TO: Members of Alderwood Teddy Bares

RE: Minutes of Annual General Meeting September 27, 2023

The Annual General Meeting of the Alderwood Teddy Bares was held September 27, 2023 following the regular swim practice. President Paul Luke called the meeting to order with 18 members in attendance.

Paul called upon the following reports:

Financial Report

Treasurer, Tom Barber, submitted the attached financial report.

Paul noted that income from our 2023 swim meet was good and Gregg anticipated that there would be as good a turnout or even better for 2024 as MSO members prepare for Provincials.

There were financial savings this year when the pool was shut down for repairs. This helped prevent an anticipated deficit.

Fees for 2023 – 24 are payable nowpayment being collected by Gregg

Membership Report Barbara Richmond

The club's target membership number is 45. We are slightly below that due to the loss of several existing members but some new ones are starting this Fall and there are still some names on a wait list.

Members are encouraged to submit newsworthy articles or bios that can be featured on our website. We need to keep the site current and interesting.

Executive Report Paul Luke

Melissa Nelson will not be returning as a swimmer or as a member of the Executive. However, she will continue to maintain our website and submit our registrations to MSO.

A big thanks to Melissa.

With Melissa's resignation, that leaves an open space on the Executive. In a call for volunteers, Sandra Kavanagh stepped forward. She will join Paul Luke, Tom Barber, Barbara Richmond and Angela Hill in forming the executive for the coming year.

One aspect the Executive can look at for next year is more social events.

Coach's Report Gregg Thurlbeck

Gregg announced that he will be retiring from coaching the club in 2025. He is giving the team time to consider its replacement options.

Our swim meet for 2024 will be held January 28.

Gregg will be the meet manager for the 2024 MSO Championships which will be held in Markham..... March 22,23, 24. He is hopeful that Alderwood members will both officiate and participate at the meet. There could be a cost incentive for doing both. Gregg has started to use a new phone to video swimmers and share the images as a teaching tool. He hopes to do more of this in the future, filming both from the deck and from underwater.

Special thanks to Angela Hill for providing the pizza for all to enjoy.