

**Far North Coast Swimming Association Inc**  
**Minutes of General Meeting**  
**Lismore Pool**  
**Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> March 2009**

**Meeting Opened: 12.15pm**

**Attendance:** Jennie Riley (Woodenbong), Graham Canning, Tony Gallpen (Lismore Workers), Keith Midgley (Grafton), Fay Brown(Yamba), Helen Green (Twin Towns), Leanne Perry, Elizabeth Hume, Troy White, Mark Nancarrow (NRG), Peter Charlton, Britt Charlton (Ballina Indoor), Les White, Helen White (Woodenbong), Peter Fish (Kyogle), Kim Ludlow, Narelle Anderton (Mullumbimby), Debbie Gregg (Murwillumbah)

**Apologies:** Grant Savins (Casino), Giovanna Mison (Tweed Heads)

**Minutes of previous meeting held on 1<sup>st</sup> February 2009 – Moved:** Jennie Riley **Seconded:** Debbie Gregg **Carried**

**Business Arising:**

\***Report from discussions with MNC-** Informal discussions have occurred with MNC and a summary was presented to the meeting by those involved.

\*A discussion was held on what we should do next. **Motion: That we send a letter to the Board of Management of SNSW asking them to identify what benefits there would be for swimmers, clubs and officials in the proposed amalgamation.**

**Moved:** Debbie Gregg **Seconded:** Jennie Riley **Carried**

\*We will continue to function as we are as an Area by having our AGM and setting carnival dates for the season but we will continue to investigate the QLD option and obtain written information from Kevin Hassemann.

\*Clubs are reminded that SNSW affiliation fees are due by 1<sup>st</sup> April. A copy of letter from SNSW is attached to these minutes. Each club needs to pay affiliation and vote accordingly.

\*A reminder that individual clubs or members are not to approach Swimming Qld or the Gold Coast District. All enquiries should be done formally through our Area.

\***Development Update-** Discussion on Stingray Squad- 26<sup>th</sup> April (for last season). A discussion was also held on this season's development. This will be finalised after Nationals. Funding from SNSW for development has changed. Development will need to take place away from our Area- as we have done in the past.

**Correspondence:** List tabled-**Moved:** Jennie Riley **Seconded:** Peter Charlton **Carried**

**Treasurer's report:** tabled- **Moved:** Helen Green **Seconded:** Jennie Riley **Carried**

**Alec Convenor's Report:** Nothing to report .

**General Business:**

\*The date for the FNC AGM will be Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> May, 2009 at Alstonville Bowling Club from 10am. Any agenda items need to be submitted by 19<sup>th</sup> April. Nomination forms are available for committee positions. Area affiliation fees will be set at the AGM. Nominations for carnivals to be held during the 2009-2010 season need to be submitted in writing to the FNC secretary by 15<sup>th</sup> May. It is important that each club has delegates in attendance at this meeting. Each club has the right to two votes.

\*A discussion was held to clarify the SNSW General Rule 19 regarding swimwear. **Motion: That as soon as SNSW adopts General Rule 19 swimwear policy that Far North Coast Area follow suit. Moved:** Helen Green **Seconded:** Peter Charlton **Carried** (See the March Swimmer magazine for details).

\*A discussion was held on the JX awards. We will write to Mark Heathcote to inform him that FNC nominates the following carnivals to be used as qualifying times: Winter Sprint, Summer Sprint and the Championship carnivals.

\***Motion: That FNC pay for Bernie Thompson to attend the Technical Forum to be held in Sydney.**

**Moved:** Debbie Gregg **Seconded:** Peter Charlton **Carried**

\*Ballina Indoor will be holding the following carnivals: Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> May 12years and under -from 10am  
Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> June 13years and over -from 1pm

\*All technical officials need to be aware that we are not permitted to have any physical contact with the swimmers - as set out in Child Protection Guidelines.

**Meeting Closed: 1pm**

**Next Meeting: AGM- Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> May from 10am at the Alstonville Bowling Club.**