



MINUTES

Disability Swimming Herts County Development Meeting

Tuesday, 21st February, 2012
10:30pm
Novotel, Stevenage

Present:

Ian Mackenzie
Sheila Mackenzie
Grant Chivers
Jackie Harvey
Janet Warrington
Carl Cooper
Derek Milton
Ros Cramp
Leanne Brace

Apologies:

Neil Ward
Liz Christian
Susie Williams
Sandra Hagley-King

Item		Action
1.0	Minutes of the last meeting were agreed as true and correct.	
2.0	Herts Development Disability Day - 18th February, 2012 The forum reviewed Saturday's Development Day. Firstly, it was recognised as a great success, calm, controlled and a good day. There was positive feedback received from swimmers, parents, teachers and coaches.	
2.1	<u>CPD's</u> In general it was felt the CPD's ran very smoothly and there were no hitches, however, there was a problem setting up the equipment. There was plenty of time and the workshops ran to time. It was noted that the CPD points can be carried over for the youngsters who attended who need to do their UKCC L1 in the future. Need to register KHK, HW, GH and AJ on to the course. There was someone on the course who was a Secretary of a club and who had no experience of coaching which was	LB

	obvious when trying to organise a session plan. Guidelines need to be met, However, the youngsters proved that you don't necessarily need UKCC L1 and L2 but you do need experience of coaching. There was a lengthy discuss about the link between the two CPD's and the practical session. It was felt that the Behaviour workshop didn't quite follow on. The size of the groups, the ratio of Physical, VI, Hearing and LD was discussed and it was felt that we need to know the impairment of the swimmer in advance in order to fully sort into groups. JH explained that swimmers left it to the last minute to book on the course. CC explained that the information given on the sheet was ambiguous also. It was agreed that a Questionnaire feedback form should be sent out to all learners who attended the CPD to find out how they felt the day went. Discussion about other county development days took place, where they feed the day through the School Games. This year our day clashed with a camp in Manchester which meant that the physically disabled would have attended the camp in preference. School Games event is on 28th June. CC can't attend so JW will TID. Records need to be taken at this event and these swimmers need to then receive a personal invitation next year. Need to consider whether we should change the date next year and avoid half-term CC said we really need a ratio of: 4 – Physical 2 – Visual 1 – Hearing 1 – Learning This ratio is for school games and was given as an example of what we are aiming for. CC said we would struggle to get these ratios for a Development Day, however we need to try to change the emphasis from learning and associated impairments to more physical / sensory if we can. CC to send a copy of the flyer used at other days which may allow us to group the swimmers faster and allow us to accommodate more levels of ability.	JH/LB JW ALL CC
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2.2	RC said if we stipulate this schools will not send any. It was agreed that we need to Target our marketing more and possibly send out personal invites rather than a blanket invite. Discussion to be continued after we have received the feedback from learners. Cambridge have a Disability Development Day aimed at School Teachers and TA's during the day on Monday 23rd April. JW expressed an interest to attend and observe. <u>Motivation Talk – Dervis</u> Unanimous agreement that the motivational talk was excellent. Coaches, Teachers, Parents and the swimmers all really enjoyed listening to Dervis and watching him in the pool.	
3.0	<u>Other Disability Events:</u> March – Herts ASA County Championships 14-15/04/2012 – European Downs Swimming Champs - Southampton 28/04/2012 – Special Olympics – HSV – hosted by SOSA 5-6/05/2012 – ASA East Regional Youth Champs – Basildon 6-9/05/2012 – National School Games 28/06/2012 – School Games – HSV JW TID GC Announcing IM Officials JH Recording 01/10/2012 – Special Olympics – HSV – hosted by SOEH	
4.0	<u>East Region Disability Meeting</u> JW attended the above meeting and fed back to the group. Minutes are attached. JW said, subject to the Exec Committee's approval, she is happy to be the County Disability Liaison Officer, however she would need support from SHK, JH and the Hoddesdon SC Coaches, for example covering her coaching to attend meetings.	
5.0	<u>AOB</u> CC to send JW orange stick. CC to email JW and JH the recording worksheet. CC to email IM the School Games programme.	
5.0	<u>Date of the Next Meeting</u> WEDNESDAY, 4th July, 2012 – 10:00am Novotel, Stevenage	