



# Edmonton Keyano Swim Club

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## **Board of Directors Meeting**

Date: July 31, 2023

Time: 7:00pm - 8:30pm

Presiding: Ian Boreyko

Location: Via Google Meet

Recorder: Kristi Williams

**Attendance:** Ian Boreyko, Cian O'Kelly, Ryan Mo, Shannon Loughran, Chris Nelson, Paul Birmingham, Sara Pretzlaff, Cathy Shepherd-Finlin, and Kristi Williams

**Regrets:** Erica Solomon

### **1. Welcome and Call to Order**

Ian Boreyko welcomed the board members. It was determined that we had a quorum in order to conduct all business. The meeting was called to order at 7:13 pm.

### **2. Agenda**

A motion was made by Shannon Loughran that the agenda be approved as circulated. The motion was seconded by Cathy Shepherd-Finlin. All in favour.

**MOTION CARRIED**

### **3. Approval of Minutes from Previous Meetings**

#### **3.1 Approval of Minutes from June 26, 2023**

- One correction needs to be made regarding attendees. With the correction noted, Kristi Williams made a motion to approve the June 26, 2023 minutes. Shannon Loughran seconded the motion. All in favour.

**MOTION CARRIED**

## 4. New Business

### 4.1 Alberta 2030 Commonwealth Games Bid

- Sara Pretzlaff lead the discussion regarding the City of Edmonton's request for Letters of Support from local organizations for the bid to host the 2030 Commonwealth Games.
- The City of Edmonton has provided a "template" letter which we can follow.
- The Games would be co-hosted with Calgary.
- We are not committing to anything by writing a letter of support.
- Chris Nelson has previously written a similar letter in support of Pan Pacific Games.
- All members of the board were in favour of writing a letter of support for the bid.
- Sara Pretzlaff , along with Chris Nelson , will write the letter on behalf of the Keyano Swim Club.

## 5. Ongoing Business

### 5.1 2023-2024 Budget

- Chris Nelson and Ryan Mo presented the Budget.
- Essentially the 2023-2024 budget is a "balanced budget", although it shows a \$40,000 deficit.
- This deficit is a factor of casino scheduling; when we host a casino, we budget for an additional \$40,000 in revenue.
- Chris Nelson is proposing a small increase in fees; \$4.00 per member, per month, which needs to be approved by the board. Paul Birmingham agreed that small increases year to year, which reflect the clubs' increased costs, are preferable to a one time large increase in fees.
- The club is anticipating less grant money (-\$39,000) this year.
- There was some discussion regarding how some revenue/expenses are documented in the budget. Chris hopes to correct this for next year in order to make the reading of the budget more straightforward.
- Keyano is budgeting an increase in Bingo revenue for next year; this reflects the inclusion of money from a "stale casino account" which we have to use this year, in addition to anticipating increased revenue per Bingo event this year. The club will maintain the same Bingo commitments per group this year and there should be enough events available for all members to meet their commitments.
- Overall, the budget is well balanced and the only concern is its presentation.

Sara Pretzlaff made a motion to approve the increase in fees of \$4.00 per member, per month for the upcoming 2023-2024 swimming season. The motion was seconded by Cian O'Kelly. All members were in favour.

**MOTION CARRIED**

## 5.2 Standing Reports

### 5.2.1 Head Coach Report - Paul Birmingham

- EKI was a success - good feedback from coaches and swimmers.
- CA sectionals and Far Westerns were well received and we were able to send a larger team than we would have sent to nationals.
- Keyano swimmers were very successful at summer provincials - our investment in development swimmers is showing.
- Paul has met with Brad Badger (City of Edmonton) regarding the replacement of the headwall in the DSM. Paul has asked that if the headwall is finished earlier than scheduled (January 2024), can the DSM move to Long Course format earlier? Brad agreed in principle to this. Paul has also requested LC format for Tuesday mornings (keep LC from Monday then change to SC after Tuesday morning practice). Brad will look into this request.
- Ian Boreyko reported that he has met with some City Councillors regarding the importance of competitive swim clubs to the sustainability of pools and swimming in the city. He has plans to meet with Brad later this week.
- Emma Finlin had a great swim in 1500m and in the World Championship Open Water race.
- Do we need a Board Member to attend the Swim Alberta conference? 6-8 coaches from Keyano will attend.
- Francois Coetzer is leaving the club at the end of the summer. Roger Hanna (from Calgary) has been hired as a replacement.

### 5.3.2 General Manager Report - Chris Nelson

- Chris Nelson said that the audit is ongoing.
- Most of the coaching staff has been hired for the upcoming season.
- Boonie Doon and Terwillegar have scheduled closures this fall; we have space at other pools available for all displaced groups during the closures.

## 6. Upcoming Meetings

- Our next meeting will be scheduled for Monday, August 28, 7:00pm - 9:00pm.

## 7. Roundtable

- Shannon Loughran said that the Bylaw Update email needs to be sent out in September, prior to the next AGM.
- Ian Boreyko will review the email which was previously drafted.

## 8. Adjournment

- Jill Edwards motioned to adjourn the meeting. All in favour.

**Meeting adjourned at 8:32 pm.**

