NBOC Meeting October 14, 2017 Crowne Plaza Moncton, Executive Room Moncton,NB

Meeting Minutes

Attendance

NBOC Committee

NBOC Chair – Absent

NBOC Vice Chair - Absent

NBOC Secretary – Gary Losier (Tide)

Swim Team

CNS – Nathalie Hache

CNBO – David Anderson

CNBO – JP Dorris

CVAC- Larry Breau

CVAC - David Richard

CVAC – Trevor Douthwright

FAST – Jodie Lowe

FAST – Bill Morrison

LES- Daniel Robichaud

NES – Paulo Levesque

Swordfish – Tracy-Lynn Eastwood

The following team did not have an official present:

AQUA, BLAST, GOT, MWC, SSC and WVST

Information The NBOC Secretary welcomed all to the NBOC meeting and advised all present that the current Chair (Paul Berry) and Vice Chair had both taken a year off from officials' duties and that a new committee would have to be voted in to start the meeting. Chair: Gary Losier (TIDE) was nominated by Larry Breau (CVAC) and was seconded by David Anderson (CNBO). Gary accepted his nomination and the vote was unanimous. Vice Chair: Bill Morrison (FAST) was nominated by Larry Breau (CVAC) and was seconded by Jodie Lowe (FAST). Bill accepted his nomination and the vote was

unanimous.	
Secretary/Registrar: JP Dorris (CNBO) volunteered for the position. The Chair accepted his nomination and the vote was unanimous.	
No new items were added to the agenda.	
Previous Minutes	
Open Water Clinic – Bill Morrison reported that Swim Canada has developed and published the Open Water Clinic. The clinic is currently in translation and should be available shortly.	Information
Officials Pathway – Swim Canada has reviewed and published the official's pathway. Swim NB pathway currently varies from the Swim Canada pathway. It was proposed that Swim NB adopt the same pathway as Swim Canada for it's officials. Dorris/Breau – Motion Carried	Action
Minutes of previous meeting October 15, 2016 held in Edmunston during the Swim NB AGM were reviewed and approved. Anderson/Douthwright - Motion Carried	Information
Role of Club Official Rep The chair quickly highlighted the responsibility of the club officials rep and placed emphasis on the need of all club to update the Swim Canada Officials data base. The registrar will be reviewing the process and provide feedback to the Club Officials rep on way ahead to ensure compliance with Swim Canada.	Action (Registrar/Club Rep)
Rules Update	Information
FINA reviewed a series of rule. These changes were mainly in clarification in the text of the various rule and will be incorporated into the revised Swim Canada rule book once published. A link to the rule changes will be published.	
Clinic/Eval Entries in Database	Action
Discussion arose on who would be responsible to enter the clinic completion and deck evaluations for the officials. The following process was put forward as motion (Dorris/Anderson) Motion Carried	(Registrar/Club Rep/Referee/Meet Managers)
 Club Officials rep will create a new official in the database and enter the new official intro to swim officials clinic. Meet referees with Meet Managers will compile a meet eval report. (secretarial note: Registrar will provide a template to Swim NB/Meet Managers). Club Officials rep will enter all deck eval upon receipt of eval report from the various meet managers. 	

4. Lvl 2 Clinic will be entered by the Registrar on receipt of the clinic report from the Club Official rep/Clinic Instructor	
Officials Record Card There was discussion on the use of the yellow official's card. With the Swim Canada database, is there still a requirement to maintain the card. It was agreed that the use of the card will continue until a determination can be made if the Swim Canada database will become the sole record for official's progression.	Action (Registrar)
Swim NB Officials Communications It was discussed and agreed by all that the NBOC should make more use of the Swim NB website to distribute and communicate with it's membership. The NBOC will work with Swim NB to either have their own access to the webpage or determine the process to publish relevant Swim NB official on the web.	Action (Registrar/Swim NB)
Official's Dress	
Swim Canada has adopted the Red Polo/Black Pants dress for technical officials and White T-Shirt/Black Pants for timers at National meets. It was discussed that Swim NB may want to adopt this style however the membership is not ready to proceed with red shirt for officials. It was proposed that Swim NB review it's funding available to see if Swim NB could provide a Red Shirt to all Officials at NB Championships Meets for Finals. There was also discussion stating that Swim NB could start with Red Polo for the Referee.	To be reviewed next Meeting
While no formal motion was presented, it was agreed by all that for 2017/2018 the officials dress code in NB will be:	
White Shirt, Black Pants/Short/Skirt (pants/knee length skirts recommend for finals at Championships meet)	
Nametags Pins	NBOC/Swim NB
Previously, Swim NB would provide nametag to officials once they achieved lvl 3. Discussion arose as to why certified lvl 2 were not provided with a name tag. The name tag is a small cost that can assist with official recognition. It was proposed that all certified Lvl 2 officials be provided with a name tag. Breau/Morrison Motion Carried	
The current name tag worn by all officials has the old swim NB logo. Swim NB will need to confirm if they want to have officials with the new Logo or maintain the old logo.	Swim NB
Shirt/Nametag/Pin Orders	Action (Club Rep)

Next NBOC Meeting	Action
Club Rep are to identify names of Lvl 3 official who are ready and willing to take the next Referee clinic. NBOC chair will develop a plan to conduct the clinic based on needs. All nomination are to be submitted to the NBOC Chair by 30 Oct 17.	(Chair/Club Rep)
Referee Clinic	Action
In Oct 17, Swim NB lost a great official and dedicated volunteer to Swim N, Don Hawkes. After a lengthy summary of his career it was agreed by all that the NBOC would recommend to Swim NB to rename the Swim NB Official of the Year award to the "Don Hawkes Memorial Awards" Lowe/Morrison – Motion Carried.	(Chair/Swim NB)
Swim NB Official of the Year Award – ReNaming	Action
It was proposed that any 4 or 5 official can request funding to attend and obtain the International Para Official course once in their official's career. This is a \$500 allowance to cover flights/hotel/rental car. The official must request the funding to NBOC Chair in an email a minimum of 30 days prior once their nominations has been approved by Swim Canada Para Officials. Morrison/Anderson . Motion Carried	Action (NBOC Chair)
national eval on the pathway to lvl 5 once in their official's career. This is a \$500 allowance to cover flights/hotel/rental car. The official must request the funding to NBOC Chair in an email a minimum of 30 days prior to the National Meet they wish to attend. Lowe/Anderson. Motion Carried	(NBOC Chair)
Swim NB advised the NBOC that \$4000 is allocated yearly for official's development. This funding is to be used for officials travel compensation for NBOC meetings, Official travel to obtain national eval etc. This is re-occurring yearly funding but those carry over by years. It was proposed that any Level 3 or 4 official can request funding to attend and obtain	Action
NBOC Funding	Information
The consensus by all attendees was that Swim NB needs to hold another domestic Para Officials clinic. NBOC will contact the National Para Officials Coord to discuss the possibility and availability to have a Para Clinic conducted in NB in and around the NB Open (End Jan 18) in Moncton	(Registrar)
PARA Clinic	Action
Swim NB is ready to order official's shirt, nametag and Official level pins. All club rep are to place their order no later than 30 Oct 17. Club rep are to contact Swim NB for shirt size availability and price.	

The next NBOC meeting is tentatively scheduled to take place during the NB Short	(Chair/Secretary)
Course Open schedule for end Jan 2018.	
Meeting Adjournment	
The chair adjourned the meeting at 1530hrs.	

JP Dorris NBOC Secretary

Reviewed by

Gary Losier NBOC Chair