



CAYMAN ISLANDS AQUATIC SPORTS ASSOCIATION

MINUTES OF A BOARD MEETING

Remote by Teams

Wednesday 13 March 2024

PRESENT:

Officers:

Stephen Broadbelt (“Steve”)- President

Kathryn Jackson – Vice President

Chilian Wong-Ellison – Secretary

Martin Trott – Treasurer

PRESENT: Directors

Marz West - Director

Tanushree Perry – Director

Colleen Williams – Director

Sarah Sellars – Director

Laura Ribbins – Director

Ex-Officio:

Jacky Pellerin – Technical Director

Karen Watson – Stingray (remote)

Andrea Higgs - CBAC

Frank Flowers and Anup Itwar – Flowers

Group Alicia Proud – Federation Coordinator

Chevala Burke – SISC

Duke Sullivan - SMS

Call to Order

Steve took a roll call and called the meeting to order at 5.45pm. Conflicts of interests were noted.

Apologies

It was noted that a quorum of the board of directors (the “**Board**”) of the Cayman Islands Aquatic Sports Association (“**CIASA**”) were present.

ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES

The minutes of the meetings dated 6 February were presented for approval.

Following discussion, on a motion duly moved, and seconded when the board was in quorum, it was unanimously resolved, to approve the 6 February minutes as presented.

Matters arising

There were none.

President's Report and Facilities Update

Steve updated the meeting with regards to the 50m aquatic centre. The Purchase Agreement has been agreed upon. Steve has had a meeting with the government regarding assistance with costs of the facility so far with regards to planning and drawings. All invoices have been sent to government. Myrtha has sent queries on the site location before they send the pool from Italy to Indiana. The plan is that the pool will be dismantled and sent from Indiana to Cayman on 23 June 2024. Steve informed the meeting that he had a chance to visit the 50m aquatic facility in Dubai and found it interesting in that the facility was used for other sporting events as they had the ability to cover the pool or part of the facility to enable those other events.

Steve informed the meeting that the Minister Isaac Rankine will be at CARIFTA Bahamas on Tuesday 2 April 2024. The Bahamas pool is still under renovation but they say it will be ready for CARIFTA.

Technical Director

Jacky updated the meeting verbally. The nationals had gone well in general and although the technology had had some hiccups, it worked well in general. The worlds had also gone well for the team that attended but Jacky reiterated that there may be a need to arrive to a venue as such a few days earlier than planned to allow for jetlag adjustment.

Jacky informed the meeting that the entries for CARIFTA has been pushed back to give everyone more time to finalise entries.

The OASP request for funding has been submitted. CARIFTA planning is going well. We have not been given spaces for the OW technical training in Montreal Canada but Jacky has sent a request to be considered.

Flowers Group

Mr Flowers and Anup updated the board with the planning of the Flowers Mile swim. Registration is open and so far 150 swimmers have signed up with 85 of them being overseas. The start of the race will be at Coral Beach. Mr Flowers informed the meeting that Harper Barrowman and Dominic Hilton will be invited as special guests for the swim. Sid Cassidy and Rick Walker will be attending and Sid Cassidy has agreed to conduct an open water training. Lexi Kelly, Alison Smidt and Roland Schoeman will also be guests. Caeleb Dressel might also be attending. Since this is an Olympic year, it will be harder to get the current athletes here. Mr Flowers and Anup will be happy to take suggestions from the board. This year's proceeds will be going to ARC. The gala will take place on 13 June 2024. Mr Flowers and Anup informed the board that they have partnered with Rotary Central this year for the Walk and Watch.

Steve brought up the subject of the event date Flowers and whether there would be consideration to move the event closer to May to accommodate timing of teams trying to make times and slots for summer events. Mr Flowers said that he would be open to discussions and that The Department of Tourism would have to be included in the discussions.

SwimFree Update: 600 kids have gone through the program successfully. 50 of the SwimFree kids will swim the 'channel' at the Mile Swim with help from the guest athletes.

