

**MINUTES OF THE  
AUSTRALIAN SWIMMING INC  
BOARD TELECONFERENCE  
Friday, 23 January 2004**

The meeting was opened at 9.00Am

**1. Attendance**

John Devitt AM	President
Lynne Bates	Director
Peter Harford	Director
Neil Martin	Director
Tim Ford	Director
Colin Davis	Director
Peter Mannes	Director
David Urquhart	Director
Kieren Perkins OAM	Director
Roger Smith AM	Director Ex-Officio
Glenn Tasker	Chief Executive Officer
 Leigh Nugent	 Acting High Performance Director (Visitor)

**2. FINA Technical Swimming Seminar**

2.1 The Chief Executive Officer reported that FINA was conducting a Technical Swimming Seminar in Cancun, Mexico on 19-20 March.

2.2 Mr Smith indicated that the Technical Committee had sought applications from all FINA accredited officials and then discussed applications during a teleconference. He also reported that Australian Swimming's commitment is the airfare and that FINA pays the accommodation and meal costs.

2.3 The Board approved the nomination of Janelle Barnett as the Australian Swimming representative to the FINA Technical Swimming Seminar in Mexico.

**3. National Team Head Coaches**

3.1 The Chief Executive Officer referred to the paper sent to Directors the previous evening. He indicated that a review sub-committee had found through the Barcelona de-briefs that both athletes and coaches were not sure of the "chain of command" on the National Team.

3.2 There was also concern about the possibility of two coaching positions on the Olympic Team being filled by coaches without athletes on the Team. This would bring the coach/athlete ratio up to 1:6, which is outside Australian Swimming's preferred ratio of 1:4.

3.3 The Board endorsed the appointment of Leigh Nugent as head coach of Australian Swimming for the remainder of 2004.

3.4 The Board further determined that the secondment agreements with the University of Sydney (Brian Sutton) and the Queensland Academy of Sport (Scott Volkers) be terminated as per clause 14 of the secondment agreements.

#### **4. Close**

The President thanked the Directors for their contributions and closed the meeting at 9.30am.

#### **5. Next Meeting**

It was agreed that the next meeting of the Board be held on Friday, 20 February at 10.00am at the Australian Swimming offices in Canberra.