

# Yorkshire Swimming Association

## Minutes of the Executive Meeting (as amended by the Executive) held in the Denison Suite at Aquatic Centre, John Charles Centre for Sport on Thursday 5th June 2008 at 7.15 p.m.

### Present:

**President:** Mr. J Hickey.

**Chairman:** Mr. D Lee.

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

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

**Honorary Diving Committee Secretary:** Mr. D Johnstone.

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

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

**Honorary Synchronised Swimming Committee Secretary:** Mr. W Cooper.

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

**Executive:** Mr. M Burgin, Mr. W Crawford, Mr. A Donlan, Mrs. N Muir-Cochrane, Dr. R Muir-Cochrane and Mr. H Rudd.

In attendance: **ASA North East Region RDO:** Miss V Norman.

Before the start of the meeting members stood in silent memory of Past President (2001) Mr. Sidney Johnson who passed away just after the last Executive Committee Meeting.

The Chairman welcomed Miss Vicky Norman to the meeting. Vicky had recently been appointed to the position of ASA North East Region Regional Development Officer.

In the absence of the Minute Secretary and with no offers from the meeting it was agreed that the Honorary Secretary take the minutes.

### 38 Apologies.

Apologies for absence were received from Mr. A Day, Mrs. S Prasad, Mr. A S Walker and Mr. T J Wilkinson.

### 39 Minutes of the Executive Committee Meeting held on 12th March 2008.

It was agreed that Min 18 (Min 5) be rescinded as it was not correct.

With that amendment the minutes were approved.

### 40 Matters Arising

The following matters arising were considered;

40.1 Min 18 (min 9.3); It was agreed that the word 'swimming' be inserted between 'Association' and 'Records' and now reads 'The Association Swimming Records'.

40.2 Min 36.1; It was agreed to delay the invitation to the ASA North East Region Regional Director until the Board of Management was in place.

### 41 Correspondence/ Honorary Secretary's Report

Mr. Alexander reported on relevant correspondence he had received

41.1 Letter from Morley A.S.C. Proposal that the name of Sidney Johnson be added to the Role of Honour. Several members pointed out that Past Presidents are acknowledge under that heading in the handbook and not on the Role of Honour. Agreed that the nomination be put to the Annual General Meeting as per the criteria.

41.2 Letter from Sheffield Maccabi S.C. Letter of resignation from the Association. Information passed to the ASA North East Region.

41.3 Letter from Harrogate District S.C. Request for financial support towards their Distance Meet. This was agreed that the sum of £250 be given.

41.4 ASA North East Region Diving Manager. Information regarding the North East Region Masters Diving Championships. It was agreed that Yorkshire Swimming Association medals be awarded to competitors from their affiliated clubs who are placed in medal positions.

41.5 David Watson. Advising that he was unable to attend the next ASA North East Region Board of Management Meeting. It was agreed that Dr. Muir-Cochrane attend as his substitute.

41.6 Letter from Mr. D Lee. Letter of resignation as ~~Executive Committee~~ Chairman was accepted. To take effect from the conclusion of the meeting. (Minute amended by the Executive meeting held in September)

### 42. Honorary Treasurer's Report

Mr. Hill reported that nothing much had changed since the last meeting and a loss on the year was likely.

42.1 Mr. Hill proposed that, subject to agreement at the Annual General Meeting, there would be no increase in the Affiliation Fee or the per capita Fee for 2009 and 2010. This was agreed.

42.2 Mr. Hill reported that the championship expenses were much higher than in previous years due to increased cost of catering and officials travel expenses. It was agreed that the cost of Individual

entries be increased to £4.00.

#### **43 Special General Meeting Report**

Noted that the name of Mr. A Donlan was missing from the list of apologies.

The Chairman allowed a paper from Mr. Donlan to be considered. Matters were discussed at length and it was agreed that;

- (a) The only Rules that will come into effect on the 1st September would be those required to set up the Management Board, and
- (b) The Emergency Committee plus Mr. Donlan and Mr. Saunders exchange views on Mr. Donlan's paper and then meet to finalize any tidying up of what was agreed at the Special General Meeting.

