

YORKSHIRE SWIMMING ASSOCIATION

President – Mrs Sue Prasad

Minutes of the Fifty-Sixth Meeting of the Management Board held on Wednesday 20th February 2019 in the Denison Suite at the Aquatics Centre, John Charles Centre for Sport, Leeds starting at 7.15 p.m.

Present: Terry Wilkinson (Chairman), David Alexander (Secretary), Jason Beaumont (Treasurer), Roger Perrell, Sue Prasad, Barry Saunders, Kevin Sissons, Stuart Walker, Rod Wardle & Gemma Wright.

Also in attendance (by invite and non voting);
Dan Ramm (Swim England Club Development Officer).

The Chairman welcomed Mr. Beaumont to his first meeting and opened the meeting.

599. Apologies
Apologies for absence were recorded in respect of Mary McClung.
600. Minutes
The minutes of the Fifty-Fifth Meeting held on the 19th January were presented and approved as a true record.
601. Matters Arising
The following matters arising from the minutes were discussed;
601.1 (min 591.1): The new Bank mandate has been completed and the account was up and running.
601.2 (min 591.2): Gerrards Swimwear have indicated that they will be attending the 2019 Championships and Winter Competition. They will not however be sponsoring or attending our swimming events after that.
602. Secretary's Report
Mr. Alexander reported on the following matters;
602.1 A request from Swim England North West for an increase in the amount we pay them towards hosting our Open Water Championships. This is to cover the introduction of chip timing and will cost an extra £250.00. This was agreed.
602.2 The Secretary circulated confirmation of room bookings at the John Charles Centre for Sport. These cover all known dates for Management Board and Technical Sub-Committee meetings.
602.3 The response to the clubs requesting an email address that would allow us to distribute minutes has been very poor. A reminder to go out with these minutes.
602.4 The Secretary has spoken to Gerrards Swimwear regarding their sponsorship for 2019. They have indicated that after this year they are no longer going to offer sponsorship. It was agreed that they would service the 2019 Winter Competition and also to continue to supply kits for our teams.
603. Treasurer's Report
603.1 Mr. Beaumont circulated a printed report covering the present account balances and also the income and expenditure payments.
603.2 Mr. Wilkinson asked if we can produce a policy on how we manage our finances. Mr. Beaumont agreed to work with Mr. Wilkinson on this matter.
The Chairman thanked Mr. Beaumont for his excellent report.
604. Technical Sub-Committee Reports
604.1 Swimming:
604.1.1 The first week-end of the Championships have been completed without any major problems
604.1.2 A policy needs to be produced to cover the swimmers who withdraw their entries on medical grounds.
604.1.3 Mr. Sissons asked what the conditions were regarding para swimmers awards. In the past we have been using the +1 system but this year it was pointed out that the conditions were that all swimmers would qualify for medals regardless of how many swimmers had entered.
604.2 Synchronised Swimming:
604.2.1 The minutes of the Synchronised Swimming Committee meeting held on the 15th January were presented to the meeting and the following items were considered;
604.2.2 It was agreed that we purchase a Trophy to be named 'The Bill Cooper Memorial Trophy'
604.2.3 T-Shirts and Caps to be ordered for the Development Day that is planned for the 29th September.

605. Swim England North East Region Report

605.1 The minutes of the Management Board meeting held on the 15th January were presented to the meeting and the following points were discussed;

605.1 (min 796.1): Incorporation. Mr. Saunders gave an update on the progress for the Region to become an Incorporated Company. It is planned that a S.G.M. would be called for late May/early June. Mr. Wilkinson saw no reason why, in the future, the Association could not follow the lead of the Region on this matter.

605.2 Mr. Ramm gave a verbal report to the meeting. With there been only a short time since the last Board meeting there was very little to report. A level 1 Coaching Course has been confirmed to take place in Scarborough in April. County Camps are in the process of being organised.

606. Any other relevant Business

606.1 The Secretary, once again, asked if we were going to produce a Handbook. It was agreed that we continue with this although the content would be reduced. It was suggested that the year is not shown.

606.2 Mr. Sissons noted that the Twitter/Facebook pages had not been updated recently. He agreed to work with the Webmaster to address this issue.

607. Date of next meeting

The date of the next, Fifty-Seventh, meeting was confirmed as Wednesday 5th June at 7.15 p.m.

The meeting to take place in the Denison Suite at the Aquatic Centre, John Charles Centre for Sport, Leeds.

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 8:28 p.m.