

YORKSHIRE SWIMMING ASSOCIATION

President – Mr Bill Crawford

Minutes of the Sixtieth Meeting of the Management Board held on Saturday 18th January 2020 at the Leeds Beckett University, Headingley Campus, Leeds starting at 2.15 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. Kevin Sissons, Mr. Rod Wardle & Ms Gemma Wright.
Also, in attendance (non-voting);
Mr. David Parry (Swim England North East Aquatic Development Officer)
and by invite (non-voting); Helen Dutton (incoming Diving Committee Secretary).

The Chairman welcomed Mrs. Gortschacher to her first meeting and extended the welcome to Mrs. Dutton.

634. Apologies

There were no apologies for absence.

635. Minutes

The minutes of the Fifty-Ninth Meeting held on the 6th November were presented and approved as a true record.

636. Matters Arising

There were no matters arising from the minutes.

637. 2020 Annual General Meeting

The following items referred to the Board by the Annual General Meeting were discussed;

637.1 Financial Year: After a lengthy discussion, that considered all options, it was agreed to leave that Financial Year as at present.

637.2 Course Fees: It was agreed that the if the Association will make the refund to any J1 candidate on them completing the on-line course should this not be covered by the North East Region.

637.3 President Elect: Mr. Alexander was hopeful of getting a nomination for the position.

POST MEETING: Mrs Ann Barker (City of Leeds Diving Club) has agreed to the vacant position.

638. Secretary's Report

638.1 A letter of thanks has been received from the City of Sheffield Diving Club thanking the Association for their generous contribution made toward the additional 1 metre board at Ponds Forge.

638.2 A request for funding in respect of a talented Junior Water Polo player, Amelia Brooksbank, who is a member of Halifax S.C. was considered. The Board were not, on this occasion, able to support any funding.

639. Treasurer's Report

639.1 Mr. Beaumont presented a written report on the present Financial matters.

639.2 He asked for approval of a payment to S.I.V. for pool hire in respect of the forthcoming Swimming Championships. This was agreed.

639.3 Approval was given to the Treasurer to make a payment to John Charles for the pool hire for the Swimming Championships that are taking part there.

640. Technical Sub-Committee Reports

640.1 Masters:

A verbal report from the Masters Committee meeting that took place on the 8th January was given by Mr. Alexander.

640.1.1 The Committee were looking at holding a Masters Training Camp asked if funding towards the cost was available from the Association. There was no funding set aside for such a Camp.

640.1.2 Web Site. A discussion had taken place at the meeting regarding the web site. Since this was an agenda item later in the meeting, and had been discussed at the AGM, this was not discussed.

- 640.2 Swimming:
The minutes of the Swimming Committee meeting held on the 20th November were presented to the meeting and the following matters were noted;
- 640.2.1 2021 & 2022 pool bookings have been made with Ponds Forge for the Championships & Winter Competition.
The Championship dates are 27th/28th February 2021 & 26th/27th February 2022.
The Winter Competition dates are 23rd/24th October 2021 & 22nd/23rd October 2022. The dates for the pool hire at John Charles have yet to be confirmed.

The minutes were approved.

- 640.3 Synchronised Swimming:
640.3.1 The minutes of the meeting of the Synchronised Swimming Committee held on the 15th October were presented to the meeting. Ms Wright updated some of the items in the minutes

The minutes were approved.

- 640.3.2 The minutes of the meeting of the Synchronised Swimming Committee held on the 26th November were presented to the meeting and the following item was noted:

- 640.3.2.1 Ms. Wright commented on the lack of volunteers coming forward to attend the Committee meetings.

The minutes were approved.

641. Technical Sub-Committees

The Secretary for the Sub-Committees were appointed as shown;

- 641.1 Diving: Helen Dutton was appointed.
641.2 Masters: Kyran Parker was appointed.
641.3 Swimming: Barry Saunders was appointed.
641.4 Synchronised Swimming: It was agreed that Sue Barrington and Elaine Tucker share the Secretarial duties.

642. Technical Sub-Committees Appointments

The appointment of members to each of the Technical Sub-Committees was agreed as follows:

- 642.1 Diving: Leanne Jalland, Joe Meszaros, Nikki Smith, Chris Turner-Rowe & Stephanie Verity.
642.2 Masters: Steve Allen, Stuart Hoyle, Peter Ingham, Carolyn Irvine & Philippa Rickard.
642.3 Swimming: Russ Barber, Judith Buck, Sherrie Gortschacher, Roger Perrell, Rod Wardle & Terry Wilkinson.
642.4 Synchronised Swimming: David Entwhistle, Lisa Hesling, Charlotte Hughes, Allison Porter, Jane Terrington, Gemma Wright & Tracy Wyke.

The Chairman, Secretary and Treasurer are ex-officio members of all these committees.

643. Appointments

The following appointments were confirmed;

- 643.1 Awards Co-ordinator: vacant. Covered at present by the Secretary.
643.2 Registrar: Mrs. M. McClung.
643.3 Webmaster: Mr. T. Wilkinson.
643.4 Swim England North East: It was agreed to defer, until the next Board meeting, the appointment of our delegates to their Annual Council meeting.

644. 2021 Annual General Meeting

It was agreed that the 2021 Annual General Meeting will be held on Saturday 16th January at the Leeds Beckett University, Headingley Campus, Leeds. Starting at 1.00 p.m.

645. Swim England North East Region Report

- 645.1 Mr. Saunders gave a verbal report from the Management meeting held on 14th January. The following points were noted:
- 645.1.1 The Annual Council meeting will take place on Saturday 25th April at the John Charles Stadium at 2.00 p.m.
- 645.1.2 Coach Mentors: At present Swim England fund £2,000 towards the deployment of a Coach Mentor in the Region. Subject to confirmation it was agreed to ask each County to fund

£1,000 each which would allow the deployment of 2 Coach mentors in the Region. This was agreed in principle subject to finding out if there are any Coach Mentors at present in the region.

645.1.3 DiSE programme: Swim England are to take over the management of this programme in-house and will appoint staff to run the programme nationally. There are 2 options for this one would be for this to be run Nationally or the Region can have an Officer for the swimming discipline. The board agreed, in principle, for the Region to run it and subject to discussions with the Finance Manager to invest £25,000 for an initial year.

645.2 David Parry gave a verbal report and the following items were noted:

Start Para-Swimming funding has been offered to clubs within the county.

Membership growth funds have been awarded to Sheffield City, City of Sheffield Diving and City of Leeds Synchro.

Coach education courses are scheduled within the county with candidates being supported with coach bursaries from North East Region and the Association.

44 young volunteers are attending two development days scheduled for March.

Regional Swimming Camps are scheduled for 2020 with several members of staff being employed from the county.

Preparations to support clubs with Swim England's stronger affiliation from 2021 are underway.

646. Any other relevant Business

646.1 Welfare Officer: Following the resignation of Cheryl Lyons as the Association Welfare Officer it was agreed that the Secretary contact Vicky Spencer to confirm, a verbal agreement, that she is willing to take over as the Welfare Officer. Thanks to Cheryl were recorded for the excellent work she had done during her time in office.

646.2 Web Site: Following comments made by delegates at the AGM and at the Masters Committee meeting the Webmaster agreed to speak to the Discipline Secretaries to find out exactly what they want from the website. He also asked for comments on what we are wanting from the website.

647. Date of next meeting

The date of the next, Sixty-First meeting was confirmed as Wednesday 18th March. This will take place in the Lecture Room in the Stadium building.

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 3.21 p.m.