

YORKSHIRE SWIMMING ASSOCIATION

President – Mr Bill Crawford

Minutes of the Sixty-First Meeting of the Management Board held by Video Conference on Wednesday 18th March 2020 starting at 7.15 p.m.

Taking part: Terry Wilkinson (Chairman), David Alexander (Secretary), Jason Beaumont (Treasurer), Sherrie Gortschacher, Mary McClung, Sue Prasad, Barry Saunders & by invitation David Parry (Swim England North East Region Aquatic Development Officer). Also taking part by mobile phone Bill Crawford (President)

The Chairman welcomed all to this, the first video conference, meeting and opened the meeting.

648. Apologies
Apologies for absence were recorded in respect of Kevin Sissons, Rod Wardle & Gemma Wright.
649. Minutes
The minutes of the Sixtieth Meeting held on the 18th January were agreed as a true record.
650. Matters Arising
The following matters arising from the minutes were noted;
- 650.1 (min 640.2.1): The dates for the 2021 Championships to be held at John Charles Pool were confirmed as 6th/7th & 13th/14th February.
- 650.2 (min 646.1): Vicky Spencer has agreed to take on the role of Welfare Officer. The changeover was in hand but was not yet complete and may have been delayed due to the present circumstances.
651. Secretary's Report
Mr. Alexander reported on the following matters;
- 651.1 It was agreed that the two Directors to the Swim England North East Region would be Barry Saunders & David Watson.
- 651.2 The Association representatives to the Swim England Annual Council Meeting would be selected later. POST MEETING: This had been cancelled.
- 651.3 Noted that a letter of thanks had been received from Jason Robson on his receiving the Adrian Moorhouse Scholarship.
652. Treasurer's Report
Mr. Beaumont circulated a printed report covering the present account balances and the income and expenditure payments.
- 652.1 It was agreed that he make the payment to Rockingham Trophies that was over the limit as per Rule 18.1
653. Technical Sub-Committee Reports
- 653.1: Diving: There was no report from the Diving Committee Secretary
- 653.2: Masters: The minutes of the Masters Committee meeting held on the 8th January had been circulated and the following points were noted;
- 653.2.1 The Masters Championships due to be held on the 16th May have been cancelled.
- 653.2.2 It was confirmed that the Northern part of the Swim England Inter County Masters would take place on Saturday 15th November at the John Charles Pool Leeds.
- 653.2.3 The next meeting of the Masters Committee was planned for Wednesday 25th March at the Denison Suite. However, the room was no longer available & the Committee Secretary was looking at the possibility of holding the meeting by Video Conference.
- 653.3: Swimming:
- 653.3.1 2020 Championships; Mr Saunders reported that the Championships had been successfully completed. The Team Championships had provided some excellent swimming with a tremendous atmosphere. There was an issue with the 800 & 1500 Freestyle where there were too many qualifiers.
- 653.3.2 The minutes of the Committee meeting held on the 4th March will be circulated later.
It was noted that the County Camp due to take place on the 5th April has been cancelled as have all the scheduled Meets for the foreseeable future.
- 653.4: Artistic Swimming: There was no report. It was noted that following advice from Swim England the sport will in future become Artistic Swimming. This to fall in line with FINA.

654. Swim England North East Region Report
- 654.1 The minutes of the Management Board meeting held on the 15th January had been considered at the last Board meeting in January.
 - 654.2 Mr Parry covered items in his written report that had yet to be circulated with some items being amended due to the present circumstances.
 - 654.3 Face to face delivery of many initiatives such as regional coach conference, talent camps, and many coach/workforce CPD/education opportunities will not take place.
 - 654.4 Efforts are being made with Swim England colleagues to move learning where possible online.
 - 654.5 Clubs are asking for guidance on a wide range of areas such as insurance questions, training options, holding ACM's etc.
 - 654.6 A set of FAQs' are being produced and will be made available once completed.
 - 654.7 The Swim England Talent team are creating alternative methods of training while clubs have no access to pools.

It's anticipated that we will be able to support clubs with SwimMark accreditation and Stronger affiliation during this current phase of work.

The Coach Mentor programme with the support of the Swim England Talent Team will also hopefully be developed in consultation with colleagues.

655. Date of next meeting
The date of the next, Sixty-Second, meeting was amended from Wednesday 3rd June to Wednesday 17th June at a venue and time to be confirmed.

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 7:40 p.m.