

YORKSHIRE SWIMMING ASSOCIATION

President – Bill Crawford

Minutes of the Sixty-Fourth Meeting of the Management Board held on Wednesday 4th November 2020 by Video Conferencing (Zoom) starting at 7.15 p.m.

Present: Mr Terry Wilkinson (Chairman), Mr David Alexander (Secretary), Mr Jason Beaumont (Treasurer), Mr Bill Crawford (President), Mrs Sherrie Gortschacher, Mrs Mary McClung, Mr Roger Perrell, Mrs Sue Prasad, Mr Barry Saunders & Mr Rod Wardle.

Also, in attendance, by invite; Mr David Parry (Swim England North East Region Aquatic Development Officer).

Apologies were recorded for Mr. Kev Sissons and Ms Gemma Wright.

672. Minutes

The Minutes of the Sixty-Third meeting held on the 9th September were presented to the meeting and were approved as a true record. There were no matters arising from the minutes.

673. Secretary's Report

673.1: It was noted that the booking with Leeds Beckett University for our 2021 Annual General Meeting had been cancelled as the room was no longer available.

673.2: It was agreed that the 2021 Annual General Meeting will still take place on Saturday 16th January. It will be held via Zoom on-line video Conferencing and will start at 2.00 p.m.

673.3: The Board approved the nomination of Terry Wilkinson as Chairman for a 4-year term of office.

673.4: It was noted that there had not been any nominations received for the position of Secretary. In order to ensure that the position of Chairman & Secretary did not fall for election in the same year Mr Alexander agreed to remain as Secretary for another year and that his successor be appointed for a 4-year term of office at the 2022 Annual General Meeting. It was also agreed that the Board actively seek to recruit his successor. Mr Alexander agreed to draft a Role Description for the post.

673.5: It was noted that the nominations for Mary McClung and Gemma Wright as Management Board members had been received and would be put to the Annual General Meeting for approval.

673.6: 2021 President

Due to there being very little ceremonial duties in 2020 the President agreed to remain in office for another year. The President Elect, Mrs Ann Barker, agreed to delay her installation as President until the 2022 Annual General Meeting.

674. Treasurer

674.1: Mr. Beaumont presented his written report with an up to date Financial Statement and outlined a couple of items of expenditure.

674.2: Mr Wilkinson suggested that there was a need for some future financial planning in view of the present circumstances. The Treasurer agreed to investigate this and report back to the next meeting.

675. Technical Sub-Committee Reports

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675.1: Gemma Wright had circulated a brief report, on behalf of the Committee, to members. There were no matters discussed from the report.

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675.2.1: A comprehensive Committee report from Helen Dutton had been distributed to members.

675.2.2: It was noted that the Harrogate Diving Club had enquired about funding for the Dryland Zoom Sessions that they were holding during the lockdown period. It was agreed that the Secretary seek more information from the club on this matter.

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675.3: Mr Saunders gave a verbal report. He informed the meeting that the planned County Championships due to take place in February 2021 have been postponed. They are likely to now take place in May/June.

The proposed County Camps were not able to take place. The selected swimmers would receive a County Camp.

676. Swim England North East Region Report

676.1: The minutes of the Board of Directors meeting held on the 22nd September were presented to the meeting.

676.2: Min 59.2: Approval was given for Minsthorpe Marlins S.C. to change their name to Pontefract Marlins S.C.

It was noted from the minutes that the two Regional Development Officers had carried out extra work due to the Swim England Club Development Officer being off work. Going forward they had undertaken additional work due to the restructure carried out by Swim England.

676.3: Mr Parry, Regional Development Officer had circulated his report on the 2019-2022 Development Plan to members. Mr. Parry gave more details on several of the items.

677. Annual Awards

677.1: HENRY DIXON TROPHY: Due to there being insufficient competition during the qualifying period the Trophy will not be awarded for 2020.

677.2: ADRIAN MOORHOUSE SCHOLARSHIP: It was agreed that due to the present circumstances the Award would be jointly awarded to Matthew Woodhall (City of Sheffield S.S.) and Isabelle Goodwin (City of Leeds S.C.)

677.3: VINCENT & MARGARET HORNER TROPHY: With no nominations received the Panel were in the process of deciding a winner. The Secretary to arrange a suitable time for the presentation due to the Championships being postponed.

678. Any other relevant Business

678.1: Dates for the 2021 Management Board meetings were agreed as:
Wednesday 20th January, Wednesday 31st March, Wednesday 9th June, Wednesday 1st September, and Wednesday 3rd November.

The venue and times to be decided later and will be subject to Covid19 restrictions if still applicable.

678.2: It was agreed that to ensure the smooth running of an on-line Annual General Meeting some of the Rules in place for the meeting would be set aside for this year. However, every effort will be made to reduce this to a minimum.

678.3: The Secretary confirmed that it was his intention, at present, to produce an Annual Report although it would be more reduced due to the limited amount of Competition during the qualifying period.

679. Date of next Meeting

The date of the next Sixty-Fifth meeting was confirmed as Wednesday 20th January. Time and Venue to be decided later.

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 8.04 p.m.