

**Annual General Meeting of the Board**  
of the  
**Goldfins Swim Club**

Wednesday, Nov 18, 2009  
Shaw Centre – 8:00 PM

Present: Jerry Benkic, Carol Benkic, Val Larocque, Pam Stewart, Shannon Mastromatteo, Corrine Doering, Eva Lehnert-Thiel, Tim Smith, Kevin Coulman, Debbie Bennett, Erin McGonigle, Larry Flysak, Larry Mastromatteo, Lorrain Mastromatteo, Rosie Vandervoort, Leslie Stene, Leslie Holfeld, Lisa Aune, Mike Horvath, Sean Pederson, Pete Wills, Roy Chernoff, Shannon Chernoff, Rob Hogan, Kathy Beuker, Tiffany Forsberg, Scott Gay, Garth Huber

**Minutes**

**1.0 Adoption of Agenda**

Meeting started at 8:13 PM

Adoption of Agenda by Erin McGonigle; seconded by Carol Benkic. All in favor. Carried.

**2.0 Minutes of Previous Meeting**

Adoption of Minutes from the previous meeting by Carol Benkic, seconded by Eva Lehnert-Thiel. All in favor. Carried.

**3.0 Business Arising from Minutes**

Nothing brought forward.

**4.0 President's Report – (Jerry Benkic)**

Welcome to everyone attending. Welcome to Tim Smith, the new Assistant Head Coach.

The Volunteer Point System is new this year in an attempt to have consistent & reliable volunteerism. The goal is not to have to cash a single cheque as we progress through the year.

The Goldfins Invitational Swim Meet went well in the new facility. The numbers were down from the last few years.

The club is looking into the possibility of changing the I Can Swim Program from the Sears program to the Swim Canada program. This allows for an increased availability of grant money.

The Awards Banquet was held on Nov 7. There were many provincial records as well as club records broken last year & swimmers were awarded. Anne Doig was the guest speaker.

The Goldfins sent many swimmers to Canada Games as members of the Saskatchewan team. As a team the Goldfins placed second in Canada.

The club has changed to Streamline as a web host after the crash of the Sasktel host where there was no backup available. Streamline is a Swim Canada web host that backs up all programs/information.

The Goldfins Newsletter should be coming out soon.

Advertising the Goldfins swim club is a major focus for the upcoming year. Tim will begin some more aggressive advertising of the I Can Swim Program; looking at magnet signs to be placed next to 22<sup>nd</sup> Street and next to Harry Bailey Pool at a cost of \$130.00/month

### **5.0 I Can Swim Coordinator's Report – Tim Smith**

Taking over from Cheri Millns in mid-September has meant that I have had some catching up to do as far as the “I Can Swim” program is concerned. However I believe it has gone reasonably well so far. The Fall Monday-Wednesday sessions at Shaw had registrations of 96. The Fall Tuesday-Thursday sessions at Harry Bailey totaled 130. Alison Cowan handled staffing requirements for the fall sessions. We had 2 staff quit, but were able to juggle the staff to meet all needs of the classes. I handled late registrations and administration so far. Early bank deposits were done by Cheri, and I did 3: 1 for \$11448.00, 1 for \$2222.00 and 1 for \$326.00. Planning for the Winter sessions is complete with the following upcoming dates:

1. Registration Thur Nov 26, 4-7PM at Harry Bailey (last day of classes)
2. Registration Wed Dec 2, 4-7PM at Shaw Centre (last day of classes)
3. Mini-fun Meet Dec 13, 1-3 PM At Shaw, for all Stage 2 advanced and Stage 3 swimmers. (introduction to competitive swimming)
4. Job postings at both pools for more instructors for the upcoming sessions.

All of the above are posted at both pools and the Registration dates and Mini-fun meet info sent to Carolyn Cameron to be included on the club website. The Registration package has also been sent to be included on the website for people to download directly.

The Winter sessions start Monday January 4 at Shaw and Tuesday January 5 at Harry Bailey and both sessions have a week break Feb 15-19 (School Mid-Term Break).

Spring Session planned to start immediately after Easter Break, April 12 & 13.

