

# YORKSHIRE SWIMMING ASSOCIATION

President – Mrs Wendy Emmerson

**Minutes of the Fifth Meeting of the Management Board held on Tuesday 8th September 2009 at the Aquatic Centre, John Charles Centre for Sport, Leeds starting at 7.15 p.m.**

**Present:** Mr. A. Donlan (Chairman), Mr. D. Alexander (Secretary), Mr. J. Cole, Mr. D. Dickenson, Mrs. W. Emmerson, Mr. R. Perrell, Mrs. S. Prasad and Mr. H. Rudd

Also in attendance: Ms. V. Norman, A.S.A. County Swimming Co-ordinator (West Yorkshire).

**Apologies:** Mr. M. Hill (Treasurer), Mr. B. Saunders, Mr. T.J. Wilkinson and Ms G Ripley.

## **47. Minutes**

The Minutes of the Fourth Meeting held on the 15th July were presented and approved as a true record.

## **48. Matters Arising**

The following matters arising from the minutes were discussed;

48.1 (min 39.3): Head Coach, This matter is on hold at the present time.

48.2 (min 42.8): Noted that Mrs. Muir-Cochrane has agreed to attend the ASA North East Region Annual Council Meeting as one of our representatives.

48.3 (min 42.8): Mr. M. Hill was no longer able to attend and Mrs. W. Emmerson was elected to attend in his place.

48.4 (min45.1): The Secretary had contacted Mr Saunders making him aware of the concerns of the Board. It was noted that the Awards had only recently been distributed but several winners had not received them. It was agreed that the matter be referred back to the Swimming Committee.

48.5 (min 35.1): Mr. Rudd asked that financial matters are clearly shown as a role of a Board member.

48.6 (min 36.2): A.S.A. Council Conference. Due to a poor response members were again asked to reconsider their decision not to attend. It was pointed out that the majority of members would either be attending or were involved in other events being held at the same time.

## **49. Secretary's Report**

49.1 Members were reminded that the closing date for nominations for the Henry Dixon Trophy was the 1st November. Nominations can only come from Board members.

49.2 The Association have accepted the invitation to take part in the A.S.A. Inter County Masters Competition in November.

## **50. Treasurer's Report**

50.1 Mr. Alexander advised the meeting that the accounts would be closed at the end of September and had been asked by the Treasurer to remind members with any outstanding expense claims to submit then as soon as possible.

## **51. Swimming Committee Report**

The minutes of the Swimming Committee meeting held on the 8th July were presented.

The following matter arising from the minutes were noted;

51.1 Members questioned the wording in the minute regarding 'annual registration fee'. They were of the opinion that what was agreed was the 'A.S.A. Officials License Fee'.

51.2 members were disappointed there would not be a Coaches Conference in 2009.

## **52. Water Polo Committee**

52.1 The minutes/notes from the meeting held on the 1st April were still not available. This despite the Secretary contacting Mr. Butler.

## **53. Synchronised Swimming Committee**

53.1 The minutes from the meeting held on the 15th July were presented. There no relevant matters to discuss.

## **54. ASA North East Region**

54.1 Members gave consideration to the ASA North East Region Annual Report and the Annual Council Meeting. There were no relevant matters to discuss.

## **55. A.S.A. Board**

The A.S.A. Board had not met since the last meeting.

## **56. County Swimming Co-ordinator**

Ms. Norman presented the report from the Regional Team and the following points were noted;

- 56.1 Free Swimming: The County Swimming Co-ordinators have been busy in the Yorkshire & Humber area co-ordinating the delivery of free swimming lessons programme. All local authorities that are participating in the free swimming initiative have been invited to bid for funding to deliver swimming lessons to anybody over the age of 11.
- 56.2 Club Management: Swim 21 accreditations were successful, Harrogate Diving (Competitive Development), Grimsby Alexandra and Dolphins Diving (Teaching) and Rotherham Junior Water Polo (Teaching).
- 56.3 Workforce Development: The remit of workforce development falls under the role of the County Swimming Co-ordinators. This involves working with individual centres and programming their course needs including level1 and 2 and C.P.D.'s to support their staff. The team are currently working with the IoS recognised venues to co-ordinate and promote a programme of courses.

## **57. Any other relevant Business**

- 57.1 Sports Aid Foundation: Mrs Emmerson was pleased to report that she had received two letters of thanks from swimmers who had received grants.
- 57.2 Welfare Officer: Mrs Emmerson had received some item of correspondence regarding welfare matters. As the Association was unable to appoint a Welfare Officer this year Mrs Emmerson offered to take on this role again. This was agreed with thanks.

## **58. Date of next Meeting**

The date of the next meeting was confirmed as Wednesday 9th December at 7.15 p.m. in the Denison Room at the Aquatic Centre, John Charles Centre for Sport, Leeds.

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 8.02 p.m.