



## **SWIM BC AGM MEMORANDUM**

**DATE:** October 22, 2020  
**TO:** Swim BC Club Presidents and Special Interest Associations  
**FROM:** Eric Gottardi, Nominations Committee Chair  
**RE:** **Board of Directors Final Reminder - List of Nominees (30-day Notice package)**

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This is a final reminder that there are three spots on the Swim BC Board of directors that are up for election at the Swim BC AGM on November 19, 2020. If you are interested in getting involved in our sport at the governance level, we encourage you to put your name forward. Nomination forms must be submitted by **November 9, 2020** as per Section 5.06 of the Swim BC Bylaws (below).

The current slate of directors for the Swim BC Board of Directors is as follows:

Linda Metcalfe – President	(elected 2019, term ends 2021)
Eric Gottardi – Nominations Committee Chair / Policy Committee member	(elected 2019, term ends 2021)
Liz Collins – Human Resources Committee Chair / Policy Committee member	(elected 2019, term ends 2021)
Mike Ball – Finance Committee / Policy Committee member	(elected 2019, term ends 2021)
<b>Michael Hoche – Finance Committee Chair</b>	<b>(elected 2018, term ends 2020)</b>
<b>Mark Versfeld – Finance Committee member</b>	<b>(elected 2018, term ends 2020)</b>
<b>Kacey Dalzell – Policy Committee Chair</b>	<b>(appointed 2018, term ends 2020)</b>

All three incumbent directors have filed notice of their intent to stand for re-election. Any additional nominations received by November 9<sup>th</sup>, 2020 will be included in the slate for election at the AGM.

Please send your nomination form to [nominations@swimbc.ca](mailto:nominations@swimbc.ca)

The following By-laws apply to the election of Directors:

### **Section 5.03**     **Term of Office**

At the Annual General Meeting, Directors shall be elected on a staggered basis, four (4) Directors in one year followed by three (3) Directors the following year. Directors shall be elected for a term of two (2) years.

### **Section 5.06**     **Nominations**

- (a) Not less than sixty (60) days prior to the Annual General Meeting the Board shall appoint a nominating committee consisting of at least three (3) members, none of whom may be a Director standing for re-election. The nominating committee shall prepare a slate of candidates for the positions of Directors open for election and shall obtain the candidates' written consent to stand for election. The nominating committee shall submit the slate to the Board no later than thirty (30) days prior to the Annual General Meeting. The list of nominees shall accompany the thirty (30) day notice for the Annual General Meeting.
- (b) Any Member in good standing may make additional nominations for Director provided that each such nomination is made in writing signed by two (2) Members in good standing and consented to in writing by the nominee. Each such nomination must be delivered, in accordance with the provisions of Article 13, to the President or the Executive Director of the Society on or before the seventh business day preceding the date of the Annual General Meeting.

### **Section 5.07**     **Election to the Board**

- (a) Where the number of nominations corresponds to the number of vacancies on the Board, the Nominees shall be declared elected by acclamation;



- (b) If the number of nominees validly nominated for election to the Board exceeds the number to be elected;
- (i) The Chair shall appoint the Secretary to act as scrutineer.
  - (ii) The Executive Director shall cause to be prepared and handed to each Voting Member: a ballot containing, in alphabetical order, the names, affiliations, and places of residence, of all nominees for election to the Board, and a notice stating the number of nominees to be elected.
  - (iii) Any ballot which is marked in favor of more nominees than are to be elected shall be invalid.
  - (iv) The Secretary shall count from the valid ballots the number of votes cast in favor of each nominee and then shall prepare, sign, and present to the Annual General Meeting a written list of those nominees elected to the Board;
  - (v) The written list of those nominees elected to the Board prepared and signed by the Secretary, shall be final and conclusive as to the election of those Nominees to the Board notwithstanding any irregularity or informality or any accidental omission to supply a ballot to, or the non-receipt of a ballot by any Voting Member, and the Chair at the Annual General Meeting shall declare such nominees elected as Members of the Board.
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### **Dalzell, Kacey / Coquitlam BC**

Kacey has worked in Mental Health and Substance Use for over twenty years in various capacities. Some of her leadership roles include the Manager for Mental Health and Substance Use at the Ministry of Health, Manager of the Early Psychosis Intervention and Eating Disorders Programs with Vancouver Coastal Health, and currently the Regional Lead for Tertiary Mental Health and Substance Use and Operational Manager for the Central Access and Discharge Team, overseeing regional access to care for complex populations. Kacey also Chairs the Provincial Early Psychosis Intervention Advanced Practice Program and continues to lead and participate on various provincial strategies and regional working groups. Kacey has a clinical background in youth and young adult mental health, and holds a Masters in Public Policy. Kacey attributes many of her leadership qualities to her experience as a swimmer in BC, and happily chairs the Swim BC Policy Committee strengthening the organization and supporting the many clubs, swimmers and volunteers across the province.

### **Hoche, Michael / Vancouver BC**

Please accept this email as my application to continue as a Board member of SBC for the next 2-year period.

I have enjoyed the past 2-year term on the board as Treasurer of Swim BC. After inheriting a significant deficit in fiscal 17/18 we turned corner to an even more significant surplus in fiscal 18/19 and financially reorganizing the organization by focusing on club service & value add investment in our sport. The Covid-19 pandemic has significantly impacted our sport; however, the fiscal 19/20 surplus due to the shutdown of competition during the lockdown should assist us to recover from lower registrations and a likely deficit in fiscal 20/21. My objective is to provide financial expertise to support our provincial sporting body through this crisis. I trust the membership of Swim BC will endorse my candidacy as board member for years 2020-2022.

### **Nelson, Sheila / Armstrong BC**

I am a Chartered Professional Accountant (CPA) with over 35 years of experience in both industry and public practice. I am currently a sole practitioner, offering services in compilation engagements and tax and financial consulting, including tax preparation, reorganizations, buy/sells and estate planning. I have been a board member and treasurer on various non-profit boards including CPABC (Chartered Professional Accountants of BC) which has over 35,000 members across BC. I was recently elected as the second Vice Chair of CPABC and will eventually take on the chair role. I am a National Level V official and am one of 3 referees from across Canada nominated to UANA, enabling me to be invited to referee at international meets in the Americas.

### **Versfeld, Mark / Vancouver BC**

In swimming I was a National Swim Team member from 1994-2001 (World Championship, Commonwealth & Pan Pacific Games medalist | 2000 Olympian). I've spent time assisting coaching a Masters & Youth program in Australia (2004-2006). With an academic background in Economics, I began my professional career providing Risk Advisory Services overseas with Tier One Accounting Firm. I spent a decade building a proprietary trading practice, capitalising on strategic opportunities in global commodity, currency & equity markets. Currently in my current professional Sales role with Myrtha Pools Canada I am involved in marketing and development of aquatics facilities across Western Canada, through understanding feasibility, design and long-term operations.

Past work on the Board has included serving on the Finance Committee, Nominations Committee, as well as Chairing the Awards Committee in 2019. I've helped the Board gather insight into the representation of coaches in the PSO's throughout Canada. My goal is to build on my Board experience to help strategically govern Swim BC through these challenging times.