

Yorkshire Swimming Association

Minutes of the Executive Meeting held at South Leeds Stadium on Wednesday 22nd September 2005 at 7.30 p.m.

Present:

President/Honorary Secretary: Mr. D. Alexander.

President Elect/Honorary Championships Secretary: Mr. D. Dickenson.

Chairman: Mr. D. Lee.

Honorary Treasurer: Mr. M.G. Hill.

Honorary Synchronized Swimming Committee Secretary: Mr. W.A. Cooper.

Honorary Swimming Committee Secretary: Mr. B.J. Saunders.

Honorary Water Polo Committee Secretary: Mr. J.S. Bonds.

Honorary Club Liaison/Volunteer Liaison Secretary: Mr. T.J. Wilkinson.

ASA Regional Development Officer: Ms. S. Skipper.

Executive: Mr. P. Boyd, Mr. W. Crawford, Mr. A. Day, Mrs. W. Emmerson, Mr. J. Hickey, Mr. S. Johnson, Mrs. N. Muir-Cochrane, Dr. R.R. Muir-Cochrane, Mrs. S. Prasad, Mr. H. Rudd, Mr. R. Stead and Mr. A.S. Walker.

Co-opted Specialist: Mr. A. Donlan.

71 Apologies

Apologies for absence were received from: Mr. L.S. Beatty, Mr. D. Johnstone, Mrs. A.C. McCabe and Mr. S. Greetham.

72 Minutes

Minutes of the meeting held on the 15th June 2005 were approved as a true record, subject to the following amendment.

- 53.1 Yorkshire Records criteria – the minute should have read; it had been agreed to remove the requirement of having to have been born in the County.
The residential qualification has already been removed.
With this amendment the minutes were approved as a true record.

73 Matters arising

- 49.4 Danny Parsonson has replied to the Secretary's letter. It was agreed that he continue with the arrangements for this year's Winter Championships. He has however resigned as Welfare Officer. Letter of thanks for his work on behalf of Yorkshire Swimming Association has been sent.
- 69.3 Mr Twohey – The Secretary has not received a reply to his letter sent to Mr Twohey regarding non-attendance at Executive meetings.
- 49.5 Armthorpe rules were acceptable.
- 59 David Dickenson clarified how he will manage the Presidents role with his Yorkshire Swimming Association poolside duties. David will retain control of all arrangements before the gala day, on the actual day a substitute will do David's poolside computer job whilst David carried out his Presidential role.
- 51.1 Diving results have been distributed to members.
- 52 GB Masters results have been distributed to members.
- 62.2 North Eastern Region President – still unclear about Presidency, will know on 1st October at Inaugural meeting.
- 61.6 Coaches Conference is, and will continue to be organised by the Association.

74 Honorary Secretary's Report

The Honorary Secretary presented a written report of correspondence and highlighted the following matters:-

- 74.1 Mr Twohey resigned as Press Officer.
- 74.2 Driffield secretary – new address.
- 74.3 Huddersfield Cambridge Ladies SC – amended constitution received – secretary seeks permission to approve if satisfactory, once read. Executive agreed.
- 74.4 Bridlington – new rules – secretary seeks permission to approve if satisfactory once read. Executive approved.
- 74.5 Don Valley – new Secretary.
- 74.6 Yorkshire Sports awards – nominations needed.
- 74.7 ESSA results from Primary Schools Team Championships received.
- 74.8 Correct mobile phone number for Lyndsay Heathfield is 07795 470859.

75 Honorary Treasurer's Report

The Treasurer gave a verbal report, and the following matters were noted:-

- 75.1 Expected a small surplus at year-end, due partly to grant from North Eastern Counties for Spanish Training Camp, and no long course pool hire for Swim 21 clubs.

76 Diving Committee Report

Mr Johnstone sent a written report, which was circulated.

- 76.1 Yorkshire Swimming Association Diving Championships are on 30th October at Leeds.
- 76.2 Alan Day requested confirmation on whether any medals are needed?

77 Masters Committee Report

A written report was distributed, some additional comments were:-

- 77.1 24th September – North Eastern Counties Masters at Scarborough definitely going ahead.