Open Water

Colleen tabled her report and updated the meeting verbally. In April we are set to host the CTMH/Integra half a mile swim. We are looking . do a 10k at end of April. In May we have the Butterfield half a mile. Colleen informed the meeting that having jetskis for the swims is very helpful. Colleen also informed the meeting that getting volunteers for the sea swims is still a big challenge. Any suggestions or assistance on that front would be helpful?

Artistic Swimming

Laura informed the meeting that she has requested an Artistic Swimming update from Alissa and will forward it when it is received.

Booster Committee

Sarah tabled her report. She informed the meeting the golf fundraiser went well. There were 14 teams. It was a fun and successful event. The challenge is that there are many charity golf tournaments at that time of the year so it is difficult. Martin asked whether it may be an idea to have the golf tournament at the beginning of the swim season year, in the first term. It was agreed that this would be a good idea but the challenge would be possible weather challenge.

Sarah mentioned the raffle tickets and that they have been distributed and sales are going well. Sarah mentioned that she is looking to put on a pub quiz in the next few months. Everyone agreed that this would be a great idea.

The other fundraising idea of a pickleball tournament was brought up and Tanushree will gather information on this and get back to the board.

Technical Committee

There were not updates from Adam Butler, the Technical committee chair.

Club reports

There were no updates from the clubs.

The Brac pool is still undergoing renovation.

Other Matters

Discussion surrounded the Nationals and Jacky and Karen talked about how there were no volunteers for take down at the end of the Nationals and Jacky and Karen were both injured and not able to do much physically but were somehow left to do the bulk of the take down. This will have to reviewed to make sure this does not happen again.

Clubs left at 7.00pm

Treasurer's Report / Budget

Martin tabled his report. CARIFTA accounting is very time consuming especially when it comes to technical suits reimbursement.

Martin asked Alicia how the website is progressing and whether we will have online payments capabilities? Alicia gave an update but will have more time to do this after CARIFTA

Representative Team Committee

Discussion surrounded gear for CARIFTA.

Alicia brought up the fact that many have track suits and gear which don't fit anymore. It was discussed that many federations have a team track suit which is handed out to the and collected after each meet. It was discussed that because we have doubled in number of athletes as artistic swimming now have a team, national team gear will have to go that way. Discussion surrounded obtaining a sponsor for national team gear. The

Treasurer's Report / Budget

There were no updates.

Representative Team Committee

Discussion surrounded the staff for CARIFTA 2024 for SW/OW and Artistic.

Applications had been sent in for the positions for the CARIFTA 2024 SW/OW and it was confirmed that CIASA had received applications from coaches Jo, Dexter, Jennika and Darren.

Discussion surrounded the staff for CARIFTA 2024 and it was agreed that the staff would consist of Head Coach, 3 Assistant Coaches, 1 Team Manager and 1 Physio.

Further discussion took place and it was agreed that the head coaches of the three bigger swim clubs would be successful in their application to go to CARIFTA 2024 for SW/OW.

A motion was put forward to confirm that Jo, Dexter, and Darren would be nominated as the three assistant coaches for CARIFTA SW/OW 2024.

The meeting was informed that as had been voted, Alicia has been appointed Team Manager of CARIFTA SW/OW 2024. There will be a search for a physiotherapist to join the team

Alicia confirmed that Alissa and ARTC were preparing the proposal and recommendation of team and staff to be sent to the Board for review and approval.

Fund Development

There were no updates.

Education and Training

There were no updates.

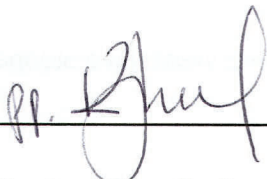
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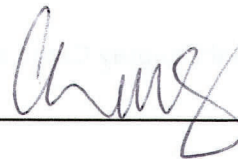
The next meeting will take place the second week in March by Teams.

Adjournment.

The meeting adjourned at 9.05pm



Stephen Broadbelt
Chairman of Meeting



Chilian Wong-Ellison
Secretary of Meeting