

Yorkshire Swimming Association
Minutes of Annual General Meeting
held at Leeds Beckett University, Headingley Campus, Leeds 6
on Saturday 18th January 2020 at 1.00 p.m.

Present:

Past Presidents: Mr. D. Alexander, Mr. D. Dickenson, Mr. S. Greetham, Mr. J. Hickey, Mrs. M. McClung, Mr. P. Morrison, Mr. R. Perrell, Mr. A.S. Walker and Mrs. J. Weatherington.

Club Representatives: Airedale & Wharfedale A.S.A, Borough of Barnsley S.C., Borough of Kirklees S.C., Bridlington S.C., Bradford S.C., City of Bradford S.C., City of Leeds Diving, City of Leeds S.C., City of Leeds Synchro, City of Sheffield S.S., City of Wakefield S.C., East Leeds S.C., Halifax S.C., Harrogate District S.C., Kirklees & District A.S.A., Scarborough S.C., Scarborough & District A.S.A., Sheffield & District A.S.A., Sheffield City S.C. & White Rose Junior Swimming League
Mr. T. Wilkinson, Chairman.
Mr. D. Alexander, Secretary.
Mr. J. Beaumont, Treasurer.
Mrs. S. Prasad, President.
Mr. B. Crawford. President-Elect.
Mr. B. Saunders, Management Board member.
Mr. K. Parker, Masters Committee Secretary.
Mr. R. Wardle, Management Board member.
Ms. G. Wright, Management Board member.

Also, in attendance (non-voting); Mr. David Parry (Swim England North East Aquatic Development Officer).

Before the start of the meeting delegates stood in silent memory of Past President Dr. Robin Muir-Cochrane who had passed away in October.

The Chairman welcomed delegates and declared the meeting open.

1. Apologies

Apologies for absence had been received: Mr. G. F. Alexander, Mr. C. Bland, Mr. M. Burgin, Mr. A. Day, Mr. A. Donlan, Mrs. W. Emmerson, Mrs. N. Muir-Cochrane, Mrs. G. Rudd, Mr. J. B. Tiffin, Brighouse S.C., and South Holderness S.C.

2. Appointment of Tellers

Mrs. J. Hoyle and Mr. S. Hoyle were appointed as tellers.

3. Minutes

With the following corrections,

Bridlington S.C. added to the delegates present.

It was recorded that Pam Morgan (Scarborough S.C.) had been awarded an M.B.E. in the Queen's Honours list. This for her services to Open Water Swimming and Charity work.

With those amendments the minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on the 19th January 2019 were accepted.

4. Matters Arising

There were no matters arising from the minutes.

5. Reports

5.1 Annual Report

Mr. Alexander, Secretary, presented the Annual Report as written.

He had nothing to add to the report and there were no matters raised.

The report was accepted.

5.2 Diving Committee Report

Although there was no Diving Committee, Helen Dutton Swim England North East Region Diving Manager, had produced a report that was accepted. A new Diving Committee was in the process of being formed.

5.3 Masters Committee Report

Mr. Parker, Committee Secretary, presented his Report as printed. He had nothing to add to the report and there were no matters raised.

The report was accepted.

5.4. Swimming Committee Report

Mr. Saunders, Committee Secretary, presented his Report as printed he had nothing to add to the report. Mr. Greetham asked if there was a representative from Open Water Swimming on the Committee in view that there was not an Open Water Committee. He was informed that there was not an Open Water representative on the Committee. His comment was noted.

The report was accepted.

5.5. Synchronised Swimming Committee Report

Ms. Wright presented the report as written. She reported that the standard in County continued to improve and several swimmers had made National teams.

The report was accepted.

6. Financial Report

6.1. Accounts

Mr. Beaumont, Treasurer, presented his first Financial Report. It had been difficult as he was not in post at the start of the present Financial Year. Going forward he will be showing the figures in a different format that should make it easier to see where the income came from and how the expenditure went. He offered his thanks to Ruth at PCLG who help with the audit.

6.1.1 Mr. Greetham asked if there had been any progress on setting up another Bank Account. Nothing had been decided but Mr. Beaumont was looking at some options.

6.1.2 Mr. Saunders pointed out that doing a like for like against the previous year's figures did not always give a clear comparison as the Winter Competition Income and Expenditure could fall into two different Financial Years. It was agreed the Board look at moving the Financial Year end to the 31st December,

The report was accepted.

6.2. Affiliation Fees

Delegates approved the decision of the Management Board at their meeting in June, and on the advice of the Treasurer, that the Affiliation Fee and the Per Capita Charge the same as for 2019.

The Club Affiliation Fee to remain at £6.00 per club.

6.3 Account Examiners

It was proposed that PCLG of York act as the Independent Examiners for the accounts.

This was agreed.

7. Elections

7.1 President

The retiring President, Mrs. Prasad had attended numerous events in 2019 and had been made most welcome resulting in this being an enjoyable year in office. She did offer her apologies to the Synchro Committee as she had been unable to attend any of their Competitions. She will however try to get to one during this year.

Mr. Bill Crawford was installed is the Association President for 2020.

Mrs. Prasad presented Mr. Crawford with the Presidential Chain of Office.

Mr. Crawford was proud to take up the position of President and thanked his proposer Peter Lilley and his seconder Stuart Walker.

7.2. President Elect

There were no nominations for the position of President Elect. The Secretary had identified a suitable person for the position and would keep members informed of any progress. In the meantime, it was agreed that the matter be discussed by the Management Board.

7.3 Management Board

Mrs. Sue Prasad and Mrs. Sherrie Gortschacher were elected to the Management Board for a 4-year Term of Office. The Secretary wished to record his thanks to Mr. Walker who was not seeking re-election to the Management Board.

8. Rule Changes

It was agreed that the following Rules be deleted:

Rule 7.3.12, 7.3.13, 7.3.13.1 & 7.3.13.2

These were due to the Swim England North East Region moving the date of their Annual General Meeting.

It was agreed that the following Rules be re-numbered as shown:

Rule 7.3.12.1 now to be Rule 7.3.11.6

Rule 7.3.12.2 now to be Rule 7.3.11.7

Rule 7.3.12.3 now to be Rule 7.3.11.8

Rule 7.3.12.4 now to be Rule 7.3.11.9

Rule 7.3.12.5 now to be Rule 7.3.11.10

ADD as New Rule 7.3.11.11: if required appoint the number of Directors to the Swim England North East Region Board of Directors.

This was agreed

ADD as New Rule 7.3.11.12: appoint the required number of delegates to represent the Association at the Swim England North East Ltd. Annual General Meeting.

This was agreed.

ADD as New Rule 18.1 (line 3) after Treasurer: where possible two signatories must approve all transactions made by online banking. Where online banking is used all such transactions must be reviewed by the Management Board at their next meeting.

This was agreed.

9. Any other relevant Business

9.1 Mr. Walker gave details of a forthcoming online Judge 1 course. Members were concerned that there was a Fee of £20.00 payable for this. Although not confirmed it was suggested that the fee would be refund on completion of the course. This may be from the Region/County.

9.2 Ms. Rickard raised the matter of the web site. The Webmaster, Mr. Wilkinson noted the comments made and advised that the issue was on the agenda for the Management Board meeting that will follow the AGM today.

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 1.40 p.m.