The NBOC meeting will be held VIA TEAMS!!. *We would like to see at least one rep from each club*

By our terms of reference, each club representative has one vote, as does all active officials who have completed the Referee Questionnaire

Swim NB NBOC Meeting
TEAMS meeting online
Saturday, Sept 16th, 2023, 2:00 PM – 5:00 PM (AST)
NBCC Miramichi

Minutes - draft

1. Introductions

a. Round table introductions

Attendees:

Gary Losier, Chair NBOC level 5, unattached Amy Esson, Vice Chair NBOC level 3, CNBO Robert Taylor, Level 4, unattached Mike Hussey, Level 4*, TIDE Marco Chaisson, Level 4, unattached Dave Richard, Level 4, CNBO Gary Moore, Level 5^, FAST Anne Lebouthieller, Level 3, BLAST Blair Rowbotham, Level 2, CVAC Lynn Sitland, Level 5, SSAC Cynthia Duguay, Level 4, FAST Gordonna Hache, Level 4, BOD/CNBO Jodie Lowe, Level 5*, BOD/unattached Jocelyn Dowling, AQUA Kristen Bergeron, AQUA

* pending ratification by NBOC

2. Elections: Chair, Vice Chair and Registrar/Secretary

a. New executive to preside over rest of meeting

Nomination for Chair received for Gary Losier. All in favour – unanimous

Nomination for Vice Chair received for Amy Esson. All in favour – unanimous

Nomination for Secretary/Registrar received for Dave Richard, and Marco Chaisson. Both parties accepted the nomination with Dave Richard leading, and Marco Chaisson providing supporting role. Registrars' activities will be shared through the province to support teams north/south.

b. Approval of Agenda

The agenda was adopted without changes, unanimously

[^] returning official

c. Approval of minutes (Bathurst Meeting)

Quorum was not held at the Bathurst meeting. No official minutes were kept for review.

3. Role of Club Official Reps

a. Q&A and review responsibility

Discussion on roles and responsibilities for club representatives/ officials coordinators identified the need for a guidance document. How to complete/maintain an officials record, where support team is location, how to use the RTR and how to access SwimNB and NBOC support team and request attendance at NBOC meetings as scheduled.

Action: Gary L to circulate a previous role description to the NBOC members for update and review.

Action: Dave R to look for the RTR guidance for officials records and share with NBOC members or provide summary.

Action: Amy E/Dave R: to coordinate the draft role description and circulate. Draft target date for review at AGM weekend.

Action: Jodie to contact Jill for updated club contact list as registration of teams progresses.

4. Clinic Updates

a. Online clinic - Swim Canada- OK? Issues? Etc

Swim Canada has updated many of the online clinic presentations to reflect the new rules and work completed after the strategic review. Of note, is the splitting of the Stroke and Turn clinic into 2 parts; Inspector of Turn (recommended first) and Judge of Stroke (recommended second).

Presentation to the senior officials by Swim Canada was held on September 14, 2023 to roll out the new clinics. Presentation format includes new visual/video demonstrations (accessible by the PSO only at this time). Trainers looking to present the new clinics should contact the NBOC for information. French translations of the new clinics are expected by mid-October 2023; are in translation at this time and will be posted to the SNC website as soon as available.

b. Any teams require assistance with clinics/training/mentoring?

NBOC agreed to review the meet calendar and contact the officials coordinators/team hosting meets this year to discuss. Further discussion at the AGM meetings will be undertaken to identify needs and assign senior officials for support.

c. Any more clinic required at AGM weekend Sept 30

The Meet Manager clinic to be held at Miramichi, NB prior to the NBOC meeting was cancelled due to Hurricane Lee. Meet Manager will be held in the NBOC time slot at the AGM in Moncton September 30, 2023 from 10 am to 12 pm. All are welcome.

Referee clinic candidates will be contacted and identified at the AGM meeting. An in-person session and clinic will be presented at a later date.

Candidates for completion / invitees for 2023-2024 referee clinic include:

Paulo Levesque*

Gaetan Richard*

Vona MacMillan*

Amy Esson*

Dale Esson*

Bill Pasch, TIDE

Blair Rowbotham, CVAC

Anne Lebouthieller, BLAST

Nadine Beaulieu

Marie Claire Nardini

Bridgette St. Onge

* clinic previously taken

5. Official Development and Engagement

a. Swim NB Budget available - link to Participation and Capacity building

This item has been tabled at this time, and will be further discussed with the training calendar at the AGM. Funding is ear-marked for official development for the 2023-2024 season to support national deck experience required to advance from a level 4 to level 5, and for inter-provincial support.

New expense form will be available on the SwimNB website for submission and release at the AGM.

b. Nametags /Pins etc. -

Name tags have been discussed in the past, and are generally not worn by other provinces for safety/anonymity of officials on deck, including at national events. NBOC agreed that referees for a deck session should continue to wear nametags to help new swimmers, and technical teams identify the senior official on deck for a given session. Nametags for all Level 4 and 5 candidates will be ordered by NBOC and paid for by SwimNB's officials development budget.

Action: Jodie to source the name tags and lanyards for referees, and provide quote for funding to NBOC leadership for approval.

c. Red shirt for senior deck officials- Confirm all positions Lvl2

Red shirts are encouraged for all level 2 and above deck positions per Swim Canada guidance.

d. New Level 4 or 5

i. Jodie Lowe – Feb 2023

Ratification by NBOC completed. Unanimous.

ii. Mike Hussey – May 2023

Ratification by NBOC completed. Unanimous.

6. Senior official meet assignment - Meet calendar review

- a. Incentive program ideas?
- b. Need to assign referees/starter or Computer to clubs that do not have capacity?
- c. Senior official for mentoring

This item has been tabled until the AGM. Training requirements will be discussed with club representatives at the AGM and a calendar of events will be provided to support team and official development. Meeting to take place between 12 pm and 3pm September 30, 2023.

7. Other/New Business

None.

8. Time and Place of Next meeting-

The next meeting of the NBOC and officials at large will take place at the AGM, September 30, 2023.

No other meeting dates have been set at this time.