**MINUTES OF THE SWIMMING TARANAKI INC. BOARD MEETING,**

**Tuesday 11th November 2025.**

**Start time 7pm, at Safety Solutions.**

**PRESENT:** Paul Feltoe, Kim Treweek, Steve Venables, Brendan Roche, Louisa Parker.

**APOLOGIES:**, Daniel Hancock, Mariano Garcia Nani.

**CONFLICTS OF INTEREST REGISTER:** None to anyone present although PF wanted it noted that there are times when MN will need to register a conflict of interest due to his role as head coach at Aquabladz.

**STRATEGIC PLAN:** Paul Feltoe has been busy with FC but this group will begin again with Mariano Nani and Brendan Roche as members meeting once a month. The work undertaken this year was a presentation more than a formalised document, which prioritised enhancing the communication between LTS schools and club swimming. PF said the remit should be to grow swimming in all areas.

**CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES:** The minutes of the meeting held on the 10th September 2025 were read and accepted.

**Paul F/Kim** **CARRIED**

**MATTERS ARISING: none**

**POLICIES/GOVERNANCE:**

The Flannagan Cup, the Strategy Plan and The Inter-Club Challenge were all reviewed with recommended changes to the Inter-Club Challenge (Louisa) and the Flannagan Cup (Paul Feltoe) approved and accepted
The Inter Club Challenge that the events should also include:
**Breaststroke 50m** for 9/10 years, 11/12 years
**Backstroke 50m** 9/10 years

**TO ACTION:** Louisa to make amendments to the 3 documents and update on website.

**Brendan/Paul F** **CARRIED**

**HEALTH & SAFETY**: None

**FINANCIAL REPORT:**

**Financial report** (Profit & Loss) as attached

On the 11th November the ST application of $900 for pool hire for the 2026 Summer Series events was approved by The Taranaki Foundation.

**Invoiced today for Flannagan Cup:**
VBW - $500 + gst
Safety Solutions - $500 + gst
Bayleys - $2000 + gst
Port Taranaki - $1000 + gst
Wells Group - $500 + gst (new contact)

**Bills paid outside of the profit and loss report:**
Surf Life Saving for Safety Management Plan - $431.25

Stratford Council for hire of War Memorial Centre for AGM - $140.00
Swimmer refund for Riley Chilcott - $10.30

Next month we will be looking at applying to Bobby Foundation for funding to assist with travel/accommodation to Div 2 in Dunedin. A resolution will be put forward at next month's meeting, and a Declaration of Consent will need to be signed then by Daniel and Paul F.

**TO ACTION:** Louisa to book Toi foundation rooms for the December meeting as Paul will be away.

Move that the financial report as circulated is taken as a true and correct record and passed and approved.

Paul/Kim **CARRIED**

**TECHNICAL REPORT:**
The report by Rowan Williams was read and approved.

Steve/Brendan **CARRIED**

**TRANSFERS:** None

**RECORDS:**
Taranaki Relay Records & North Island Champs Relay Records submitted by Tracey Knofflock were read and approved.

Kim/Paul **CARRIED**

**TARANAKI EVENTS:**

**The Swimming Taranaki Long Distance Meet** held on Saturday the 8th November at Bell Block Pool went well with 26 entered with 23 competing on the day. This was a huge jump in numbers from a couple of years ago.

**Junior/Intermediate Swimming Camp in 2026**
The deposit for the camp accommodation at SHGC has been paid. David Riley has offered to a camp leader. 16 swimmers so far registered.
A reminder that the camp will be for swimmers of below Div 2 level. The cost will be $100 per swimmer.

**TO ACTION:** Louisa to promote this consistently between now and the end of the year. PF suggested approaching the clubs to get parent club leaders. It was suggested that Louisa approach parents of those swimmers already registered.

**Flannagan Cup update:** Invoices to sponsors have been sent out. The Flannagan Cup Committee begins in September with all the logistical duties and Jeremy Lane has just joined this committee. There are the same main sponsors as last year with Wells Group a new sponsor. This year the entry fee has been increased by $5. Entries are open and we have received some already. This year there is prize money from the descendants of the winner in 1926 called Rimmington. They are donating $1500 to be split between the 1st male, and 1st female and a spot prize. PF is hoping that because Waitangi Day falls on a Friday this year, there will be competitors who might make the trip to NP for the long weekend.

**AGM & Constitution**
84 people attended the AGM & Awards held at the War Memorial Function rooms in Stratford and KT commented that this event went well and was a good venue.

Because the amended Constitution was approved at the AGM and consent from the members gathered, ST have re-registered with the Incorporated Societies and filed the Financial Performance Report for 2025 compiled for us by VBW.
Louisa asked about the storage of trophies. At prize giving, she was asked to hold the trophies for Aquabladz club members who didn't attend. Then subsequently approached by the Cave's leaving NP who wanted to give the trophies back. Louisa has no facility for storing trophies throughout the year. It was discussed and agreed that the clubs should distribute the trophies to those not at prizegiving and it is their responsibility to store the trophies their swimmers won.

**The Taranaki Masters Swimming 2026**. This has been tentatively booked in for Friday the 27th March 2026 at Stratford Pool. Registrations from 6pm, Warm up from 6:30 – 7pm and racing from 7pm. Stratford Pool have come back with a quote for $600 which includes a 50% discount.

**NATIONAL EVENTS:**
NZSC & SNZ AGM at the end of September – Mariano was not present so these items will be put on the agenda for the December meeting.

**GENERAL BUSINESS:**

Patea Swimming Pool. When the Taranaki Foundation contacted Louisa to gather more information about the application for the Summer Series 2026, the person she spoke to (previously the head of Sport Taranaki) suggested that we look at how we could engage with Patea Swimming Pool. He said that many of the Taranaki Foundation's financial donors were from south Taranaki and he thought there would be a lot of support for engagement in this area. The pool is owned by South Taranaki Council and closed at weekends. SV looked up the details and found there were also pools in Waverly and Manaia. It was discussed that if we were to hold something like a summer series event, then possibly Hawera might be interested in joining this too.
**TO ACTION:** Louisa to investigate if there is a LTS school currently there and a person who would co-ordinate the pool. It was agreed that this would be a good initiative for ST to undertake in the region.

**Next Meeting will be on the 9th December – venue tbc**

**Signed as a true and correct record:** **Date:** 9/12/2025