

Ravensong Waterdancers

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Monthly Meeting Minutes

Feb 24, 2025

on-line



Present: *Becky, Mark, Jessica, Debbie, Carol, Julie, Jenny, Anya, Lisa, Jody, Kimberly, Sam*

Regrets: *Krystal*

CALL TO ORDER: 7:02

Review and discuss Feb 24th AGENDA:

Review and accept Jan13th DIRECTORS MINUTES as circulated:

FINANCIAL REPORT: Julie

See [2025-01-31_FinancialReport.pdf](#)

MOTION: Julie moves to accept the Jan 31st Balance Sheet showing \$20,456.39 in General and \$1,042.75 in Gaming, and the Financial Report as presented.

MOVED: Jessica / Mark

NOTE: CRA online setup, have we had an online account at the CRA before? **ACTION: Jessica** will reach out to Michelle. If we don't have an account, what was the date we became a business? Or society? Club started in Sept 1997 (18th?). Check "constitution" in google drive for further info. **ACTON: Becky** to check Societies registry. D&O insurance - Julie will start looking at different quotes. If anyone has recommendations to let her know. Julie doesn't think we'll go with the same insurer again (was a \$900 expense). **ACTION: Mark** to reach out to BCAS about the cost to see if there are other options or alternatives for small clubs like ours. Maybe reach out to other small clubs to see what they do for insurance?

HEAD COACH REPORT: Carol

See [2025-02-25_Head Coach Report.pdf](#)

NOTE: Jessica is not needed as a coach for the Swim-A-Thon since Carol will be there for the first hour. Do we want to adjust our banner at RAC to reflect our name "artistic swimming". Our official legal name is also RWD Synchronized Swimming Club. Is there a mandate to change things? **ACTION: Carol** will look into if branding needs to be changed? Do we change it all? **ACTION: Becky** - change the name while in the society act?

PRESIDENT'S REPORT: Mark

See 2025-02-24_Presidents Notes.pdf

NOTE: ACTION: Mark & Lisa to figure out the issues still happening with the sound system. Lisa ordered a new cart already. Proud of the club for this past weekend training meet. Good job! Thanks to the coach! Mark will upload a video of the routine. Pool referendum, big news. Looking forward to club photos, Mable Moran April, May year end qualifiers in Nanaimo.

FUNDRAISING REPORT: Jenny

NOTE: Pango, Thrifty's, SaveOn cards - a few left - reach out to Jenny (text/email). Cuckoo's not sure if the price point will work, thoughts? Mark likes the idea, if the kid's plate could be a bit cheaper (\$25). Maybe we table it for now, come back to it for now.

OLD BUSINESS:

- a. Judges feedback / Sport Grant - first session with Lisa Balcom (sp?) went well. Cleaned up the first part of the routine. Expressed interest in doing it again (with or without compensation- nice!) Lisa, decided not to spend quite so much of the grant money so there is a bit of money for gift cards etc. Coach from Nanaimo Kianna helped with acro for Lisa's team (we gave her a \$25 GC). She will come out of the BCAS sport grant, and back again in April for LComp. **ACTION: Lisa** to figure out the best time to arrange.
- b. RDN Summer Camp - Mark hasn't heard back yet. He will follow up
- c. RAMP payments brainstorming - for policy
- d. Policies - Jessica still working on, needs to talk to Krystal
- e. End of year planning - date is booked, table till next meeting

NEW BUSINESS:

- a. Summer Camp - need confirmation from Amanda. What are the min days needed? We can probably make it work for min 2 lanes, but try to negotiate for more. How many kids do we need? Program Policy, coach to swimmer ratio. Mark to check BCAS policy for coach/kid ratio. 4-5 shallow end for the younger kids, and 8 kids in the deep end. Dates? Pool closes 2 weeks prior to the start of the school year. No dates yet. August is not good for Debbie. End of the school year is ok for Debbie (June/July).

- b. RDN pool proposal - biggest thing, does the new pool expansion benefit our club? Should eliminate having to fight for pool time. We'll still have to go to NAC, but Carol thinks going to a secondary pool is a good idea anyway. Can look into other pools, we trained at Pacific Shores and Beach Acres during past pool closures. Will need to let BCAS know if we do move pools. This might open up other practice times. Mark planning to go next Wednesday. Julie will also be attending. If any one has questions, please forward to Mark/Julie.
- c. Swim fin belt - Lisa proposes to purchase belt used for spins etc, \$66 on sale. Mark moves, Becky seconds. Any objections? No, motion Passed.
- d. Small cart - purchased already by Lisa - Becky/Jessica passed motion prior to meeting, Julie confirmed use of funds. Ratified for minutes.
- e. Website - Mark updated number on website to his cell for all locations. Option, google phone number? Or Phongo? Can set it up to dial different cell phones. Mark is okay with the club number being his, so we'll keep it that way for now.
- f. Club Jackets - Julie double checked, we have the money to proceed with the estimated \$120 for ordering custom printed fabric for 2 trial jackets. Vote - Becky moves, Mark seconds. Any objections - No, motion passed. Side note, Fan shirts at the meet really helped identify everyone as a club! Mark has ideas for more t-shirts to share. Any volunteers sewing/serging/cutting help for jackets!
- g. Diamonds, broached the idea of the clubs merging... what is the main motivation for that? A lot of fluctuations are happening and they are looking for options. Not impossible for us to consider, but they have yet to come to us with a proposal. Who would run the merged club? How will it look? Who is the board? Diamonds parents have some anxiety about what the future holds. Side note - thank you Anya for sharing her home for hair jelling this weekend at Nanaimo! And thank goodness for Jessica's hair jelling video!

SET DATE FOR NEXT MEETING: April 14th 7pm

MEETING ADJOURNED: 8:08