

SUSSEX COUNTY AMATEUR SWIMMING ASSOCIATION

MINUTES OF MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING

held on Wednesday, 4th March 2009 at 18.45hrs in the Committee Room, County Hall, Lewes.

PRESENT: Mr P McCallum(Chairman), Mr R Barber(President), Mrs S Paice(Vice President/Welfare & Child Protection), Mrs M Tuppen (Secretary), Mr M Elliott (Treasurer), Mr B DeVal (Development Officer), Mr D Rosen (Diving Secretary), Mrs D Pickering (Swimming Secretary), Mr R Miller (Open Water Secretary), Mrs K Rolles (Water Polo Secretary) and elected members Mrs E Hartley, Mr J Boniface and Mr A Putland.
Also in attendance the Regional Director, Eli Karlicka-Cook.

APOLOGIES: Mrs C Hobbs) Natalie Cunningham (RDO SE Region) and Lyndsey Hollands (Sussex Swimming Development Officer)

The Chairman opened the meeting by welcoming the Regional Director, Eli Karlicka-Cook.

Item No.		Action
66/2009	MINUTES OF MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE held on the 21 st January 2009 were confirmed and signed as a correct record.	
67/2009	MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES	
61.1	Sheila Paice confirmed that the Dinner would be on the 31 st October 2009.	
64/2009	Diving Budget. David Rosen was not happy with the statement that he was “adamant”.	
68/2009	REGIONAL DIRECTOR, ELI KARLICKA-COOK	
	<p>The Regional Director addressed the meeting, stating initially that she was very happy to have been able to attend this meeting and went on to speak on the current reconstruction of the ASA, covering the following.</p> <p>The ASA had been in discussion with the Government, Health and other departments and had decided to work with the government to help to increase the number of people being active.</p> <p>Twelve million pounds had been given to the ASA to work with the government and to pay for 49 County Swimming Coordinators.</p> <p>The positions of RDO’s, the County Swimming Development Officer and some other officers no longer existed.. The Region will have a Senior County Swimming Co-ordinator who will be allocated a county and will also be responsible for 6 County Swimming Co-ordinators. The Region will have no direct line management of this structure.</p> <p>It will be necessary to identify the work that Lyndsey Hollands has undertaken so that we know how much of it we will need to cover under the new set up.</p> <p>Swim 21 will be covered by the County Swimming Co-ordinator.</p> <p>The Regional Director where possible answered many questions put to her by members of the committee.</p> <p>Item 9 on the Agenda – SE Reports was incorporated at this point.</p> <p>Eli Karlicka-Cook reported:</p> <p>Swim 21 in the Region was progressing extremely well. Twelve clubs from across the Region were going to the National panel..</p> <p>Regional Dinner: There would not be a Dinner this year but she</p>	

	<p>understood that awards would be present at the ACM. The Chairman thanked Eli Karlicka-Cook for her presentation and for answering the many questions raised.</p>	
69/2009	FINANCE	
	<p>The Treasurer had circulated a Statement of Accounts from 1st April to 28th February, which included budget figures. He stated that it was not his intention to speak on the accounts at this meeting. However, he did say that after a slight amendment to the budget figures and because of entry fees it would appear that we would finish the year with a surplus. The Treasurer then reported that he needed to re-invest the sum of £10,959.94 for a further six months and had been offered 2.75% interest. It was proposed, seconded and unanimously agreed that the Treasurer should go ahead and re-invest the amount at the rate quoted. All present were reminded by Michael that the year end was fast approaching and outstanding accounts to the 31st March should be submitted to him as quickly as possible.</p>	
70/2009	DEVELOPMENT	
	<p>Brian DeVal reported a successful Volunteers day at Brighton University with 66 people from various clubs attending. All accounts had not yet been received. The Treasurer stated that he needed to receive any cheques held by Lyndsey before the end of the year. Brian would speak to her. Brian then displayed on screen the new County Website which he and Peter Morris had been working on. He went through the website in detail and it was well received. Brian stated that he has sent an e-mail to all the committee with a link to this new website and said he had also sent a feedback form for comments or any errors noticed to be returned as soon as possible as he hoped the site would go live the following week. Brian extended a vote of thanks to Peter Morris who had done such a great deal of work on the site and asked the President to write a letter of thanks. It was agreed to purchase six bottles of wine to be given to Peter. The Hon Secretary also extended thanks to Brian for the work that he had put in on the new site., Brian circulated a paper on “Engaging the Sussex swimming community”. Initially three items had been identified as a starting point ie. a) County Dinner b) Annual and Mid-term Council Meetings and c) Trophy and Award Presentations. It was agreed that a small working group be formed to report as soon as possible on all the opportunities for re-engagement. The following agreed to be part of the working group: Peter McCallum, Sheila Paice, Deedee Pickering and Brian DeVal. Finally, Brian DeVal reported on an ongoing consultation regarding a new pool in the Hastings area, They were currently looking at an eight land 25m pool but it had been suggested that a 50m pool be built with other sporting facilities. A question had been asked as to whether they could be guaranteed national or regional events but obviously this was something that could not be given at this time,</p>	<p>BD</p> <p>RB</p>
71/2009	CORRESPONDENCE	

