

Northamptonshire Amateur Swimming Association

(Affiliated to Swim England East Midlands Region)

Tuesday 19th February - Moulton

Present

C Brown, M Richmond, I Manning, J Marshall, B Collis.

1. Apologies

T Bream.

2. Minutes of last Meeting

Approved.

3. Matters Outstanding from last Meeting

- Item 3 <u>Backstroke Wedges</u>: Following all the toing & froing to Corby pool with sample wedges and tape measures, TB was finally happy with the adjustments made by HS Sports Ltd and NASA purchase 8 no. wedges and 8 no. bags for £2900 inc VAT & delivery. TB also obtained funding from SE EMR of £500 towards the cost. IM remarked that, despite TB sending out a 'How to install & un-install' video to all Officials, there were still a few problems on the day.
 - <u>NASA Trophies:</u> In TB's absence The sterling trophies were not handed out at 2019 CC's and had been replaced with new shields. There are some sterling trophies still to be valued, however, TB had managed to negotiate an exceptional Insurance renewal price of £586 based on the addition of the wedges and the new radios as well as the recent trophy revaluation. Future of sterling trophies deferred.
 - County Records: Following the change in age groups for the relays at CC's it was agreed that Relay records would be updated to include all the new relays (excl Challenge relays) swum at the 2019 CC's and the fastest time recorded at the 2019 CC's be set as the 'Standard time' for the new relays. It was further agreed that all NASA Team relay records would be re-classified as 'Open' and any current records set as the 'Standard time'. It was also agreed that records could only be claimed if swam at a licenced event. JM will update the records, NASA website and Claim form accordingly.

4. 2019 NASA Funding Annual Review

- <u>Safeguarding:</u> Following a brief discussion it was agreed that the funding should remain at £16.79 for Renewals & £25.00 for New volunteers/employees. It was also agreed that the '6 months service period' be removed from the T&C's. A question was raised about the validity of Safeguarding certificates issued by bodies previously recognised by the ASA and the latest SWIMMARK Safeguarding policy. BC will check this out at next meeting. MR to email copy to BC.
- <u>Grant Aid:</u> It was agreed that the 2018 funding rates would remain unchanged for 2019. It was also agreed that the minimum service periods would be amended to L1/Assistant 3 months, L2/Coach 6 months & Snr 9 months. MR to retype.

5. Membership Data/SE Affiliation Fees (Oct-Dec)

MR advised that there was a possible issue with the membership data supplied by SE due to the fact that NASA did not charge any fees for members joining in October – December. MR was corresponding with SE Membership to try to find a solution. If no solution can be found then Council will need to decide on whether Rule 12 (b) will be changed to 'Number of members to be taken at 30th September....' or whether we also charge Affiliation fee for members joining between October and December so that they show up on 'our account. MR to bring to Council meeting if not resolved.

6. 2019 County Pathway Update

MR advised that the Parents Workshop, presented by NASA's 2019 Head Coach – Andy Sharp, had taken place on 9th February at Corby and had attracted a few more than in 2018. It was agreed that for 2020 the Workshop would be opened to ALL parents/guardians as the presentation was not Camp specific. To date, 2 applications for the Skills Coach roles & 1 application for the ATM role had been received – closing date was yesterday. MR advised that at the Head Coaches Training Day, it had been suggested that the counties could engage some of their older international/national swimmers to assist with the delivery of the programme. MR advised that the Swimmer Selection spread-sheet had been completed and sent to the Head Coach. SE EMR had advised that they will send out the selection letters for us again. MR & AS to meet to discuss dates and final selections.

7. 2019 County Championships – observations to note.

IM remarked that overall 'They went fairly well'. The pool was OK in general, event entries were down on 2018, spectator entry on 2nd weekend was down, and programme sales did not breakeven. Going forward – look at cost of providing re-useable drinks bottles for officials, look at putting programme online so can be downloaded and printed or just viewed by spectators, look at cost of bulk buying medals with no 'date' on ribbons. 2 para European & GB records were broken. The additional relays generated more interest from the clubs, but still not all clubs entering teams.

8. Constitution Amendments - M Hemmings 10/10/18

- 1. Clarify that 'Voting Rights' apply to ALL (ACM, Ordinary & Special) meetings.

 The Executive propose that the heading of Rule 10 be amended from 'COUNCIL' to 'COUNCIL AT ORDINARY,

 SPECIAL & ACM' and that the heading of Rule 14(c) be amended from 'SPECIAL MEETINGS' to 'SPECIAL

 COUNCIL MEETINGS'
- 2. Allow adoption of Rule Changes at a Special Meeting
 The Executive propose that Rule 32 be amended from 'Adoption of laws may be made only at ACM subject to the rules relating to notices of motion for and calling of meetings of Council.' to 'Adoption of laws may be made only at an ACM or a Special Meeting (Rule 14(c)) subject to the rules relating to notices of motion for and calling of those meetings.'

9. Council Meeting Agenda items

Executive meeting summary report 2019 CC's Constitution Amendments Master's Rep.

10. AOB

- 1. Jim Peto resigned as Master's Representative MR read out his e-mail.
- 2. 2019 Meeting Dates: EXEC 19/2, 21/5, 17/9, 29/10. CB & IM double booked. MR to re-organise. COUNCIL 20/3, 19/6, 9/10 ACM 27/11
- 3. MR announced that due to personal reasons she will be stepping down from all roles (excl Treasurer) at the ACM.

Meeting finished 9.45pm.

Date of next meeting - TBA. (Should be 21/5/19 – see above)