

NORFOLK COUNTY ASA
Executive Committee Meeting –Tuesday 6th June 2017 – Hewett Academy

PRESENT: G Applin (Officials Liason), K Belton, (Treasurer), Mrs J Blackwell (UEA City of Norwich Swimming Club), C Galer (Past President), P Kendall (Open Water), A Lelean (Website), Mrs S Lelean (Masters), C Maloney (Norwich Swan), A Moore (Disability), D Peck (Development), Mrs C Peters, A.Smith (Officials Exams), Mrs T Spinner (Asst. Secretary), Mrs M Tallowin (Synchronised Swimming), Mrs J Thompson (President), Mrs N Warnes (West Norfolk Swimming Club), B White (West Norfolk Swimming Club), Mrs K Woodhouse (Norwich Swan).

20. APOLOGIES Mrs J Banham (President Elect), Mrs D Barratt, R Barratt, E Bowen, J Digby (County Coach), Mrs C Fasey, Mrs J Grimes, Mrs D McRoberts (Secretary), S Murray, J Peggall (Facilities), Mrs C Peters (UEA City of Norwich SC Mrs C Rose.), K Rumsey (Chairman)

21. MINUTES OF EXECUTIVE MEETING HELD ON 1st MARCH 2017

Minutes were agreed as a true record.

22. MATTERS ARISING

It was noted that J Peggall had not been invited to meetings – D McRoberts to check distribution list. Previous minutes listed R Hutchinson as pending final assessment - noted that Final Referee Assessment had been passed.

23. CORRESPONDENCE

None formally, though it was recorded that John Swift, President in 1972, had passed in May and Funeral was taking place on 7th June at 9.45, Earlham Crematorium.

24. TREASURER'S REPORT

The accounts as at 31 May showed actual income of £37,876.91 and expenditure of £34,330.61 giving a surplus of £3,546.30 on the year to date. Income down vs budget due to changes to County Challenge and Warwick Thompson Meet, the combined entries for which were significantly down against last year. Totals did not yet include Theford pool hire which was expected to come in at around £12k. This will leave a deficit of just under £12k against the year which it is hoped will be partially offset by door and merchandise income.

25. CURRENT SWIMMERS' ACHIEVEMENTS

City of Norwich – Suzanne Warren – S4 British Record for 50Fr (57.75) and 100Ba (2.09.32) both gained at UEA CONSC Easter Meet. City of Norwich – Jordan Catchpole – S14 British Record for 50Ba (29.80) and 100Ba (1.02.86) both gained at Sheffield No Frills.

26. MINUTES OF COMPETITIONS SUB COMMITTEE – 6th JUNE 2017

Minutes noted. NJL AGM dates and venues agree. Query regarding 2 clubs merging to enter – C Galer highlighted concerns that this be done correctly to avoid issues. EB to send draft of notes and rules asap to ensure all clubs are compliant. Hunstanton and Harleston to confirm if considering entry ASAP.

27. REPORTS

Norfolk Junior League. None.

Facilities. J Peggall to be included in distribution. A Smith raised concern re 2 pools closing in Fakenham and letter in press. Nothing being done by Norfolk ASA. ASA have facilities team and facilities manager attending ASA Board Meeting – may be worth raising. After discussion it was agreed that P Kendall would work with J Blackwell to draft a letter to the press/Active Norfolk/ASA East outlining need to promote sport and community facilities. T Spinner to provide contact details.

Officials Examinations. Congratulations to Rachael Hutchinson, UEA City of Norwich Swimming Club, who passed final assessment for Referee. Since the last meeting 5 candidates have completed assessment for JL1, 4

candidates for JL2 and 2 candidates for JL2S. Timekeeper course took place in Thetford in May, next course will be JL1 in Thetford on 3rd September with Nifty 50s Gala.

Officials Liaison. Concern raised re County Challenge and Warwick Thompson – hope that free lunch and publication of timings (short sessions) may encourage more to attend.

Masters. Norfolk County Masters held 13th May – once again very successful. Overall numbers down on last year, but still profitable. Again short on officials, thanks noted to those who helped out. Again there were 2 British Records broken on the day. Masters Open Water development day on 8th July at Fritton - £25 for day. Programme includes speakers. Looking forward to Masters World Champs in Budapest in August.

Synchro. Latest 3 months included ungraded gala for younger swimmers, and a Gala in Nottingham in May. Assessments taken in mid-May – 8 girls attended and all passed, as well as 2 x 9year olds who passed their Grade 1. Several swimmers attended the 12/u ER development day. Two new L1 Synchro judges, and 2 new L1 synchro coaches – thanks noted to NCASA for funding support. All coaching and judging regularly.

Water Polo. Nothing to report.

Open Water. East Region have asked Clubs to consider proposal for Open Water Relay – 4 x 500m – M/F mixed. Need to know county appetite and whether to enter Club or County team. Feedback to P Kendall by January. New Swim England Award scheme incentive communicated – national award scheme with series of tasks that starts in the pool and goes on to Open Water. Details to be communicated. Noted that 2 new OW officials have completed theory and have theory to progress. Open Water development camp taking place in June.

Disability Swimming. No Committee Meeting. Noted that insurance cover had been confirmed regarding issue on eligibility of ASA non-members. All covered.

Records. No report.

Trophies: No report.

County Website: Swimability Gala added, team list for county selections published. All minutes up to date.

County Development. Discussion re conference – K Belton made it very clear that conference would not go ahead unless supported. B White (W Norfolk) emphasised need for Conference and wanted all clubs to get on board – only 1 day per year. Asked for visibility of 3 year rolling development plan. K Belton proposed cancelling conference. T Spinner confirmed again that UEA City of Norwich would run a gala on the weekend of the conference to support needs of swimmers, and due to lack of compromise from Development Committee the Club would publicise the conference but felt it was unlikely parents/swimmers would attend. Confirmation to proceed with conference proposed and seconded by W Norfolk and Norwich Swan. A Smith raised need to switch around the officials elements to make it more appealing for attendees.

East Region. Notification of incorporation and future governance of East Region – Directors financial responsibility etc. ER supported proposal to be co-guarantors for charitable status. Swim England branding also communicated. Diversity mentioned – by 6th September 2017 it is expected that 1/3 of the Board will represent gender diversity.

East Region Competitive Swimming. Nothing to report. No meeting held.

Child Protection & Welfare. Nothing to report.

Press & PR. Nothing to report.

County Volunteer Co-ordinator. Nothing to report

28. **ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

None.

The next meeting of the Norfolk County ASA Executive will take place on **Wednesday 6th September 2017.**