

**Titans Water Polo Executive Team  
Special Meeting  
Monday, April 18, 2005**

On deck classroom, Nepean Sportsplex

Present: Pierre Tremblay, President  
Rosemary Bickerton, Facilities Coordinator  
Doug Hodgson, Finance Director  
Carolyn McGill, Registrar, Secretary  
David Hart, Head Coach  
Hurd Stein, Competitive Program Director  
Sue Sidebottom, Nessies Manager  
Ed Sennema  
Nicole Le Saux  
Cathie English

Call to order at 8:00 p.m.

Titans Academy member Sarah Green and her mother Marguerite Cleinge-Green died at the scene of a motor vehicle accident on April 16. This was a special meeting to discuss the Titans' response to the tragedy.

Sue Sidebottom first heard the news, and relayed it to the Executive, David Hart, Kasia Hart, Academy managers, and Nessies families on Saturday night. David reported that he told the news to athletes attending the Cadet Girls Nationals as they boarded the bus to Ottawa on Sunday.

Sue and Pierre have been in touch with Paul Massel, a club member who is a close friend of the Green family. Through Paul, Pierre has relayed the Titans' condolences and willingness to stand by the family. Pierre, David and Sue are to attend the funeral on Friday.

The following was agreed by consensus:

The Titans will hire a grief counselor and offer sessions for Academy athletes, coaches, and parents. The sessions will take place prior to the next practices for boys and girls.

Pierre will attend the next Nessies session as a co-coach to support Kasia.

Sue and Pierre will collaborate on a communication to the Academy to include: information from the death notice, times and locations of the counselling sessions, and links to resources on dealing with grief in children. Carolyn will revise as needed and send the notice to Cadet and Youth team families.

Doug will make a memorial donation from the Titans to the family's charity of choice. Pierre will buy a sympathy card and sign it on behalf of the club.

Academy members who wish to attend the funeral will be advised that they should be accompanied by a parent.

Sue has provided water polo pictures for a slide show during the visitation. Other club members will be advised that the family requests additional photos, which can be emailed to Paul Massel.

For presentation to the family at a later time, Sue will frame a team photo or photo montage – possibly having team members sign the mat, adding a poem by Kasia and including a gold medal from the Bantam Coed Provincials. The family will also receive Sarah's trophy, which would have been presented to her at the Academy year-end party.

The Titans wish to establish an award in Sarah's name, possibly a trophy for the winner of the developmental division of the Titans Cup. The family will be approached about this at a later time.

The Titans wish to offer the family a fair refund of fees and/or account monies, this offer to be made at a suitable future time.

Adjourned at 9:00 p.m.