78 Swimming Committee Report

Mr Saunders presented a verbal report:

- 78.1 Minutes of meeting held on 17th May were approved.
- 78.2 Meeting arranged for 6th September was postponed.
- 78.3 Yorkshire records – amend criteria regarding eligibility; add “County/Region/Country”
- 78.4 Championships Secretary Report
 - 78.4.1 Winter Championships – numbers up on previous years.
- 78.5 Open Water Report
 - 78.5.1 National Age Group Championships at Holme Pierrepont – David Alexander attended and reported that Rachel Jack (City of Leeds) was the winner of the Girls 15/16 years 1750 metres and Jennifer Clegg (Halifax) was third in the 17-24 years 2000 metres.

79 Synchronised Swimming Report

Mr Cooper gave a verbal report, the following matters were noted:

- 79.1 LTAD programme – alterations to grading etc made.
- 79.2 New info on skill levels/gradings been circulated.
- 79.3 1st October – Synchro Champs at Aireborough.
- 79.4 Training course to be offered in Jan 06 for Judges. To be held at Leeds.

80 Water Polo Committee Report

Mr Bonds gave a verbal report, the following matters were noted:

- 80.1 Yorkshire Championships are 2 months behind schedule, league games are getting in the way of Championship preliminary rounds.
- 80.2 Josh Smith from Huddersfield Otters has been selected for GB U19 squad.

81 Trophy Controllers Report

Mr Day gave a verbal report, the following matters were noted:

- 81.1 Medals given to Bill Cooper and to Stuart Bonds.
- 81.2 Winter Competition – everything organized.
- 81.3 Long Plunge Trophy – letter gone to Joe Weston's son regarding Trophy, to date no reply been received.

82 Welfare Officers Report

Current vacancy. Any member interested in taking on this important position should contact the Secretary.

83 Volunteer Liaison/Club Liaison Reports

- 83.1 Funding your Club seminar cancelled, to be re-arranged.
- 83.2 North Yorkshire Inter Club Action Group – feeding into North Yorks SAG, working well together.

84 Regional Development Officers Report

Written report as distributed.

- 61.1 Yorkshire Coaches Conference went well, feedback good on pool session. Many coaches failed to attend on the day.
- 61.2 John Smeaton pool in Leeds, £100K received through CCDF to refurbish pool and set up a Regional Education Centre.

85 North Eastern Counties ASA Report

- 85.1 Mins of management meeting 5/7 – No.2.9.6.1 Misc investments – what does this include?
Child Protection Courses, Refunds to Swim 21 clubs, Grants to Yorkshire Swimming Association and Northumberland & Durham for training camps.
- 85.2 Minutes from Board of Management Meeting 6/9 and Minutes of Executive Meeting on 17/9 – no reports.

86 ASA North East Region Report

- 86.1 Minutes of shadow Board of Management on 5/7 – no questions.
- 86.2 Report from shadow Board of Management Meeting 6/9.
 - 86.2.1 need to consider impact on Yorkshire Swimming Association from Regionalisation.
 - 86.2.2 Development Programme is main element.
 - 86.2.3 Sub regions are Counties within the ASA North East Region.
 - 86.2.4 Liaison needed with Yorkshire Swimming Association & ASA North East Region to best fit A.S.A. plans for KPI's. A Working Group of Terry Wilkinson, Treasurer and Secretary to meet.
- 86.3 Inaugural meeting 1st October, all to attend, support for Don Lee as President needed from all members.

87 ASA Committee Report

Written report to be forwarded to members with the minutes.
Regions to have a workforce development strategy.
ASA is pilot for training/coaching and assessment/verification programmes.
ASA Masters – will in future have entry times.
Harold Fern Trophy awarded – with regret no female nominations were received for the Alf Turner Award.

88 Sports Aid Report

A verbal report was given.
Conditions have gone out, National decisions on previous nominations expected shortly.

89 Rule Changes

The Secretary to have a look at amendments, some will be necessary due to change from North Eastern Counties to North East Region.

90 Dinner

Lord Mayor now unable to attend, however the Deputy Mayor will attend instead.
The President asked for any member wishing to donate a Tombola prizes to bring, if possible, to the Winter Competition at Sheffield and after that by telephone contact (0113 2198535).

91 Water Polo Referee's Association Report

No report.

92 Any Other Relevant Business

- 92.1 It was confirmed that subject to delegates approving the Constitution, at the inaugural meeting, we would have three representatives on the ASA North East Region Board. Other members could be on the Board as four places were up for election at the meeting.

93 Date and Time of Next Meeting

Wednesday 16th November 2005, at South Leeds Stadium, 7.15pm.

The meeting closed at 9.00pm.