

## MINUTES OF SAQ BOARD MEETING, MAR. 27/06

Present at the meeting were Brenda Weselowski, Laurie Wachs, Dianne Janzen, Brent Burbridge, Jan Osborne, Roxanne Pearson, Lisa Leaper, Raylene Matlock, Wanda Burbridge, and Warren Lindbergh.

The agenda and the minutes from the previous meeting were unanimously adopted.

### FINANCIAL REPORT:

The bank account currently is sitting at about \$4,000.00. Raylene advises that we need to keep money in the general ledger so that we will be able to pay Laurie over the summer. We cannot use the bingo funds for this. Only pool costs can be put through the bingo account.

### TRAVEL REPORT:

Jan has the travel arrangements made for Westerns and Nationals. The Tier 3/4 team has also organized their flight and hotel for their trip to London.

### MEET MANAGER'S REPORT:

The Tier 1-5 Provincials has a deadline of March 31, 2006 for entries. The meet will run on Saturday, Apr. 29th from Noon –5 PM and Sunday, April 30th 8:30 AM - 12:00 PM. These times may change a bit once we have all the entries in. There will probably be more swimmers at this meet than were at Sask Invite. The meet is open to rec swimmers as well. Our rec swimmers will probably preswim.

2007 Westerns are to be held in Saskatoon from March 29-April 1.

### FUNDRAISING REPORT:

The Boryski's meat fundraiser is currently being run. There will be a BBQ fundraiser at the Coop on 8<sup>th</sup> Street on Saturday, April 8. The next BBQ will be on July 15 at Sobey's (Preston Crossing?)

### HEAD COACH'S REPORT:

Pool cancellations at HBAC are as follows: April 2, 8, 9, 14 (Good Friday), 16 (Easter Sunday), and May 6 from 5-7PM.

Extra pool times have been booked over the Easter break: Wed. April 19 from 9:00AM-noon, Thurs. April 20 from 9:00-11:00AM and Fri. April 21 from 11:00AM-1:00PM.

May 12 will be the last day of swimming for the Aquagiggles and May 13 will be the last day of swimming for the rec program. May 31 will be the last day for Tier 1 and June 4 the last day for Tier 6.

The Spring water show will be held on Sunday, May 7<sup>th</sup> from 5:00-7:00 PM. There will be no charge for admission, but we will have a silver collection. Swimmers are encouraged to “bring a friend” to the show; they can join the synchro swimmers in the pool for a swim when the show is over. There will also be a 50:05 draw during the show.

#### NEW BUSINESS:

Awards committee: Lisa is in charge of this committee. Wanda will help collect trophies; Raylene and Lisa will work on writing up the awards.

Coaches' wages: Minimum wage will increase to \$7.55/hour effective March 1, 2006. It was decided to raise all coaches' wages by 7%. This will mean an added expense of \$200-250/month. Raylene moved to adopt the wage increase, and Dianne seconded. Approved.

Video Camera: Our video camera is working well. The board is considering buying another camera in the fall. We also need a new tripod.

Commemorative Medal: Marnie Eistetter was presented with this medal from Synchro Canada. The SAQ will send her a card to congratulate her.

Aqua Squirts Info: All swimmers that participate need to be issued a certificate. Brent and Lisa are working on creating certificates for all swimmers.

Summer Program: There will be some summer programs. The Canada Games team will be training this summer at HBAC, and Laurie suggested that we “piggy-back” the summer camp swim times onto the games pool times. Laurie will check with the coaches to see who would be interested in doing some coaching this summer.

#### Stereo System:

The tape deck and C/D player at the phys-ed pool work, but the amp does not. Warren will check with Pippin Electronics about repair, as this was where the system was purchased. In the meantime, we will try to make do by using the sound system from the YWCA when we have practices at the phys-ed pool. A new system would cost about \$3,500.00.

Fashion Show: Wanda would like to organize a fashion show this fall, featuring some of our swimmers and coaches as models. This would likely be held early in the fall. Possible dates: September 24 or October 1?

Synchro Sask: 1) The S.S. AGM will be held in Saskatoon on Saturday, June 17, 2006. Raylene will assist Brenda W. and Lorraine Johnson to organize the meal, etc. 2) Synchro

Sask needs to know about events being held by our club so that they can issue certificates to venues for insurance purposes. 3) Synchrono Sask feels that there is a discrepancy between the amount that the SAQ paid for volunteer affiliations and the number of volunteers that are in the club i.e. they don't think that the club paid enough. The board will need to discuss this issue at their next meeting.

Synchrono Canada's Request for Funds: Synchrono Canada has informed the SAQ that the club owes them \$1,000.00 to help pay for Jessica Guenther's membership on the 2005 13 - 15 year old National Team. The SAQ was not made aware of this fee until recently. The board is reluctant to pay this as the club never signed a contract stipulating that we agreed to pay this money, nor did the Guenthers sign on our behalf. We need to do some research on this: are other clubs in a similar situation? Did Regina pay for their national athlete a few years ago? Where is the contract that was signed by the Guenthers? Raylene will contact Kathleen from Synchrono Sask about this matter. The club and &/or families of these athletes may need to look for sponsorship in the future.

Pool Temperature: There have been some complaints about the pool temperature at HBAC. Some of the younger swimmers are finding the pool too cold and they don't want to swim because of this. Laurie or Raylene will talk to Bruce about this. If this can't be improved, perhaps the affected teams should swim at the YWCA where the water is warmer.

**NEXT BOARD MEETING:** Monday, May 8, 2006 at 7:00 PM at Raylene's.