Tim Smith- I Can Swim Co-coordinator

### **6.0 Reports from Standing Committees:**

#### **6.1 Financial Services Committee**

##### **6.1.1 Financial Directors Report – Pam Stewart**

Fundscrip for October purchase was over \$14 000 so we now have a total of \$56 000 bought with the amount of funds raised for families is \$1300 and for the club it is \$330

Sobey's gift cards will continue

Safeway gift cards are available for purchase thru the Holiday Season Program, so to get the best percentage there is the need to purchase \$10 000 to receive the 8% discount. Now this is only available from Oct 1 till Dec 22. And plans for next year is we can try and do this for Oct 1 and again near the end of Dec. With the email sent out, I will have enough families wanting to purchase for Safeway for this year.

The Safeway booklets have been here for a couple of weeks now and we have sold almost 100 books. Which means that is a total fundraising of \$800 and for families \$640 and for the club \$160.

### 6.1.2 Treasurer's Report - Carol Benkic

Summary:

Total Current Assets - \$125,418.37

Total Current Liabilities - \$5,496.77

Total Equity - \$125,794.60

Total Liabilities & Equity - \$131,288.37

Total Income - \$338,221.52

Total Expenses - \$314,981.81

Net Revenue less expenses - \$23,239.71

Motion that August 31,2009 **Income statement** be adopted as presented. Adopted by Lisa Aune; seconded by Scott Gay. All in favor. Carried.

Motion to ask that this statement not be audited and that all accounts have been properly accounted, balanced and reconciled. Adopted by Shannon Mastromatteo; seconded by Erin McGonigle. All in favor. Carried.

Motion that August 31,2009 **Balance Sheet** statement be adopted as presented. Adopted by Erin McGonigle; seconded by Eva Lehnert-Thiel. All in favor. Carried.

Motion to ask that this statement not be audited and that all accounts have been properly accounted, balanced and reconciled. Adopted by Debbie Bennett; seconded by Shannon Mastromatteo. All in favor. Carried.

The club should have at least 6 months of operating costs in term deposits and \$10,000 in short term deposit to cover shortfall.

### 6.1.3 Registrar's Report - Erin McGonigle

We currently have 73 families. The breakdown is as follows:

Development 1 - 18

Development 2 - 11

Development 3 - 4

AP- 15

AGE- 12

National Sprint - 8

National - 16 (includes 3 post-secondary)

Affiliates - 3

Total Swimmers - 87

## 6.2 Member Services Committee

### 6.2.1 Team Manager's Report - Shannon Mastromatteo

See attached Travel Expense report - surplus of \$9,931.89

This year has started with a great many changes. First is that billeting has been eliminated. Now when the Goldfin swimmers go to out of town meets they either stay with the team in a hotel or go with their parents. Rooms have been booked for meets in Regina and Edmonton. Other centers are close to agreements. Second, the numbers are way down for swimmers taking club transportation. Buses have been booked with Twin River tours but lately the numbers are down that I have had to cancel. I feel it is important for team spirit that the swimmers travel with the team and I encourage parents to consider sending their swimmer on the bus. Please note that swimmers do not need to stay in the hotel with the team if they ride the bus with the team & parents are there.

We are on budget with our meet schedule. A meet has been added for Development 1 & 2 for December 5 that will not disturb these numbers. We will be having an in house meet to help some of the younger swimmers attain their LTD time on Dec. 19<sup>th</sup>. I look forward to seeing these young swimmers achieve their goals. I hope all of our athletes have a great year.

### 6.2.2 Social Director's Report - Corinne Doering

The Goldfin Invitational went well.

The Awards Banquet was held Nov 7 at the Ramada. 92 people attended, the food was good and there was a magician for entertainment.

Westerns meet in February is the next big event - a lot of help will be needed.

### 6.2.3 Equipment Director's Report - Debbie Bennett

All the new equipment has been distributed. Orders are going in monthly. Information will be kept posted on the website.

6.2.4 Bingo Director - Carmen Doiron/Sonia Beatch  
Not here to report.

### 6.3 Meet Services Committee

Meet Manager's Report – Carol Benkic

See attached written report (Goldfins Invitational 2009) indicating a deficit of \$61.51.