71.1	From ASA re “Restructure and Development!. Circulated.	
71.2	E News from Sussex County Sports Partnership. Circulated	
71.3	ASA SE Region Newsletter – Special Edition. Circulated	
71.4	From Anthony Gimson re Masters Championships – Circulated. It was felt that we should accept the offer from Burgess Hill & Haywards Heath SC to organise the Masters Championships and to this end they had made one or two suggestions on the programme. However, it was agreed that there should be a meeting of the Masters Committee with the team from Burgess Hill & Haywards Heath SC to discuss and deal with any likely problems that might arise and to confirm the programme. Hon Secretary to offer either the 30 th March or 6 th April for the meeting. Upon hearing which date suited B/Hill & H/Heath a notice and agenda would be circulated to the Masters Committee and the room would be booked at Ovingdean.	MT
72/2009	SUB COMMITTEES MINUTES/REPORTS/MATTERS ARISING	
72.1.	Swimming Committee (04.02.09) The minutes which had been circulated were noted. Deedee Pickering reported that the second full weekend of counties was the coming weekend. We had sufficient officials for the weekend and there were a number of people requiring mentoring and timekeepers requiring examination.	
72.2.	Masters Committee (11.02.09) The minutes which had been circulated were noted. As yet there had been no volunteer to take on the Secretary’s position. See correspondence regarding Masters Championships.	
72.3	Water Polo Katrina Rolles reported: A number of clubs in the Hastings area had had the benefit of sessions with the Italian Coach Alberto. Feedback had been excellent. The 2008 Senior Knock Out Competition had been won by Brighton SC. The Junior Under 19 tournament in 2008 had not taken place. Eastbourne College were looking for a coach. It was not yet known whether Hailsham would be entering the League this year.	
72.4	Open Water Rod Miller circulated a report to the meeting which is attached to the minutes on file. The Sussex Open Water Championships were to take place on the 25 th July. The ASA have introduced Open Water into the National Bagcats and Youth Championships to be held in Sheffield this year. The event will take place at Rother Valley Country Park. Distances will range from 500m for 10 year olds to 10 km for the Open event.	
72.5.	Diving David Rosen reported: Crawley Diving Club entered two divers into a Regional Competition. The dates for Championships and Competitions, required by Brian DeVal would be considered at the next Diving Committee.	
73/2009	WELFARE & CHILD PROTECTOION	
	Hon Treasurer said that he was awaiting the invoice for the Course held recently. Sheila Paice stated that all clubs attending would receive £15 each providing they are swim 21 accredited or working towards sane,	MT
74/2009	ANY OTHER BUSINESS	
74.1	County Dinner: Sheila Paice reported that she had a booking at Effingham	

	House for the 31 st October. The contract had not yet been signed. She advised that Atlantis were giving their support. The cost of the meal had been quoted at £34 per head. Atlantis to send deposit. Sheila was advised to do a complete costing of the event before setting the price. Atlantis were also assisting with the arrangements for the ACM in June and hoped to get the use of Council offices.	
74.2	Regional Director reported that the region were currently trying to organise a Regional Development Conference and ACM, as last year, possibly taking place at Crawley.. Further information will be published when available. Awards will be given at ACM. A Handbook is to be produced as soon as possible and thereafter yearly.	
74.3	Hon Secretary reported that she was currently trying to book further training dates at K2 for the squads. K2 would not take bookings as yet and she was awaiting further information. We were also trying to book a Camp at Crystal Palace in May. Again she was waiting for information from Crystal Palace.	
74.4	Rod Miller reported that there will be qualifying standards for the Sussex Open Water event	
74.5`	Alan Putland reported that Eastbourne were running a Special Training Day to which two Olympic swimmers had been invited. This would be held on the 5 th April. Members of the committee were welcome to attend. The club had applied for and received a grant of £1000 towards this project.	
	There being no further business the meeting closed with a vote of thanks to the chair and to Brian for the refreshments, at 21.06hrs.	

SignedChairman **dated**