

Subject to approval at the next swimming committee

## **Hertfordshire Amateur Swimming Association**

### **Swimming Committee**

Minutes of the meeting held at the Welwyn Civic Centre, 5<sup>th</sup> September 2013, at 8pm

Present: Caroline Holt (CH), Mark Horrod (MH), Karen Huckle (KH), Derek Milton (DM), Ian Mackenzie (IM), Sheila Mackenzie (SM), Bryan Thompson (BT) & Sue Tysoe (ST)

S13/36. Apologies for absence from Grant Chivers (GC), Derek Hughes (DH), Marilyn Hughes (MJH), Chris Sage (CS).

#### **1. Minutes of Previous meetings**

S13/37. There was an error in the notes of the previous meeting of 11<sup>th</sup> June 2013, S13/31 Stanborough is in Welwyn, not Stevenage as was noted. Otherwise the notes were confirmed as accurate.

#### **2. Matters Arising**

S13/38 Development Meet – the starting end to be at the deep end of The Venue is not feasible.

S13/39 The Officials budget is now as part of the Workforce Development budget. MJH to sit on Workforce Development Committee. **BT to suggest to MJH**

S13/40 (S13/28) Travel expenses – coming to the meeting is that claimable – the county to contact the discipline manager to sign off and hand to county.

S13/41 (S13/31) Stanborough Festival took place. BT to contact Hercules & Festival of Sport to see if we can get real Open Water swimming in next year's Festival. Need to push Open Water harder next year.

#### **3. Masters Update**

S13/42 No problems throughout the event, but Chris had to rebuild the pads halfway through the meet.

#### **4. Competition Update**

##### **4.1 National Inter-County**

S13/43 The emails have been sent out requesting officials. CH to be team manager, BT to be the other team manager, Samir Ahmed to be coach. The Royston coach has expressed interest, however has not replied. Grant Chivers and Louise Hughes are the officials. BT has informed the committee the team can be tweaked right up until the deadline.

##### **4.2 Development Meet 2013**

S13/44 KH has sent the pack out, and has received two emails from clubs so far. Need to organise an events management committee soon.

The price for entry is £8.00 per event. It has been requested that in order to do the 50m events, the swimmers need to swim the 200m events. A copy of the Development Meet conditions need to be attached with the minutes. **SM to order the medals, BT to do speeding tickets.**

#### **4.3 Daplyn Trophy 2013**

S13/45 The Daplyn Trophy information packs have now gone out to the clubs.

#### **4.4 BAGCATS/ County Championships 2014**

S13/46 The Luton Pool has been booked for the long distance events for 1st March. The rest of the events would be held at The Venue.

13/47 Louse Hughes to modify the format of the events to include the younger age groups. CH to get wristbands for the coaches.

#### **4.5 BAGCAT Development Day**

S13/48 This was a successful day both financially and otherwise. Everyone involved learnt a lot from it. There were 72 swimmers present.

The St. Albans Boys School will be putting up plaques with the Olympic swimmers' record times as a memento of the day.

### **5. Officials and Education Update**

S13/49 FINA have issued updates. There is a regional Officials' forum planned. The Hertfordshire Officials' forum is on 23rd September. The effective date of the update is 23rd September. **MJH to send out invite to all the Herts Officials**

### **6. Open Water**

S13/50 The number of swimmers participating in training was very disappointing this year. Numbers were better at the regional championships. The season started at the beginning of June. There were five swimmers at training for the first three weeks, then the numbers started to dwindle.

S13/51 For the regional open water championships, there was a strong entry from Tring, Hatfield, Hoddesdon, Hitchin and Cheshunt. The profile needs to be raised by the county for next year.

### **7. Records**

S13/52 No records to report.

### **8. Development Plan**

S13/53 The plan was discussed, two key points emerging:

- a. Next time to do feedback form

- b.** Introduce evaluation forms – BT to update colours before next meeting.