

# YORKSHIRE SWIMMING ASSOCIATION

President – Mr A Stuart Walker

Minutes of the Forty-Eighth Meeting of the Management Board held on Wednesday 6th September 2017 in the Meeting Room, Bowls Centre, John Charles Centre for Sport, Leeds starting at 7.30 p.m.

The Chairman apologised for the late start and having to move to the Bowls Centre.

Present: Mr Terry Wilkinson (Chairman), Mr David Alexander (Secretary), Mr Stuart Walker (President), Mrs Mary McClung, Mr Roger Perrell, Mrs Sue Prasad, Mr Barry Saunders and Ms Gemma Wright.

Also in attendance, by invitation:

Mr David Parry, Swim England North East, Regional Development Officer.

Mr Dan Ramm, Swim England Club Development Officer.

Apologies were recorded from Mr Gary Hill (Treasurer), Mr Bill Cooper, Mrs Christine McCabe (Masters Committee Secretary) & Mr Rod Wardle.

Before the start of the meeting members stood in silent memory of Mr Leo Beatty who passed in July. Leo was the Association President in 2003 & 2004.

Condolences were offered to Barry Saunders following the death of his Father in Law.

## 522. Minutes

The minutes of the Forty-Seventh meeting held on the 7th June were presented to the meeting.

The minutes were approved as a true record with all members voting in favour.

## 523. Matters Arising

The following matters arising from the minutes were discussed;

523.1 (min 514.1): Swim England branding. It was agreed that where appropriate the Swim England Affiliated County branding be used. This would not however mean a change to the name of the Association.

523.2 (min 514.4): It was agreed that the Handbook should continue to be published and that the Editor and the Secretary consider reducing the content but retaining the important items that are used for reference.

523.3 (min 515.2): Having now had time to read the Business Case Plan for Synchronised swimming in Leeds it was agreed that the club be awarded the amount requested. It was further agreed that the amount be rounded up to £6,000.

It was agreed that the Treasurer give written answers to the other agenda items under matters arising from the minutes. These were listed as Min 513.1 (March Min 505.1.1), Min 513.2 (March Min 505.1.2), Min 513.3 (March Min 505.2) & Min 517.2.3. (Swimming Committee Min 2017.8). The Secretary to contact the Treasurer for answers as a matter of urgency.

## 524. Secretary's Report

Mr. Alexander reported on the following matters:

524.1: A request from the City of Sheffield S.S. that the proposed date for the 2018 Winter Competition be changed as it clash with their well established Teaspoon Gala on the same date. Mr Saunders confirmed that he and Russ Barber were aware of this situation and date was only provisional and when the Swimming Committee meet to discuss the Competition this situation will be considered.

524.1: Swim England County & Regional Pathway Forum. It was agreed that Mr. Saunders would attend to this matter.

## 525. Treasurer

In the absence of the Treasurer there was no report. Members were disappointed in his continued absence from Board Meetings.

## 526. Technical Sub-Committees

Masters:

526.1 The written report from the Mrs. McCabe, Masters Committee Secretary, was presented to the meeting. The excellent performances of the Masters swimmers from clubs in the County at the British & World Masters Championships were noted. The Report was accepted.

Swimming:

526.2.1 Mr. Saunders gave a verbal report which included information on the County Team selected for the Swim England National Team Championship.

526.2.2 Mr Alexander gave a verbal report on the forthcoming Coaches Conference. The confirmed numbers attending were of a good level and things were in place for what should be another successful event.

526.2.3 Winter Competition.

Entries were still arriving with the closing date being the 15th September.

In the absence of the Treasurer it was not known if the Facilities at Leeds and Sheffield had been booked.

The required number of Technical Officials has been recruited for the event although Sherrie Goertschacher had problem reaching the required number.

- 526.2.6 The results of the Open Water Championships held in July at Salford Quays were noted. The Secretary was keen to see this Championship return to being held in the County and was meeting with Sam Greetham to arrange for an Open Water Officials training course.

Synchronised Swimming:

- 526.3.1: Ms. Wright gave a verbal update on the forthcoming Competition and it was noted that the schedule has had to be changed due to new Conditions having to be applied.
- 526.3.2 The City of Leeds Synchronised Swimming Competition Pathway was presented to the meeting. This has been accepted by other clubs in the County.  
The Chairman offered his thanks to those involved in resolving the issues that had arisen recently.

## 527. ASA North East Region

- 527.1 The minutes of the Management Board meeting held on the 27th June were presented to the meeting. The following matters were noted:
- 527.1.1 min 717.1: Mr. Gordon has suggested removing the need for the Counties to fund Synchronised Swimming.
- 527.1.2 min 720.1: It was noted that the renewal date for the collection of Swim England Membership Fees would be brought forward.
- 527.1.3 min 720.1: It was not possible to introduce a rolling 12 month Membership Fee.
- 527.1.4: min 720.1: It was agreed that the Per Capita charge would increase to £5.25 and would apply for the next 4 years.
- 527.2 Annual Council Meeting. Members discussed some items from the agenda of the meeting. It was noted that Mr. Perrell would substitute for Mr. Alexander as one of our representatives.

## 528 Swim England Sports Board

The minutes of the meeting held on the 7th/8th June were presented to the meeting and the following matter was noted;  
The increased ASA Membership Fees for 2018 were agreed as Category 1 £9.10, Category 2 £26.40 and Category 3 £5.20.

## 529 Swim England North East Region Aquatics Officers Report

Mr. Parry presented his written report to the meeting. Mr. Parry outlined several items in the report. The report was accepted.

## 530 Swim England Club Development Officer Report

Mr. Ramm presented his written report to the meeting and gave more details on some of the items in the report. The report was accepted.

## 531 Date of next Meeting

The date of the next, Forty-Ninth, Meeting was confirmed as Wednesday 8th November in the Denison Suite at the John Charles Centre for Sport, Leeds starting at 7.15 p.m.  
Members requested that a written confirmation of the booking be given by the Treasurer who makes the bookings.

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 8.27 p.m.