#### **44 Swimming Committee Report**

44.1 The minutes of the meeting held on the 8th April had not been received in time for members to consider.

Mr. Saunders gave a verbal report from the meeting and the following points were noted;

44.1.1 Trophies would no longer be presented at the Senior/Junior Swimming Championships.

44.1.2 A small group to meet to consider comments from coaches regarding the 2008 championships.

44.2 Details for the Coaches Conference were being finalized.

44.3 Swimming records criteria has been updated.

44.4 Accident Book. It was agreed that each discipline should have an Accident Book. As the Association has only one at present the Honorary Secretary to contact the A.S.A. to see if extra copies are available.

#### **44.6 Championship Secretary Report**

No report had been submitted.

#### **44.7 Open Water Report**

No report had been submitted.

#### **44.8 Championship Secretary**

Mr. D Dickenson was elected as the Championship Secretary.

#### **45 Synchronised Swimming Committee Report**

The written report was accepted.

#### **46 Water Polo Committee Report**

The written report was accepted.

Mr. Butler added that the letter to the Water Polo Clubs regarding the future format of the Championships had not yet been sent.

#### **47 Diving Committee Report**

The extensive written report was accepted.

#### **48 Masters Committee Report**

The written report was accepted. It was noted that not all members had received a copy.

Mrs. McCabe added that the 2008 Masters Championships had taken place with entries well up on previous years.

The date for the 2009 Championships would be confirmed at the next Committee Meeting.

The next Masters training session will take place on Sunday 13th July at the Aquatic Centre, John Charles Centre for Sport and would be short course.

#### **49 Disability Officer Report**

The written report was accepted. It was noted that some of the classifications in the report were not British Swimming ones.

#### **50 Welfare Officer Report**

No report had been submitted.

#### **51 Club Liaison/Volunteer Club Liaison Report**

Mr. Wilkinson had nothing to report.

#### **52 Trophy Controller Report**

No report had been submitted.

#### **53 ASA Board Report**

There were no matters arising from the minutes of the meeting held on the 8th February and the 25th April.

#### **54 ASA North East Region Report**

The following notes from the Board of Management meeting held on the 22nd April were noted;

54.1 West Yorkshire Sport have been granted funding of £2,000 to support the West Yorkshire Sports Action Group in the delivery of Regional KPI's based around Club Accreditation, school to club links

and Teacher/Coach Education.

- 54.2 Humber Sports Partnership and the Region have signed an agreement to support each other in the delivery of common KPI's around Club Accreditation, school to club links, Teacher/Coach Education and Volunteers Development.
- 54.3 Halifax S.C. are the first Synchronised Swimming Club in the Region to gain Swim 21 Accreditation at Teaching level.
- 54.4 The Everyday Swim pilot in Kirklees was terminated with effect from 9th April.
- 54.5 The Finance Manager reported that the Championship expenses had increased by around 60%.
- 54.6 Club Training Camps. The meeting agreed that a budget of £5,000 be allocated to the initiative for the year September 2008 to August 2009.
- 54.7 the asa Aquaforce Awards. There are 5 Categories and nominations to be made to the Regional Office no later than 1st July with the regional winners being submitted no later than the 1st August.
- 54.8 Noted that Fiona Blackstone and Leanne Parker have passed the International Judges School held in Paris.
- 54.9 Noted that James Kirton (City of Sheffield S.S.) has been selected in the G.B. team to compete at the Olympics.
- 54.10 Noted that in future years the Region will not produce a printed copy of their handbook. It will only be available from their web site.
- 54.11 It was agreed that at the Annual Council Meeting, Mr. B Saunders be nominated as our representative to the Board of Management.
- 54.12. Mr. Hill and Mrs. Muir-Cochrane were elected to represent the Association at the Annual Council meeting in September.

## **55 RDO Report**

Written report from Craig Nicholson. Noted that Vicky Norman will be involved with Swim 21 in the Region. Clubs have been notified of her details.

## **56 Sports Aid Report**

- 56.1 Noted that Lynne Baird has been promoted within Sports Aid to a National position.
- 56.2 Mr. Saunders was concerned that we were in danger of losing control on who was awarded grants. We should maintain our high standard of criteria for applications.

## **57 Any Other Business**

- 57.1 Members were informed that Derek Plowman was very ill.

## **58 Date of next meeting**

The date of the next meeting was confirmed as **Tuesday 9th September 2008**, in the Denison Suite, Aquatic Centre, John Charles Centre for Sport at 7.15 p.m.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.02 p.m.