



# MINUTES

of **Board Meeting** held on  
Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> July at 12 noon  
at 3A Shiphers Ave, Epsom

**Present:** Mark Saunders (Interim Chair); Max Walker; Norma Williams; Gwen Ryan; Phil Pickford; Suzanne Speer and Philippa Bouzaid

## Apologies :

### 1. Election of Chair

The Board agreed to postpone the election of Chair until a full Board was in attendance. Mark Saunders will remain as interim Chair with Max Walker fulfilling the role of Deputy Chair in Mark's absence.

### 2. Dates of Board Meeting for year

Philippa advised the new members of the Board that meeting dates were listed in their Induction Pack.

### 3. Vacant positions on Board

This was discussed as to the skills required to fulfill the Board's role of governance. Philippa suggested that Board members give a brief account of their profiles and what skills they have in regards to the Board. Details as follows:

- Mark Saunders: Represented New Zealand in swimming at an International level and has been associated with coaching, education and development of swimmers from all levels. Has an inside understanding of the sport.
- Norma Williams: Historian, our walking swimming encyclopaedia. Too much to put into words.
- Max Walker: Held the Deputy Chair position of Auckland Swimming for 3 years and is the leader on the Board for the establishment of new aquatic sports facilities in the Auckland area in accordance with the ASA Strategic Plan. Instrumental in rebuilding of the Club from a low point of 10 members. Introduced the Mt Wellington Trust, Swimming Scholarship scheme for children from schools within Mt Wellington Charitable Trust Zone. President of Mt Wellington Swim Club.
- Phil Pickford: Represented Auckland and the Manawatu in swimming and is the General Manager of New Zealand Aerial Mapping firm. Phil's skills lie in senior management/marketing and strategic direction.

- Gwen Ryan: For the last 20 years I have worked at Waterhole Swimming Centre Limited, where I have taught the whole range of swimming lessons, babies through to advanced, learn to swim and adults, and coached the whole range of competitive levels from level 3 through to national and international level age group swimmers who are now performing well at open level nationally and internationally. Before entering the world of swimming was involved in financial accounting. Gwen brings to the board a vast knowledge of coaching and development of swimmers from an early age.
- Suzanne Speer: Suzanne was an Auckland representative swimmer and then became involved in surf lifesaving. Suzanne has extensive knowledge in Town Planning, dealing with Councils and policy writing.

Board members suggested other members within the Association that may consider filling the vacant positions on the board and Philippa to ascertain their interests.

There are two vacant positions to be filled.

#### 4 **General Business:**

- 2006 Centennial Observations: Norma advised the group of how Auckland Swimming started and suggested that a committee be set up to discuss ideas on how Auckland could have its Centennial Year. Philippa to speak with the Alumni Group in this regard.
- Independent Board Members: Philippa advised the meeting that Sarah Dunning and David Jack confirmed their availability to assist as independent board members for a term of one (1) year. **Moved** by Mark Saunders that the board accepts these appointments. **Seconded** Max Walker **Carried**
- Out-of-Pocket expenses for Registrar: **Moved** by Max Walker that the Registrar's 'Out of Pocket' expenses be \$1,250.00. **Seconded** Gwen Ryan **Carried**
- Funding Applications: It was resolved that Philippa apply to the Oxford Sports Trust for funding to support the Auckland swimmers attending the Japan Junior Olympic Cup from 26<sup>th</sup> to 30<sup>th</sup> August and the Universiade Games being held in Turkey from 11<sup>th</sup> to 21<sup>st</sup> August, 2005. **Moved:** Mark Saunders **Seconded:** Gwen Ryan **Carried**
- Funding Applications: It was resolved that Philippa apply to the Southern Trust for funding towards the Auckland Commonwealth Target Squad's camp being held in Rotorua in September. **Moved:** Mark Saunders **Seconded:** Gwen Ryan **Carried**

The Meeting closed at 1.10pm

Next Meeting: Thursday 21 July, 2005.

A true and correct copy of the Minutes \_\_\_\_\_ Date: