

YORKSHIRE SWIMMING ASSOCIATION

President – Mr Bill Crawford

Minutes of the Sixty-Third Meeting of the Management Board held on Wednesday 9th September 2020 by Video Conferencing starting at 7.15 p.m.

Present: Mr. Terry Wilkinson (Chairman), Mr. David Alexander (Secretary), Mr. Jason Beaumont (Treasurer), Mrs Sherrie Gortschacher, Mrs. Mary McClung, Mr. Roger Perrell, Mrs Sue Prasad, Mr. Barry Saunders, Mr. Kev Sissons, Mr. Rod Wardle and Ms. Gemma Wright.

Apologies were recorded for Mr. David Parry (Swim England North East Aquatic Development Office).

Before the start of the meeting members remained silent as a mark of respect for Past President and former Secretary Gordon Alexander and Technical Official Robert Donovan who had passed away recently.

665. Minutes

The minutes of the Sixty-Second meeting held on the 8th July were presented to the meeting. The minutes were approved as a true record with all members voting in favour.

666. Matters Arising

There were no matters arising from the minutes.

667. Secretary's Report

Mr. Alexander reported on the following matters:

667.1 Document Retention: It was agreed that minutes from previous meetings should be retained, and if possible, at a suitable storage facility.

667.2 Disciplinary correspondence held by the Secretary should be shredded after a period of six years.

667.3 Succession planning: Although nomination forms had been circulated to clubs the position of the Association Secretary to be reviewed at the November meeting.

668. Covid-19 matters

668.1 Artistic Swimming: Ms Wright gave an update on how the clubs were getting on during the pandemic. Only City of Leeds had returned to training but not all their groups were involved.

668.2 Clubs: Mrs McClung, Halifax S.C., reported that the Halifax pool was still closed and was unlikely to open soon. There was a mixture of success with clubs returning to training and those that had were following the Swim England guidelines.

668.3 NER Report: Mr. Parry had supplied a written report based on the Regional Development Plan for 2019-2022.

668.4 Ponds Forge International Venue: Mr. Saunders reported that recent Press Reports had indicated that the Council meeting.

668.5 City of Sheffield Swim Squad: Mr. Saunders had received a message from the club Chairman who reported that, despite the present issues, the club were in no immediate financial concern.

668.6 It was agreed that the Board may consider offers of financial support to member clubs in an effort to ensure that all levels of the aquatic sport continue to operate to the highest level possible and to emerge from the present pandemic. Clubs would be required to provide evidence of how their operational plans will provide longevity and what part other sources of funding might play. The Treasurer advised that it may not be possible to offer funding to all the affiliated clubs.

669. Treasurer's Report

Mr. Beaumont supplies his written report on the present Financial position of the Association. It was noted that the only expenditure since the last meeting was for the supply of the 2021 medals.

670. Any other Business

670.1 Mr. Saunders reported that Skipton S.C. were to lose their Learn to Swim sessions following the decision of the Council to run these sessions. Swim England were looking into this matter.

671. Date of next Meeting

It was confirmed that the next, Sixty-Fourth, Meeting will take place via Video Conferencing on Wednesday 4th November starting at 7.15 p.m.

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 7.46 p.m.