



NRST Annual General Meeting Minutes

Oct.12th, 2022 7pm at the Nanaimo Aquatic Centre

Facilitator: Marcel van den Berg **Note taker:** Kristen Catton

Attendees: Sean Pendergast, Cheryl Morch, Tanya Evans, Chelsey Flood, Nadia Elzinga, Noelle Hearsey, Michael Armstrong, Karla Wiebe, Jessica Chalker, Tricia Webber, Marc Riddell, Lisa Cajolet, Yanick Cajolet, Aileen Saunders, Tim Fairweather, Jennifer Fairweather, Tanya Evans, Jacqui de Jong, Kate Palmer, Eric Beaudoin, Jay Barberie, Marny Hals, Robert Cottrell, Kurt Feschuk, Erin McPherson, John Beever, Cari Gong, Dale Van Der Mark, Erin Lutz, Karmen Yee, Gillian Riddell, Mandy Paproski, Brie Rhind, Roberta Roos
Non voting member: Jeremy Orton

Staff: Scott Flood, Katrina Pellegrino

Meeting called to order: 7:04pm

Agenda item: Review of minutes from 2021 **Presenter:** Marcel van den Berg

Thank you to the head coach and coach team for last year. There are some new policies from SwimBC that have already been adopted. See website for more information.

Motion to accept minutes by Dale Van Der Mark, seconded by Rob Cottrell

Agenda item: Treasurer's report **Presenter:** Jeremy Orton

All year end financial documents reviewed. See documents attached to Agenda.

Motion to accept financials by Dale Van Der Mark, seconded by Karla Wiebe

Agenda item: Coaches Report **Presenter:** Scott Flood

Highlights from the past year:

- Olympic Way up and running with large backlog of children waiting for lessons and lack of

shallow water available

- 538 members through the program last year with challenging covid restrictions
- Swim meets difficult with changing restrictions, however City has been very helpful and accommodating
- 9 swimmers and coaches graduated with 4 of them moving on to varsity
- NRST hosted the first SwimBC Provincial meet in 20 years
- We are running team events again such as Blue and Gold night as well as the year end BBQ with 350 people
- Multiple performance highlights for swimmers

Goals: Become one of the top age group programs in BC

- All goals reviewed
- Staff turnover is a huge challenge as 30 staff went through the program last year
- Proud to be on the team and part of Riptides

Agenda item: Officials report **Presenter: Tanya Evans**

Many volunteer changes last year due to Covid. This year we should have a full slate on deck as swim meets. All on deck need to be qualified. It is always a struggle to find enough volunteers. Reviewed the process for courses needed to volunteer. We will need 60 people per swim session for swim meets. Also looking for someone to shadow the officials coordinator position this coming year.

Agenda Item: New Business **Presenter: Marcel van den Berg**

Introduction of Board and two retiring board members: Rob Cottrell (Equipment manager) and Jeremy Orton (Treasurer)

Need for two board members: Erin McPherson and Lisa Cajolet have been nominated

Also need two event coordinators: Karla Weibe and Erin Lutz have agreed to take on the position.

Meeting adjourned at 8:11pm