We were down about 100 swimmers from past years.

Thanks to all volunteers for doing a great job complying with the white officials wear.

Lisa Aune suggested we put the Meet Sponsors notices in the display case- Carolyn Cameron will be asked to do this.

#### 6.3.1 Entries/Records Director's Report – Erin McGonigle

The club has purchased Meet Manager 3 – hopefully this will allow both tanks to run off one database.

#### 6.3.2 Volunteer Point System Coordinator's Report – Larry/Lorraine Mastromatteo

Have developed a database and are currently working on inputting information as it comes in. May consider giving a family number to each swim family in order to track the points for families getting volunteers from extended family/friends.

Request from Scott Gay to provide families with an update of their points at some point either before or after Westerns. Email reminders may need to go out to keep information coming in.

#### 6.3.3 Officials Director's Report – Glen/Robyn Kobussen

Written report sent:

We held the following officiating clinics this year:

Level 1 Timing

September 28 11 Goldfin members

7 Laser members

October 2 18 Goldfin members

8 Lasers members

October 15 7 Goldfin members

Level 2 Stroke & Turn

October 13 13 Goldfin members

All sessions of the Goldfin Invitational Swim Meet were fairly well attended to by officials. There were only a few spots open prior to each session, and these were filled quite easily. 37 positions were filled by Laser members throughout the meet.

We will be having more officiating clinics in the new year. Plans are in motion for a time trial on December 19, 2009. For the Western swim meet the Officials will be coordinated by Anne Doig (senior officials) and Bob Cowan (junior officials).

Respectfully submitted by,  
Glen & Robyn Kobussen  
Goldfin Officials Coordinators

#### 6.4 Public Relations Committee

##### 6.4.1 Public Relations Director's Report – Leah Eichhorst

Not here to report - written report sent

The Star Phoenix has done an interview with Erin McGonigle (coordinator) for the Saskatoon Goldfins Youth Program and a photo was taken of the three children that were given awards at the banquet (Courtney Smith, Mervin Peepeetch and Star McCallum). The article will appear in the Nov 22, 2009 edition of the Sunday Sun.

All the media that said they would be coming out to cover the Goldfins Invitational Swim Meet were there.

##### 6.4.2 Newsletter Director's Report - Carolyn Cameron

Not here to report.

Currently waiting for coaches reports for the newsletter – should be ready soon. Still building the webpage.

#### **7.0 Head Coach's Report – (Kevin Coulman)**

As you know I have taken over from Richard in October. There have been many changes and it has been a big learning curve. The new facility is great with a few technical and administrative errors. It may take a while to get everything running smoothly.

Advertising is a primary concern in order to get numbers up. Once that happens would like to build a satellite program at Harry Bailey that would primarily be a developmental program.

There is a new Karate instructor and it is being held at the YWCA – this is all going well. Looking at setting up a program at the U of S Kinesiology Dept. for the senior swimmers involving weight training.

Would like to encourage parents to observe from the viewing areas in particular when the swimmers are in the ward up pool. The reason to have parents off deck is to avoid discussions between coach & parent regarding their swimmer or other issues. Would like to be firm on this!

Still looking into options for an Easter Spring Camp.  
There will be no karate in December & the dates and times of the Christmas Training Camp will depend on the coaches. December 27<sup>th</sup> will be the start date.

### **8.0 Winter Swim Committee – Jerry Benkic**

Beginning this swim season there were new FINA swimsuit regulations that came into effect.

The Flu policy is if a swimmer is sick to stay at home & no sharing water bottles.

Sask Health like to Flu will be put on the website.

There was a request to start helping the small swim clubs more by attending their meets.

### **9.0 Resolution/New Business**

No resolutions.

The Volunteer Point System is new this year. As it is still developing, the board would like to address any changes that come up throughout this year and approach the by-law change at the Semi-Annual meeting in May 2010.

Request a form letter be developed to campaign the city to have the lighting up in the Shaw Centre parking lot.

### **10.0 Adjournment**

Motion to adjourn the meeting made by Carol Benkic, seconded by Eva Lehnert-Thiel.

Meeting adjourned at 9:10 p.m.