MINUTES OF THE SWIMMING TARANAKI INC. BOARD MEETING, 11th June 2024. Start time 7pm, at Safety Solutions, 121 Molesworth St, New Plymouth



PRESENT: Paul Feltoe, Mariano Garcia Nani, Louisa Parker, Kim Treeweek, Carol Powell.

APOLOGIES: Daniel Hancock, Paul Rust.

CONFLICTS OF INTEREST REGISTER: None.

CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES: The minutes of the meeting held were read and accepted.

CARRIED

MATTERS ARISING: None

STRATEGIC PLAN: Paul F, Paul R and Mariano will form a working group to develop a strategic plan for ST. They will arrange some dates for working lunches.

POLICIES: None

HEALTH & SAFETY: Nothing was presented. However at a SNZ meeting it was stressed how important

that SNZ are kept up to date and informed on any Health and Safety occurrences.

FINANCIAL REPORT:

Move that the following invoices be paid:

MySwimCap (200 ST swimcaps arriving 4-5 weeks)\$1,840.00Merch Pro (30 hoodies-arriving end of month)\$2,587.50Masters food and ST stationery\$102.01

Kim Treeweek/Paul Feltoe APPROVED

Move that the financial report as circulated for 14^{th} May $- 11^{TH}$ June is taken as a true and correct record.

Kim Treeweek/Paul Feltoe

CARRIED

RECORD OFFICER'S REPORT: 4x50 relay at NAGS there was a possibility that a record was broken. Mariano to find out and let Louisa know.

TECHNICAL REPORT: Rowan Williams

The following people passed the assessment JUDGE OF STROKE (Regional) qualification at Stratford Meet on 09/06/24 and have been updated in the database:

Brent Parker Fiona Jansma

Stacey Kennard

TARANAKI EVENTS

Stratford Flyers Meet 9th June at Bell Block was held at this venue due to the high cost of holding the event at Stratford Pool. There were approximately 70 swimmers with a good supply of officials and parents helping. There was no issue with getting timekeepers and the meet had a very relaxed atmosphere. The clubs were all sitting together, and it was generally agreed this event was enjoyed by everyone.

NATIONAL EVENTS

We will put a resolution forward to apply for funding to the amount of \$12,544.80 to The Lions Foundation for accommodation and transport to the 2024 Apollo Projects New Zealand Short Course Swimming Championships in August 2024.

Paul Feltoe/Kim Treeweek

CARRIED

Changes to Designated meets calendar/National Meets.

From 1 July there will be no longer any limit on the number of designated meets allowed. The suggested changes to the National meets/calendar have been sent out to everyone.

Epic Swim in Taupo.

This is one of the biggest events in NZ. It is held in the second week in January and Paul was looking at the possibility of Taranaki sending a team to this event. This would be open to anyone – not just performance swimmers but to parents as well. It would be a good option for swimmers who don't swim in national events such as NAGS, Div 2 etc. Paul would be keen to organise the team and run sessions leading up to the event for those wanting to attend.

Louisa to advertise this event – and then gauge the interest.

Cap and t-shirt for all Taranaki swimmers will be provided with accommodation being booked by individual swimmers themselves.

Wellington SC 21st - 23rd June

This is all going ahead and organised.

ST or club funding/attendance at other future meets, CNI's etc.

ST is only responsible for funding applications for national meets and camps/clinics. Meets such as CNI's, BOP etc. are up to the individual club to apply for funding and organise travel/accommodation.

Senior Camp/Toi Funding

Senior Camp 12th - 14th July at Bell Block/Toi Funding

The outcome of the Toi funding application will not be known until 8th July. As the costs for accommodation (\$4500 for 20 swimmers Friday – Monday night) were extremely high the board discussed other possibilities.

CP suggested looking at billeting for swimmers.

MN said he could discuss with Craig at Stratford Flyers and look at running some of the days in NP and others in Stratford however if funding was successful, it wouldn't be able to be used for Stratford pool (the application named Bell Block Pool) and also the cost of Stratford pool is prohibitive. It was then discussed that there was a possibility of running it as a day camp/reducing cost of accommodation and instead doing team building activities together (not necessarily swimming) each day between sessions.

Parents in NP would be required to assist with transport and food.

Louisa to cancel booking at SHGC hostel.

Paul offered use of the board room at Safety Solutions for the Dietician talk.

The Dietician talk is scheduled for 7pm on the Monday evening (15th July) will now be held at Safety Solutions Offices in Molesworth St.

