

# Yorkshire Swimming Association

## Minutes of the Executive Meeting held at The John Charles Centre for Sport at the South Leeds Stadium on Tuesday 13th June 2006 at 7.15 p.m.

### Present:

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

**Chairman:** Mr. D Lee.

**Honorary Secretary:** Mr. D Alexander.

**Honorary Treasurer:** Mr. M G Hill.

**Honorary Masters Committee Secretary:** Mrs. C McCabe.

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

**Executive:** Mr. A Donlan, Mrs. W Emmerson, Mr. J Hickey, Mr. S Johnson, Mrs. N Muir-Cochrane, Dr. R Muir-Cochrane, Mrs. S Prasad, Mr. H Rudd and Mr. A S Walker.

**ASA RDO:** Ms Sally Skipper

**Co-opted member:** Mr. K Brocklesby

The Chairman welcomed Mr. Brocklesby to his first meeting.

### 37 Apologies

Mr. P Boyd, Mr A Butler, Mr. W Cooper, Mr. W Crawford, Mr. S Greetham and Mr. T J Wilkinson.

### 38 Minutes of the Meeting held on 16th March 2006

The minutes were approved.

### 39 Matters Arising

Min 31. Mr. T Wilkinson had agreed to represent the Association on the South Yorkshire SAG, however, to date he has received no further information - Sally Skipper to follow up.

### 40 Correspondence/ Honorary Secretary's Report

40.1 Dennis Teale – updated on ESSA news, 2 swimmers have been selected to represent England (Katie Johnson and Joe Sowden).

40.2 International Schools Championships in Athens, 2 swimmers have been selected, Amy Spencer and Joe Sowden.

40.3 A.S.A. Aquaforce Volunteer recognition – Yorkshire Swimming Association have made a nomination in each of the 4 categories. Very limited response from any other body or club.

Nominations are:

40.3.1 Community Award – Bill Mosey Minsthorpe Marlins

40.3.2 National Award – Dorothy Rose

40.3.3 Outstanding Contribution Award – Leo Beatty

40.3.4 Club Award – 2 nominations

Janet Barraclough, nominated by Yorkshire Swimming Association and John Pickles, nominated by Skipton SC – following a vote the nomination went to John Pickles.

### 41 Honorary Treasurer's Report

41.1 The account is healthy, we have no debts and the deposit account remains untouched.

41.2 Affiliation fees – we are £300 down on last year's amount, despite gaining some new members from North and North East Lincolnshire. (£300 equates to approx. 3000 members)

41.3 Membership is declining, the Executive discussed various reasons, a trend being that grass roots swimming is perceived to be neglected.

Malcolm to pass on some membership statistics to Sally Skipper, to baseline an audit for school/club links.

41.4 Affiliation fees – proposal motioned to increase the affiliation fees – Executive agreed this motion.

The 2007 Fees will be: Affiliation Fee per Club; £6.00 (from £4.00) and the per capita charge; 15p per member (from 10p per member).

41.5 Following the decision of the Swimming Committee to increase the mileage allowance it was proposed that this be extended to cover all mileage claims as from 1<sup>ST</sup> October 2007.

This was agreed.

### 42 Diving Committee Report

No report.

### **43 Masters Committee Report**

Report as written.

43.1 Minutes of the meeting held on 2nd May 2006 – approved by Executive.

Of note were:

- Open Masters at Scarborough - GB and European records were broken.
- Regular training sessions to alter to a cluster approach, this may increase participation at these sessions.

### **44 Swimming Committee Report**

44.1 Minutes of 18th April 2006 distributed – Executive agreed them.

Points of note:

44.2 The Treasurer proposed that the mileage allowance be increased to 35p per mile as from 1<sup>ST</sup> October 2007. This for officials at the Championships and members attending the Committee meeting.

This was agreed.

44.3 Polo shirts – who chose the colour and were officials consulted? The Swimming Committee decided to move away from the usual white shirts in favour of Royal Blue, and as a representative body no consultation was deemed necessary.

