



Edmonton Keyano Swim Club

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May 2, 2022 Board of Directors Meeting: Minutes

Date: Monday, May 2, 2022

Time: 7:00pm- 9:00pm

Location: Via Google Meet online platform

Presiding: Ian Boreyko

Recorder: Kristi Williams

Attendance: Ian Boreyko , Cian O’Kelly, Cathy Shepherd-Finlin, Shannon Loughran , Jill Edwards ,
Chris Nelson , Paul Birmingham , Kristi Williams

Regrets: N/A

1. Welcome and Call to Order

Ian Boreyko welcomed all Board members and called the meeting to order at 7:04pm.

2. Approval of Agenda

A motion was brought forward by Jill Edwards and seconded by Kristi Williams that the agenda be approved as circulated. All in favour.

CARRIED

3. Approval of Minutes from Previous Meeting

A motion was brought forward by Cathy Shepherd-Finlin and seconded by Jill Edwards to approve the minutes from March 14, 2022, as circulated. All in favour.

CARRIED

4. Ongoing Business

4.1 Note from Swim Alberta re: Race Pace

4.1.1 Response (required by May 4)

- Their request to establish a new swim club in Edmonton was previously denied by Swim Alberta as the swimmers they were recruiting were already registered with other established swim clubs.
- The club is weighted with many Ukrainian swimmers.
- Swim Alberta is asking for our input.

4.1.2 Potential Impact for EKSC

- Chris and Paul will follow up with the opinion that our swim club is already strained for pool space; a new club competing with the space and members is not in the best interest of existing swim clubs.
- Jill forwarded Ian the previous letter which was sent to Swim Alberta on behalf of EKSC and OSC when Race Pace last applied.

4.2 Note from Swim Alberta re: Swim Canada National Events

- 2023 Canadian Junior and Senior Nationals have been confirmed for the Kinsmen from July 31- August 7 2023
- 2024 Canadian Junior and Senior Nationals are supposed to be at Repsol in Calgary, however due to scheduled renovations, will likely be moved to Edmonton for August 8-15, 2024.
- Kinsmen is hosting provincials in March 2023 and 2024.
- These national events were “awarded” to EKSC/Kinsmen without prior input from EKSC.
- Members all expressed concern regarding the availability of volunteers late in the summer.
- We are trying to build up the EKI meet in early July.
- Members agreed that we must respectfully decline hosting these two national meets.

ACTION ITEM: Ian Boreyko will reply to Swim Canada, respectfully declining to host the Canadian Junior and Senior National events in 2023 and 2024. He will include Chris and Paul in the correspondence.

4.3 Hiring of Office Administrator

- Club is in a good financial position to hire a new staff member.
- Next step is to interview a few of the candidates.

4. Ongoing Business (cont'd)

4.4 BMO GIC Renewal

- The GIC at Bank of Montreal matures on May 24, 2022.
- This would be a good time to move GIC to the CIBC where we have our other accounts.
- We will not need immediate cash, so we can lock it in for 6 months to one year.
- Rob Cole has offered to initiate the paperwork required to move the account.
- Additional action item: Ian Boreyko will send an email to membership to recruit a new treasurer for the Board of Directors.

4.5 Mental Health

- Paul has discussed this with Swim Alberta; they may have some sessions to offer clubs in the future.
- Members agreed that EKSC could implement a series of lectures which would include nutrition, mental health, and other topics of interest to swimmers, parents, and coaches. This could be implemented in the upcoming swim year (2022/2023).

4.6 Standing Reports

4.6.1 Head Coach Report

- There have been several meets in the last few weeks (Champs, Trials, Westerns)
- Paul was happy with swim performances.
- Club registration numbers are good (350, incl. UofA).
- There is a “gap” in age group registration which reflects pool closures from 2015-2018 which may in turn reflect fewer high level swimmers in upcoming years.
- California trip has been cancelled. Many swimmers will attend Zajac camp.
- USports meet was successful. There is a new athletic director at U of A.

4.6.2 General Manager Report

- Colleen has been away, so there are no financials to present.
- Bingo proceeds continue to improve - now 68% of pre-COVID proceeds.
- Projected loss of \$50,000 if the gaming revenue remains at this level.
- Audit began on March 14.
- Board members agreed with a preliminary plan to a slight raise in training fees in order to reduce Bingo requirements.
- 8:22 pm request to go *In Camera*: motion by Cathy Shepherd-Finlin and seconded by Shannon Loughran . 8:34pm out of *Camera*.
- Chirs is experiencing some minor issues with PoolQ, specifically, the pairing of Quickbooks and PoolQ. He is working with OSC with the hopes that he can troubleshoot upcoming issues by helping to work through theirs.
- We continue to receive interest in registration and lots of interest in summer camps.
- EKI: Chris is working to make this a fun weekend event (BBQ, entertainment, pancake breakfast).

5. Upcoming Meeting

The members tentatively agreed on Monday, June 13, 7:00pm - 9:00pm.
Chris will book the Kinette Room so we can meet "In Person".

6. Roundtable

Paul reported that Jason from True Blue (formerly Swimland) had reached out to him.

Jason is wanting to maintain some relationships with EKSC, so we may attempt to try the transition squad training which we started prior to COVID.

7. Adjournment

Shannon Loughran moved that the meeting be adjourned.

Meeting adjourned at 9:02pm.