

Yorkshire Swimming Association

Minutes of Annual General Meeting held at Leeds Metropolitan University, Beckett Park Campus, Leeds 6 on Saturday 4th January 2014 at 1.00 p.m.

Present:

Past Presidents: Mr. D. Alexander, Mr. L.S. Beatty, Mr. A. Day, Mr. D. Dickenson, Mr. A. Donlan, Mrs. W. Emmerson, Mr. J. Hickey, Mr. P. Morrison, Mrs. N. Muir-Cochrane, Dr. R. Muir-Cochrane, Mr. R. Perrell, Miss D. Rose, Mrs. G. Rudd, Mrs. J. Weatherington and Mr. H. Young.

Delegates:

Aireborough S.C., Airedale & Wharfedale District A.S.A., City of Bradford S.C. City of Sheffield W.P.C., East Leeds S.C., English Roses W.P.C., Halifax S.C. and White Rose Junior Swimming League.
Mr. M. Burgin, President. Mr. B. McLean, President Elect
Mr. G. Hill, Acting Treasurer. Mr. J. Cole, Management Board member.
Mrs. S. Prasad, Management Board member.
Mr. B. J. Saunders, Management Board member/Swimming Committee Secretary.
Mr. H. Rudd, Management Board Chairman.
Mr. W. Cooper, Synchronised Swimming Committee Secretary.
Mrs. A. C. McCabe, Masters Committee Secretary.

The Chairman, Mr. Rudd, welcomed delegates and asked them to stand in memory of Mr. Malcolm Hill, Treasurer, who had passed away in August.

1. Apologies

Apologies for absence had been received: Mr. G. F. Alexander, Mr. D. Lee, Mr. J. B. Tiffin and Mr. A.S. Walker.

2. Tellers

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

3. Minutes

The minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on the 5th January 2013 were accepted as a true record.

4. Matters Arising

There were no matters arising from those minutes.

5. Reports

5.1. Annual Report

Mr. Alexander, Secretary, presented his report as printed.

He added that it had been a difficult time since the death of Malcolm Hill but with the help of Gary Hill the financial matters including the yearend accounts had been dealt with successfully.

The following was noted;

5.1.1 The club for the nomination of Bill Cooper as the Synchronised Swimming Committee Secretary was Pudsey Pearls S.S.C. and not Borough of Kirklees.

The report was approved.

5.2. Diving Report

In the absence of a Diving Committee Secretary Mr. Alexander had produced a Diving Report and presented it as printed.

The report was approved.

5.3. Masters Report

Mrs. McCabe, Committee Secretary, presented the report as printed.

The report was approved.

5.4. Swimming Report

Mr. Saunders, Committee Secretary, presented his report as printed and had only made reference to medal winners.

The report was approved.

5.5. Championships Report

Mr. Dickenson, Championships Secretary, presented his report as printed adding that the Competitions continued to be a success. He praised the volunteers working at the event as they worked well together as a team.

The Chairman added his thanks to all who were involved in running the event.

The report was approved.

5.6. Open Water Report

Mr. Alexander presented the Open Water report based on information he had obtained from the British Swimming and/or the A.S.A. web site.
The report was approved.

5.7. Synchronised Swimming Report

Mr. Cooper, Committee Secretary, presented his report as printed and the following points were noted;

5.7.1 He confirmed that a new club, Leeds Mermaids, had been set up and affiliated.

5.7.2 Due to changes in the A.S.A. competition set up our 2014 Championships would be run differently than in previous years.

The report was approved

5.8. Water Polo Report

Mrs. Clayton, Committee Secretary presented her report as written.

She did find it difficult to access news about players taking part in National Teams.

Mr. Beatty reported that Gareth Twohey had recently been appointed to officiate at the World Masters Championships in Canada.

6. Financial Report

6.1. Accounts

Mr. G. Hill, Acting Treasurer, presented the Annual Accounts.

The following points were noted;

6.1.1 Mr. Beatty had given notice that we would not be sponsoring the Teams Championships anymore. Mr. Hill offered his thanks to Leo for his past contributions.

6.1.2 Mr. Saunders was concerned that the Swimming Championships were the main source of income and he asked that the Management Board address this matter.

6.1.3 Mr Donlan requested that the Management Board draw up plans for some succession planning in order that we are able to replace any of the top Officials should they no longer be available to carry out their duties.

The Chairman offered his thanks to Gary for taking over as Treasurer at short notice and for doing such excellent work.

6.2. Affiliation Fees

The decision of the Management Board, on the advice of the Treasurer (Mr. M. Hill), not to increase the per capita charge of 50p per member was noted.

7. Account Examiners

It was agreed that PCL Group of York act as the Independent Examiners for the accounts.

8. Elections

8.1 President

Mr. P. Morrison proposed Mr. Brian McLean as the 2014 President.

All delegates voted in favour.

Mr. McLean was installed as President and was presented with the Chain of Office by the outgoing President Mr. Burgin who had thanked everyone who had helped make his year in office so pleasant. He had not been able to attend all the events he had been invited to due illness.

In his first duty as President Mr. McLean presented Mr. Burgin with the Presidents Certificate and Lapel Badge.

8.2. President Elect

There being no nominations received for the position and delegates agreed that the matter be passed to the Management Board.

8.3 Treasurer

With no nominations for the position of Treasurer the Chairman rules that nominations could be taken from the floor of the meeting.

8.3.1 Mr. L. Beatty proposed the name of Mr. G Hill and this was seconded.

8.3.2 Mr. T. Wilkinson proposed the name of Mr. I. Law and this was seconded.

A ballot took place with delegates voting in favour of Mr. Hill.

8.4 Management Board

Mr. Barry Saunders was elected as a member of the Management Board for a 4 year term.

There was another place available but no nomination had been received and it was agreed that the matter be passed to the Management Board.

8.5 Masters Committee Secretary:

Mrs. Christine McCabe was elected as Masters Committee Secretary.

8.6 Swimming Committee Secretary:

Mr. Barry Saunders was elected as Swimming Committee Secretary.

8.7 Championships Secretary:

The delegates approved the Management Board decision to appoint Mr. David Dickenson as Championships Secretary.

8.8 Synchronised Swimming Committee Secretary:

Mr. Bill Cooper was elected as Synchronised Swimming Committee Secretary.

8.9 Water Polo Committee Secretary:

Mrs. Judi Clayton was elected as Water Polo Committee Secretary.

9. Changes to Rule

There were no changes to the Rules proposed.

10. Any other relevant Business

10.1 Roll of Honour: It was agreed that the name of Mr. Malcolm Hill be added to the Roll of Honour in recognition of his contribution to the Association over many years. It was also agreed that the Management Board make a decision on the future of the award.

10.2 Mr. Wilkinson, Webmasters noted that the URL www.yorkshireswimming.org is paid for until the 1st September 2018.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 2.00 p.m.