44.4 Overseas training camp has been provisionally booked – a budget has yet to be agreed. The cost per swimmer is to be increased by £50 this year.

44.5 Coaches Conference – All speakers are arranged, Pool session Dave Evitts, Gym session – Barry Shillabeer, Lecture – Craig Nicholson and Lisa Dargavel.

44.6 Alan Day requested that Disability Swimming be on the agenda for the next meeting.

### **45 Championship Secretary Report**

Very little to report, Winter Competition entry forms are available on the website.

### **46 Open Water Report**

No report.

Saturday 15th July – ASA North East Region Open Water Championships at Wykeham Lakes, Scarborough.

### **47 Synchronised Swimming Committee Report**

No report.

### **48 Water Polo Committee Report**

Report as written.

48.1 Yorkshire Championships progressing well, finals to be held in September.

Ladies Competition only 1 entry.

48.2 A Development day at Wetherby on 4 June was held – no further details known to date.

Information on Swim21 for Water Polo still awaited.

### **49 Disability Co-Coordinator Report**

Early days – 1 approach so far from a club within Yorkshire area.

### **50 Trophy Controller Report**

No report.

Stuart Walker mentioned that he had the remaining medals from Masters Comp to pass to Alan.

### **51 Welfare Officer Report**

No report.

### **52 Volunteer Club Liaison Report**

The paper on Yorkshire Swimming Association Volunteer Awards being prepared by Terry Wilkinson was ongoing.

### **53 2006 Dinner**

Info produced, tickets with Malcolm.

A tombola will operate, any donations greatly appreciated.

Guests have been invited and after dinner speaker arranged.

## **54 RDO Report**

Ann Adams King has amended the ASA North East Region 3 year Plan to increase the Swim 21 accreditations. We need 116 accredited clubs by 2009.

The Yorkshire Water funding has sports match funding making a total of £40K for Learn to Swim.

## **55 Emergency Committee**

55.1 Resolution 6.2.1 – Executive approved

55.2 Resolution 6.2.2 – Executive approved

RDO post for Yorkshire – It had decided not to interview any of the applicants, job to be re-advertised as a full time position and not just for maternity leave.

## **56 ASA North East Region Report**

56.1 Management Board minutes of 11 April 2006, points of note:-

56.1.1 Newsletter gone out to clubs detailing info on Steve Parry's potential visits.

56.1.2 3 year plan completed – but some parts been amended once assessed and submitted.

56.1.3 Business plan needed.

56.2.1 Management Board minutes of 16 May 2006, points of note:-

56.2.2 RDO Diving – no further developments.

56.2.3 Handbook printed and being distributed.

56.2.4 ASA Law – Local Association's can no longer send delegates to Council meetings.

56.2.5 ASA NER Presidents protocol completed – Yorkshire Swimming Association should have a protocol, David to draft.

56.3 Election of Board representative for 3 year vacancy – leave to meeting on 12/9

56.4 Election of regional representatives to ASA NER Council meeting, Malcolm and Nuala selected.

56.5 Meeting with David Sparkes at Wetherby on 1 July – for information/attention

## **57 Sports Aid Report**

57.1 36 applications submitted, 29 accepted.

57.2 Lynne Baird was seeking swimmers for £1K grants award from sponsors.

Unlikely World Class Age Programme will be in place from September 2006, Barry Saunders will pull together some nominations.

## **58 Any Other Business**

58.1 Representatives from North and North East Lincolnshire, Ken Brocklesby has another interested party, name to be submitted to David.

58.2 IPC World Swimming Championships, Durban, South Africa – the Executive congratulate Sue Prasad on her nomination as a Technical Official.

58.3 Championship Secretary Election – was unfortunately missed off the agenda.

Nominations were asked for and the Executive duly elected David Dickenson.

58.4 ASA Law and the possible breaching of the "Swimming Age" rules. The Executive wanted it noting that they were concerned over this issue which seems to be escalating. It will be reported on nationally within Wavelength.

## **55 Date of next meeting**

Tuesday 12th September 2006, John Charles Centre for Sport at South Leeds Stadium.

The meeting closed at 8.33 p.m.