

SUSSEX COUNTY AMATEUR SWIMMING ASSOCIATION

MINUTES OF SWIMMING COMMITTEE MEETING held on Wednesday 4th February 2015 at 6.30pm at County Hall, Lewes

PRESENT: In the Chair Mr A Gimson (President), Mr P McCallum (Chairman), Mrs M Tuppen (Hon Secretary), Mrs D Pickering (Swimming Secretary), Mr B DeVal (Development Secretary), Mrs C Hobbs (Welfare Officer), and elected members Mr B Smith, Mr A Lobley

APOLOGIES: Mr M Savill (Treasurer), Mrs Pauline Draper (Disability), Mr P Blyth, Mr N Carrucan, , Mrs K Woolliscroft, Ms Charlotte Hunter

Item No.		Action
01/2015	MINUTES OF MEETING Version 2 of the minutes of the meeting held on 3 rd December 2014 were signed as correct by the President. Deedee told the meeting she had made an error and corrected this	
02/2015	MATTERS ARISING (Not covered by the Agenda) New ASA DVD will available after the referees meeting which Chris Hobbs would attend. ACM will be at Dorothy Stringer School with access to set up from 1.15pm and 3pm start. Instead of lunch tea will be provided by the Brighton ladies before the ACM. Anthony Gimson proposed that our entry fees are increased to £5 from 1 st April 2015 and relay teams to be increased to £10. This was agreed at the previous Swimming meeting but not reported as accepted. All agreed.	
03/2015	WINTER COMPETITION 2015 Provisional dates will be 25 th October and 1 st November. Andy Lobley to book Horsham Pool. Brian Smith told the meeting there is now no need to run 800 & 1500m events, but we must run a 400m event. It was agreed to make this Freestyle as the lower age groups cannot swim 400IM. Programmes to go out July/August	AL
04/2015	COUNTY CHAMPIONSHIPS/AGE GROUPS 2015 Long Distance entries close 127 th February and there will be no programmes to be printed. No charge to spectators. Only 12 and over can swim these events. For the championships we will be accepting splits this year with documentation verified. No masters splits will be accepted. We will have to change the conditions for next year. The joint 10/11 will have separate awards. First, second & third in the 10 yr olds will receive medals Coaches passes – maximum 3 per club. Brian DeVal drafting a note re coaches passes. Our sponsors, Airtech, will give small drawstring bags to all the swimmers for essentials to take on poolside. Large bags will have to be put in lockers. Clubs will be allocated a space on poolside based on their number of entries. 2 tables and 4 chairs for the medals and the bags, which will be done the first weekend.	BdeV

05/2015	RELAY GALA 2015 8 th March at Eastbourne. Margaret Tuppen told the meeting that she may have a trophy for top club	MT
06/2015	DEVELOPMENT GALAS 2015 Eastbourne Pool booked	
07/2015	COMPETITION CONDITIONS Deedee & Chris will have to tweak them after the championships	DP/CH
08/2015	SUSSEX SQUAD, INTER COUNTY AT SHEFFIELD & TRAINING Development squad: top 8 will be taken from FINA points. All training events are open to all swimmers. Juniors & Seniors can be training with their clubs in the lanes that the county book. Hotel in Rotherham for the Inter County at Sheffield has been booked.	
09/2015	VOLUNTEER CPD DAY 2015 All organised. Any applicants without a ASA registration number will be charged for the course(s) as they are not deemed registered members of their club. Deedee asked if she could book another Safeguarding course for the afternoon as the morning one is full. This was agreed.	DP
10/2015	BUDGET & DEVELOPMENT PLAN 2014/15 Budget is approved. Brian DeVal told the meeting that having booked K2 for the use of Sussex Clubs, Eastbourne SC had pulled out at the last moment for a 2 nd time. It would have cost the county money and prevented other swimmers from participating. Luckily another club took the lane. The question is do we ban Eastbourne from future participating or fine the club. It was agreed to exclude Eastbourne SC for 2 sessions. Brian DeVal to write to them. Chris Hobbs asked if all correspondence could also be sent to the club secretary, so that their committee also knew what was going on. Development training: it is proposed to have 2 sessions in half terms at Christ Hospital and one in a 50m pool. Item to be asked to put on next agenda: Provisional discussion on running a gal for the lesser ability swimmers.	
11/2015	DISABILITY SWIMMING As usual, please accept my apologies for the meeting on Wednesday. I do have a couple of questions regarding the budget: I notice in the minutes that the budget for Para swimming is £1200. On the plan that Brian has sent through it shows £400 for the four St Bedes training sessions. Can you let me know what the extra £800 is for? In the minutes it says 'Para swimming secretary to be told that we need to have a full Para swimming multi-classification event included in the counties for 2016'. Am I supposed to hear this from someone or just by reading the minutes? I am not sure what you will want me to do in order to action this, although I do fully endorse that it happens. If you do want me to do anything please can you let me know. The para swimming report is : 'Thirteen swimmers attended the St Bedes training session on 25 th January, which	

	was coached by Sharon Wheeler. The pool was reported to be very cold so I let Chris Hobbs know and after she made contact with the school, they said they will not make a charge for the session as they knew there was a problem with the heating. We have set the new dates for St Bedes for the coming year. Fabienne Andre competed at the Zonals last weekend, swimming for the first time in a competition in a 50m pool. It would be great if she could get more training in a 50m pool – if there are sessions available that she could access, she would be very grateful. I am not sure if there were other Sussex swimmers at the Zonals. Fabienne is due to compete in the International Para swimming competition in Glasgow in March.' Deedee to write to Pauline that the £1200 budget is incorrect as Brian DeVal had budgeted for £400 per training session. The £800 has now been taken out of the budget. Anthony Gimson asked if it was practical to include para swimming in the 50m training sessions we run at K2. If there are enough para swimmers for a lane then we can give them a chance to join in. The clubs will have to manage to look after the swimmers. The condition will be that there is appropriate management.	DP
12/2015	ANY OTHER BUSINESS Chris Hobbs said re licensing 4 meets – clubs need to be actively looking for people to take their timekeepers but must also have a J2S to run this. Chris is not happy with the licensing regulations at the moment. AG told her to bring it up at the next Management Meeting, for the county to write formally to the licensing committee. Andy Lobley said Atlantis had 4 invoices for pool hire and was told to send them to Mark Savill	CH

DATES OF NEXT MEETINGS:

1st Wednesday every other month from February 2015 – Brian DeVal to book room

The meeting closed at 8.58pm

Signed dated