Taranaki Winter Championships/Taranaki Winters

If this event is to include both club **AND** competitive swimmers, then it must no longer be called a 'Championship'. It could be called an 'interclub competition'. Tania called the summer event last year the 'summer splash'. Daniel suggested to Louisa earlier on that day that the event be called 'The Taranaki Winters' and this was approved by everyone.

Paul Rust sent an email to the board to let them know that Jason, the pool manager has confirmed that we can use the Bell Block School chairs. He has a couple of larger gazebos to put up in the outdoor pool area.

Pekaren {Café beside pools} is going to do a coffee order and drop off during the swim meet. Pekaren are going to open early for us so it would be good to support them and advertise this.

Louisa will ask for a sign if they have one at Pekaren and also any flyers that they may have available that we could pass out to spectators/parents.

The same entry fee as last Taranaki Champs will apply: \$9.00 per event

The starting times for the Taranaki Winters Weekend are:

Friday warmup from 4:45pm racing starting 5:30pm (pool booked until 8pm)

Saturday warmup from 8:30am racing starting 9:15am (pool booked until 8pm)

Sunday warmup from 9:30am racing starting 10:15am (pool booked until 4pm)

Paul F said that his swim squad which uses the pool on Sunday mornings should finish at 9am so this start time should be possible.

Louisa to confirm Sunday morning change in starting time with Jason.

Relay events will be in the after the morning events.

Ribbons will only be for 4th – 6th place.

TRANSFERS: None

GENERAL BUSINESS

SNZ Plan Governance Working Group

New governance models for SNZ want to simplify the structure but some regions who are better funded are resisting. Instead of 4 regions plus national body they are suggesting:

Option 1 – zonal system

Option 2 – let SNZ do all the governance.

Option 3 – we choose.

A road show is being planned to go around the regions possibly July/August this year to discuss the new calendar of events as well as governance.

CP asked what would be ST's best option to which PF suggested that option 2 might be best which would leave ST to concentrate on the swimming.

The Incorporated Societies is changing.

In the new system there will be formal systems required to protect various parties. Smaller clubs, despite being financially secure, won't have these systems in place. These new regulations will be necessary for the security of their clubs in the future.

KT said that with other organisations changes in governance there has been an option to amend and vote on the changes and might this be the same procedure for SNZ and the new governance regulations? Paul wasn't sure that the same procedures would apply in the consultation by SNZ. Can Sports Taranaki give us some information/present a talk about this for swimming clubs in the region or ST?

Louisa to talk to Sports Taranaki.

Ali Hickford – Volunteering New Plymouth. Ali is receiving her volunteering recognition on Saturday morning at 10am at NPDC.

There will be a Physio talk this Saturday 15th of June at 9:30 am at the Bell Block pool. The Physiotherapist Alex Ormerod is coming to talk about the prevention of injuries and some ideas for warm up preparation before pool sessions or during competitions. The session will be for 60 minutes. The talk will be free of cost and open to TID and Performance squads.

Parafed/disability Clinics update.

After some discussion a solution was found for funding/organising events for swimmers with disabilities. SNZ will support disability swimming in Bell Block (currently 3 swimmers with

impairments) and Parafed will support Stratford (with specific facilities for those in wheelchairs). The Stratford lessons have yet to begin. There is discussion around making the Bell Block group, club swimmers in the future and these classes with Mariano are going well.

Affiliation fees – ST for 2024 2025 season to remain at \$15 and club fee at \$187.50

Moved Kim Treeweek/Mariano Nani

APPROVED

CMK Resignation

New Accountant for ST – do we pay for this service as no one coming forward? Is there a budget for an accountant review?

Louisa to find out costs for someone to review our accounts at ST.

Manual fee payments- do we pay them when SNZ ask for them or after the swimmer has paid them? It was decided that manual payments where we have not received any money up front will not be undertaken in the future.

Whanganui Medals (as attached)

Louisa to get a quote to see what medals such as these would cost.

Taranaki Winters – Arena will be present at the Taranaki Winters. Arena need to be aware of how short of space this pool will be with 100 swimmers and clubs and spectators. Louisa to clarify what exactly they are proposing when they say that they want to "look after ST officials and staff."

Police Vetting – Louisa has emailed Cath Tippett and received a list of current officials. Louisa to ensure each one is police vetted, and if not, make contact and arrange for this to be undertaken.

Swimming Certificate

There is now a Freestyle Certificate available "for achieving 400m freestyle in under nine minutes".

Meeting Closed: 8:20pm Next Meeting: 9th July 2024

Safety Solutions, Molesworth St.

Signed as a true and correct record: Date: 19.06.24

PIRL