

Swimming Southland
Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on October 13th 2021
Aparima Room, Ascot Park Hotel, Invercargill

1. Meeting opened - 10.04 am

Board Chairman Roger Eagles opened the meeting and welcomed everyone

2. Apologies: K. Impelmans, M Sutton, M McCabe, Jan Douglas, Jane Douglas, B Douglas, J Hodges, K Bennett, L Elder, F Herrick, E Naylor & E Shaw (lateness)

Motion "that the apologies be accepted"

Moved: Yvonne Fox

Seconded: Waric Cross

Carried

3. Voting Delegates Roll Call:

- Bluff – not in attendance
- Central Southland – B Elder
- Collegiate – S Joyce
- Fiordland – not in attendance
- Hokonui – B Jamieson
- Johnston Waters – B Johnston
- Murihiku – A Biggar
- Orca – E Shaw
- Riverton – not in attendance
- Waiau – not in attendance
- Waverley – R Keen

4. Life Members Roll Call: A Pope, R Jackson, L Tapper, T Ward

5. Management Committee Roll Call: R Eagles, Y Fox, M Pratt, W Cross

6. Others in attendance: R Black, J Duncan, K Garrett, S Wilson, L Smith, K Lafoga, L Johnson, A Strudwicke, W Joyce & A McWilliam

7. Obituaries: John Sutton (Patron)

8. Minutes

Motion "that the minutes of the 93rd Annual General Meeting taken as true and correct"

Moved: S Joyce

Seconded: A Pope

Carried

9. Matters arising from the minutes

None

10. Swimming Southland Annual Report

R Eagles addressed the meeting in regards to the mix of experience on the board, the time consuming volume of correspondence received, the hope of being able to work more on strategic planning and given the small size of our region the wish for clubs and people to cooperative

- W Joyce asked for clarification on the reasoning for the change in direction regarding photo's being required for poolside ID cards – It was explained to the meeting that Mr Joyce had asked for this already from the Board and the reasoning was as he was told at that time. Upon only 10 out of the 80+ photo's being received the Board decided to remove the requirement for a photo to be placed on the ID cards as we are a small region. The ID cards are only valid in Southland with the format etc not being set by Swimming NZ. Pool side Managers, Coaches & Officials must wear their ID card

at all local meets, parents are no longer allowed to sit amongst the swimmers and if we have a unvetted times keeper or runner they will be required to wear one of the specially numbered ID cards

Motion "That the 93rd Swimming Southland Annual Report be received."

Moved: K Lafoga

Seconded: Y Fox

Carried

11. Financial Report

Roger spoke of the financial implications covid had on our ability to hold meets and funding streams also of how the flow on effect could have been a lot worse had it not been for the reserve we had

Motion "That Financial Report be received."

Moved: L Johnson

Seconded: E Shaw

Carried

12. Election of Officers

Management Committee

- Yvonne Fox and Roger Eagles have both completed their 1st year
- Michelle Pratt and Lynne Grant have both completed their 2nd year
- Waric Cross and Fenton Herrick have both completed their 3rd year

Under the regional constitution, the management board is to consist of six members, at least two of these members are not to be in a governance role within their swimming club.

6 Nominations have been received for the 2 vacant positions

1. Emma Shaw of the Orca Swimming Club, nominated by Orca Swimming Club
2. Fenton Herrick of the Orca Swimming Club, nominated by Orca Swimming Club
3. Kelly Lafoga of the Waverley Swimming Club, nominated by Waverley Swimming Club
4. Lauren Johnson of the Murihiku Swimming Club, nominated by Murihiku Swimming Club
5. Trudy Brown of the Murihiku Swimming Club, nominated by Murihiku Swimming Club
6. Waric Cross of the Murihiku Swimming Club, nominated by Waverley Swimming Club

APPOINTMENT OF SCRUTINEERS: K Garrett and S Wilson

VOTING METHOD: Ballot paper

RESULT: K Lafoga and W Cross are duly appointed to the Swimming Southland Management Board

Selectors (3 year term – year appointed)

- Angela Biggar has completed her 1st year
- Trudy Brown has completed her 2nd year
- Fenton Herrick has completed his 3rd year

Nominations were called for from the floor

- Y Fox nominates Fenton Herrick seconded E Shaw
- W Joyce nominates Waric Cross seconded B Johnston
- A Biggar nominates L Johnson seconded A McWilliam
- Waric Cross withdraws his nomination sighting that should he be elected he felt it would be inappropriate for all three committee members to be from the same club

VOTING METHOD: Show of hands - 7 Clubs present

RESULT: Lauren Johnson is duly appointed to Swimming Southland Selectors Committee

Regional Examiner

Currently Tim Ward. Tim is happy to continue in this role (NB: the position requires a National Referee)

Motion "That Tim Ward be appointed as Regional Examiner for the 2021/22 year"

Moved W Cross

Seconded M Pratt

Carried

Blazer/Awards Committee

Currently: Lyn Sutherland, Elizabeth Tapper and Adrienne Pope (appointed in 2020 for a 5 year term).
All are happy to continue

13. Special Presentations

Patron – Tim Ward

The presentation and speech was delivered by current Chair Roger Eagles.

Roger acknowledged the passing of former Patron John Sutton on October 29th 2020.

The Board was indeed keen to appoint someone who would have the respect of the many adults who are involved in Swimming Southland both as parents of children who competing, officials & past and present Board members, but it was also felt it would be good to have as an appointee someone who many of the competitive young swimmers who we have with us now would recognise and respect.

Tim was born here in Invercargill in 1961 and his mother Mrs Pat Ward was the Patron of the Orca Club. Tim had been associated with the St Mary's Club which later merged into Orca. Tim was a competitive swimmer, starting at the age of 10 and between 1976 & 1978 he was the leading Freestyle swimmer in Southland. Both Tim's daughters have been involved in swimming and in 2015 Tim became involved in Officiating. Tim is currently a NZ Referee and has been the Officials Examiner for Southland for some 3 years.

Tim then addressed the meeting expressing his appreciation for the honour bestowed upon him.

Honours Award – Fenton Herrick

Service Award – Waric Cross

L Tapper congratulated the above mentioned recipients and asked that Clubs include more detail on the nomination forms. A. Biggar asked that Clubs do this also for Prizegiving nominations

14. General Business

Approved Solicitors:

Motion "That Preston Russell Law be appointed as Solicitors for the 2021/22 year"

Moved W Cross

Seconded A. Biggar

Carried

Financial Year

Motion "That Swimming Southland Inc. changes its financial year from 1 May – 30 April to 1 July – 30 June effective 2021 to achieve consistency with the financial year of Swimming NZ"

Moved K Lafoga

Seconded A. McWilliam

Carried

Roger called for any general business from the floor:

1. W Joyce moved a motion that the Spring Board Diving Term Deposit that we are holding on their behalf be used towards the purchase of new scoreboard.
 - Roger was unaccepting of the motion, pointing out that constitutionally matters such as this that would require Clubs to vote needed to be added to the agenda when they were called for
 - Roger also informed the meeting that during the recent NZ Aquatics AGM he was made aware of that there has been interest in setting up a new Diving Club in Southland and the use of the deposit was a matter for discussion at a Board meeting not an AGM

2. B Johnston asked that the Swimming Southland Prizegiving return to being a formal seated vent with a meal rather than that of the informal events that have been held in 2020 and 2021
- Roger thanked her for her suggestion and advised this was a matter for discussion at a Board meeting not an AGM

Meeting closed: 10.52am

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