

SUSSEX COUNTY AMATEUR SWIMMING ASSOCIATION

MINUTES OF ANNUAL COUNCIL MEETING held on Saturday, 25th June 2011 at Patcham Community Centre, Ladies Mile Road, Patcham, Brighton at 14.30hrs.

PRESENT: Mr Peter McCallum (Chairman) and members as per the attendance list.

APOLOGIES: From Past President's, namely R.C. Dunn, Jim Boniface, Gwen Smith, Brenda Deeley. From the Management Committee – Rod Miller (Open Water Sec), Roger Edmondson (Water Polo Sec). Club apologies are as noted on the attendance list.

Item No.		Action
1/2011	The Hon Secretary read the Notice Convening the Meeting.	
2/2011	THE MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL COUNCIL MEETING held on Saturday, 26 th June 2010, which had been circulated, were approved and signed as a correct record.	
3/2011	MATTERS ARISING There were no matters arising.	
4/2011	<p>THE CHAIRMAN PRESENTED THE ANNUAL REPORT for the year 2010/2011, which had been circulated. The Chairman went through the Report giving opportunity for Secretaries to comment on their section.</p> <p>Chairman's Report: Peter McCallum highlighted the fact that the Hon Secretary had now been in office for 25 years and in recognition of this Margaret was presented with a bouquet of flowers.</p> <p>Diving: David Rosen reported that it had been agreed to run the Plain Diving in July and the Championships in November. This would give divers a longer period to prepare for the County Championships. This was thought to be a good idea. He also reported that negotiations had been taking place regarding diving in Eastbourne and it was hoped that we might see something happening in the not too distant future. Finally he reported that one of the diving cups had not been returned and the person holding the trophy was now diving for a club outside of Sussex. David advised he would make a telephone call. It was agreed that if this was not successful an official letter should be sent requesting the return of the trophy. Rob Drage expressed thanks to David for all the effort he puts into running this discipline.</p> <p>Masters: It was suggested that the date of the next Championships should be put on to the National Calendar. The Masters Secretary stated that he hoped the programme for the Championships would be agreed. Anthony Gimson reported on recent successes by Master Swimmers from Sussex Martlets. 18 swimmers had participated. One European and two British records were achieved as well as many gold, silver and bronze medals.</p> <p>Mr Ray Barber expressed his opinion that minutes of sub-committees</p>	

	<p>should be published on the website. This request was noted. It was proposed by Mr B DeVal and seconded by Mrs D Pickering that the Annual Report be adopted. Agreed by Council.</p>	
5/2011	<p>THE HON TREASURER PRESENTED THE FINANCIAL REPORT, STATEMENT OF INCOME & EXPENDITURE FOR THE YEAR, which had been circulated. A copy of the Report and Accounts are attached to the minutes on file.</p> <p>The Treasurer stated that he had a full set of the accounts and balance sheet with him if anybody wished to peruse same after the meeting.</p> <p>He stated that it had been a good year with only a small surplus. We were not proposing to increase charges this financial year.</p> <p>It had been agreed with ASA S.E. Region to make a £3000 contribution towards the cost of the Sussex Aquatics Officer, payable in two instalments.</p> <p>Mr Ray Barber queried who had agreed to this expenditure as he had seen nothing in the minutes that had been published. The Treasurer and Secretary confirmed that it had been agreed by Management Committee and was noted in the minutes of one of the meetings.</p> <p>A vote of thanks was proposed and unanimously agreed, to Mr Stuart Rose our Qualified Accountant.</p> <p>There being no further questions it was proposed by Mr J Earwicker and seconded by Mr R Drage that the Report and Accounts be accepted. Agreed by Council.</p> <p>A vote of thanks was extended to the Treasurer for his excellent work during the year on the accounts.</p>	
6/2011	<p>ALTERATIONS TO SUSSEX COUNTY ASA RULES</p> <p>Page 16.Rule 12(e).Proposal:</p> <p>Line 4. After the wordsshall be and immediately before the word posted INSERT "sent by e-mail,"</p> <p>Proposed by Margaret Tuppen (Hon Secretary) Seconded by Peter McCallum (Chairman)</p> <p>The proposition was carried by Council.</p>	
7/3011	<p>PRESENTATION OF PRESIDENT'S PLATE</p> <p>Mrs Janice White said that it gave her much pleasure to present the President's Plate to Mrs Christine Hobbs in appreciation of her commitment and work for the county over the years. Chris accepted the Plate with much pleasure.</p>	
8/2011	<p>INSTALLATION OF PRESIDENT FOR 2011/2012</p> <p>The Chairman gave a resume of the swimming background of Mr Brian DeVal and with his club Brighton Dolphin SC and the County.</p>	

