved to next meeting
- d. **Grant application:** Nancy briefly discussed the chance to apply for funding from Telus. Coaching staff suggested purchasing new bungee cords and supplementing the pool mat funding. The BOD approved this idea and encouraged Nancy to continue with this application.

7. **Upcoming Events:** see Coaches’ Report for details

8. **Calendar of Events - BOD:** skipped

9. **Adjournment and Date for next meeting:** The next BOD meeting is on Thursday July 22<sup>nd</sup>, 7pm. Rick made a Motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:15pm. It was seconded by Nancy and carried.