

Yorkshire Swimming Association

Minutes of the Executive Meeting held at South Leeds Stadium on Thursday 16th March 2006 at 7.15 p.m.

Present:

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

Honorary Secretary: Mr. D. Alexander. **Honorary Treasurer:** Mr. M. G. Hill.

Chairman: Mr. D. Lee.

Honorary Masters Committee Secretary: Mrs. C. McCabe.

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

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

Honorary Water Polo Committee Secretary: Mr. A. Butler.

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

Executive: Mr. P. Boyd, Mr. W. Crawford, Mr. A. Donlan, Mr. S. Greetham, 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.

Also in attendance: A.S.A. Regional Development Officer: Ms. S. Skipper.

15 Apologies

Mr. L. S. Beatty and Mr. D. Johnstone.

16 Minutes of the Statutory Meeting held on 7th January 2006

Ms Sally Skipper was in attendance, minutes to be amended to reflect this.

With the alteration made, the minutes were then approved.

17 Matters Arising

None.

18 Correspondence/ Honorary Secretary's Report

a. Federation of Yorkshire Sport – membership has been renewed.

b. The Honorary Secretary received 1 letter regarding a Championship matter. It was agreed that this be dealt with by the Swimming Committee. He had also received copies of mail sent to the Championships Secretary which were also Championships matters. It was agreed that these should also be dealt with by the Swimming Committee.

c. Skipton A.S.C. – Letter seeking a Centenary Certificate, the Executive approved this request.

d. City of York Council– correspondence regarding their Festival of Rivers 2006.

19 Honorary Treasurer's Report

The audited accounts have been received, the Executive agreed the accounts.

The training camp to Spain cost £6276.24 to the Association (within agreed budget) all responses received have been favourable.

20 Diving Committee Report

Report as written.

21 Masters Committee Report

Report as written.

Minutes of the meeting held on 24th January 2006 – approved by Executive.

2006.8 The Masters Championships at Scarborough 13th May – everything ready.

2006.9 Not dealt with yet by Committee.

22 Swimming Committee Report

a. Training Camp in Torremolinos was well received, plans are underway for next years camp.

b. Age Group Camp, Easter weekend, names of swimmers been finalised, coaching staff of Russ Barber, and Louise Graham with Ophelia Rix as Team Manager, cost budgeted at £700.

c. Meeting of Swimming Committee to be arranged soon to discuss Championship matters and also the details for the Winter Competition.

23 Championship Secretary Report

Various e-mails and letters have been received following gala's at Leeds, need to be dealt with at Swimming Committee meeting. All queries should be dealt with as soon as practical, e-mail is an ideal format to assure a quick response.

Problem regarding a Club's hats at Leeds meet, David to phone up and apologise before the gala at Sheffield on 18th March.

Swimming Committee needs to look at number of entries and events for gala's held at Leeds.

24 Open Water Report

Recognised as an Olympic event now.

5K event at the British Championships is over subscribed at Sheffield for 4TH April.

Rachel Jack, City of Leeds, had been on a training camp in Cyprus and would probably make European selection this year.

25 Synchronised Swimming Committee Report

City of Bradford Synchro club closing down by end of March 2006.

ASA North East Region assessment days – 96 swimmers were assessed, 52% pass rate.

Cost of assessment £5 per head, ensured the days were self-funded.

Swim 21 – nearly up and running, need to audit what level all clubs are at. Borough of Kirklees possible leader club, with rest of clubs feeding into Kirklees squads.

Grimsby Synchro Club has 22 members – not completing at our championships though.

26 Water Polo Committee Report

Currently 4 U16's, 4 U18's, 2 Mens and 2 Womens Teams entered in 2006 Championships, draw to take place shortly.

All clubs are asked to register officials correctly.

Referees course to be held at Harrogate during April/May. Course will be self-funded at £15 per candidate including exam fee.

Minutes of meeting held on 21st February – Executive approved.

27 Trophy Controller Report

No report.

28 Welfare Officer Report

No report.

29 Volunteer Club Liaison Report

ASA seeking volunteers who are under 25.

ASA launched "Aquaforce" Volunteer Recognition Scheme.

Terry to circulate details of Volunteer Recognition Scheme, all nominations to go to Secretary, County award will be a Certificate.

30 2006 Dinner

Flyers out, menu to be arranged.

31 Development Report

ASA North East Regional 3 year Operational Plan now agreed. Work driven by CSP Action Groups.

North Yorkshire and Humberside have CSP representatives, South and West Yorkshire have no representation to date.

Job description for SAG representatives is with the Secretary.

South Yorkshire – clubs to be written to and advert to go on website

West Yorkshire – Christine McCabe to ask at work if she can attend.

Humber Sports Partnership – Lindsay Heathfield may be leaving at end of March due to the ending of funding.

Ending the funding is seen as a backwards step, why only plan for 3 years. Mr Rudd wanted to record his personal thanks for all the work Lindsay has done – an excellent contribution. Humber Sports Partnership now have generic Sports Development Officers – they will provide some support for swimming. This may result in Lindsay leaving her position as ASA Regional Development Officer. The Association noted her post has been invaluable with so many benefits.

Swim 21 review – all clubs to be invited to an update evening.

Leeds City Council – ASA Regional Training Centre Co-Ordinator – job advert out in next few weeks.

32 ASA North East Region Report

Management Board minutes of 7 February 2006, points of note:-

27.4 Ann Adams-King – good presentation, learnt a lot

28.1 Advert placed for Business Manager, no cost to the Association.

29.1 RDO Diving – our representatives spoke against proposal due to funding issues, the Executive agreed their support for the representatives decision.

34.1 President's regalia, North East Counties logo will remain on medals.

37.2 Handbooks, due to time constraints a single Region Handbook will take too long to produce. Counties to retain their own handbooks at present.

The Executive agreed to a proposal to be submitted asking for more RDO provision in Yorkshire, the Association may be prepared to consider funding.

ASA North East Region will have to be self sufficient by 2009, some A.S.A. funding will remain for certain jobs such as RDO. The North East Region costs cover Regional Director and office costs.
The Association Management Board delegates will always take care to ensure safety and security of the Association clubs/members.

33 Amateur Swimming Association Committee Report

Swim 21 – submissions by 30/9/06 to be considered under old system.
General Championship Conditions – needed to be updated and not printed in the handbook.
ASA/GBDF to start discussions with a view to drawing up a memorandum of understanding.

34 Sports Aid Report

Info to be circulated once known. Awards have been agreed, notification going out soon.

35 Any Other Business

- a. Mrs. Muir-Cochrane asked why there had been no Any Other Business discussed at the Annual General Meeting. The Secretary pointed out that it was not included on the agenda as it is not included in rules.
- b. Trophies – David Dickenson bought a new Trophy for 9 Year Old 200 Backstroke.
- c. It was noted that 3 Diving Trophies stolen from Leeds – has YSA lost any Trophies??.
- d. The list of un-affiliated clubs will be shown on the ASA North East websites. A list of clubs suspended by the A.S.A. will be on their web site.

36 Date of next meeting

14th June 2006, South Leeds Stadium, to be confirmed.
At the request of the Honorary Treasurer this was changed to Tuesday 13th June and has been confirmed.

The meeting closed at 9.05 p.m.