	<p>Mrs Janice White then duly installed Mr Brian DeVal of Brighton Dolphin SC as President. She congratulated him and wished him an enjoyable year in office.</p> <p>Brian thanked everybody for the honour extended to him and said that he hoped to visit as many clubs as possible with the County Roadshow. Brian then undertook his first official duty and presented a Past President's badge to Janice.</p>																													
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	<p>The Chairman gave a resume of the activities in swimming with club and county of the person nominated for the position of Vice-President, namely Mrs Glenise Buck of Mid-Sussex Marlins SC. The nomination was confirmed and Glenise accepted with thanks.</p>																													
10/2011	<p>ELECTION OF OFFICERS AND OFFICE HOLDERS 2010/11</p> <p>It was proposed by Mr R Drage and seconded by Mrs J White, that the following be elected en-block. Carried by Council.</p> <table> <tr> <td>Chairman</td> <td>Mr Peter M,Callum</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Hon Secretary/Data Controller</td> <td>Mrs Margaret Tuppen</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Hon Treasurer</td> <td>Mr Michael Elliott</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Development Hon Secretary</td> <td>Mr Brian DeVal</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Diving Hon Secretary</td> <td>Mr David Rosen</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Masters Swimming Hon Secretary</td> <td>Mr Mark Savill</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Swimming Hon Secretary</td> <td>Mrs Deedee Pickering</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Open Water Swimming Hon Secretary</td> <td>Vacant</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Synchro Hon Secretary</td> <td>Vacant</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Water Polo Hon Secretary</td> <td>Dr Roger Edmondson</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Welfare & Child Protection Officer</td> <td>Mrs Christine Hobbs</td> </tr> </table> <p>Non Management:</p> <table> <tr> <td>Disability Hon Secretary</td> <td>Mrs Pauline Draper</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Officials Examination Hon Secretary</td> <td>Mrs Christine Hobbs</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Trophy Hon Secretary</td> <td>No nomination</td> </tr> </table>	Chairman	Mr Peter M,Callum	Hon Secretary/Data Controller	Mrs Margaret Tuppen	Hon Treasurer	Mr Michael Elliott	Development Hon Secretary	Mr Brian DeVal	Diving Hon Secretary	Mr David Rosen	Masters Swimming Hon Secretary	Mr Mark Savill	Swimming Hon Secretary	Mrs Deedee Pickering	Open Water Swimming Hon Secretary	Vacant	Synchro Hon Secretary	Vacant	Water Polo Hon Secretary	Dr Roger Edmondson	Welfare & Child Protection Officer	Mrs Christine Hobbs	Disability Hon Secretary	Mrs Pauline Draper	Officials Examination Hon Secretary	Mrs Christine Hobbs	Trophy Hon Secretary	No nomination	
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	<p>The following members were elected having been proposed and seconded.</p> <p>Management Committee: Mrs Elisabeth Hartley, Mr Jim Boniface, Mr Andrew Dunlop, Mr Alan Putland.</p> <p>Swimming Committee: Mrs Elisabeth Hartley, Mrs Christine Hobbs, Mr Andrew Loble, Mr Mark Savill, Mr Brian Smith.</p> <p>Because there was an equal number of votes for the fourth member it was decided to elect both persons.</p>																													
12/2010	APPOINTMENT OF QUALIFIED ACCOUNTANT																													
	<p>It was proposed by Michael Elliott and seconded by John Ottaway that Mr Stuart Rose be appointed as our Qualified Accountant. The proposition was unanimously agreed. Again thanks were expressed to Mr Rose.</p>																													

13/2011	ELECTION OF HON LIFE MEMBERS	
	The Hon Secretary reported that she had received two nominations, namely Mr David Rosen who had been responsible for keeping Diving active in the County and was President in 1989 and Mr George Eley who was President in 1981. Both were duly elected and extended their thanks to the County.	
14.2011	ANY OTHER BUSINESS	
14.1	<p>Anthony Gimson had requested to speak regarding Officials and Licensing procedure.</p> <p>Anthony addressed the meeting and said that he felt the current procedure was over the top, excessive and cumbersome and it might not be in the best interests of the sport. If his views were held by others perhaps we could ask representatives on SE Region and National Committees to ask if it was possible to streamline the procedure.</p> <p>Rob Drage explained the reasons given by British Swimming for the licensing procedure. However, Chris Hobbs agreed to set up a meeting between Rob Drage, Ray Barber and herself to produce a letter that could be sent to the appropriate person.</p>	
14.2	<p>Mr Derek Fowlie outlined the thoughts and proposals he had made in a paper circulated to club secretaries and at this meeting regarding the County Age Groups and County Championships. Mr Fowlie had been a member of the original group set up to review the County Championships and Age Group events, held earlier in the year, in the light of criticism that had been received following the events. Also included in their remit was the Development Galas. A copy of Mr Fowlie's paper is on file with the minutes.</p> <p>There was a long period of discussion with many of the clubs present giving their views. The discussion covered a review of entry times and programme, using only times achieved in licensed meets for entry times, clarification of the points system and review of publication of results etc. The publication of correct information with the entry pack should be closely checked to ensure that it was not found necessary to change conditions at a later date.</p> <p>A suggestion in the paper that the County could purchase, say two starter units, that could be loaned out to clubs to assist them to run Level 4 galas was not felt to be a practical suggestion because of storage problems etc. It was suggested that clubs could purchase their own equipment as had been the case with at least two clubs, or approach the pool operator to purchase the equipment.</p> <p>It was stated that the publishing date for the programme and times for the Development Galas and Championships and Age Groups was the 31st July and the remainder of the information by the 1st September.</p> <p>Obviously these minutes do not cover the whole content of Mr Fowlie's paper but everybody who attended the meeting should have a copy of the paper circulated and also a document circulated at the meeting by Brian DeVal..</p> <p>The Chairman closed the discussion by thanking Mr Fowlie and all</p>	

	those who had put forward their views, which he felt sure would be of assistance to the two Delivery Groups.	
	There being no further business the meeting closed with a vote of thanks to the chair at 16.40hrs.	

Signed Chairman dated2012

All those present were invited to stay for light refreshments provided by Brighton Dolphin SC who were thanked by Mr John Earwicker.

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