

West Midland Swimming

Committee: Regional Swimming Committee

Venue: Basepoint Business Centre, Bromsgrove

Date and Time: Thursday 8th September 2016 6.30pm

Present:

Liz Sykes (LS) - Secretary	Ian Lamb (IL)	Jean Childs (JC)
Simon Sinclair (SS)	Trixie Pulsford (TP)	Bob Powell (BP)
Mark Stowe (MS)	Dave White (DW)	Jeff Morrey (JM)
Greg Clarke (GC)		

In Attendance: Helen Weeks (Club Development Officer)

Apologies: David Corbett, Tony Ward, Mandy Garrott, Tom Tame, Ian Carden

Minute	Agenda Item	Details	Action
16/14.00	Minutes from last meeting	One amendment – Trixie Pulsford had sent her apologies.	
16/15.00	Matters arising	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Para-swimming championships to be held on 22nd October at Rugby. Governance paper was discussed in detail. Committee was disappointed with the lateness of communication and how the new structure will look as there was a lack of time for anything to be fully considered before the AGM next week. 	
16/16.00	West Midland Championships	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Survey received and varied responses received – both positive and negative Finance - £6k surplus 2017 – proposal for new format put forward by David Corbett who could not attend the meeting. This was discussed and the committee agreed that they would prefer to remain as 2016. An email will be circulated to all performance and county coaches for feedback on various proposals to consider and a decision with them be made. <p>Action: HW to speak to Jo Jones and Divisional Office to forward proposals to coaches. Responses will be collated by the office and circulated.</p> <p>Action: HW to circulate the survey results.</p> <p>Discussion around lack of support from some clubs at Championships. Decision made to include selection policy in programme for regional camps and overseas competition. These selections to be made solely from individual swims at Championships.</p>	<p>HW</p> <p>HW</p>

16/17.00	Para-Swimming	Dave White gave a verbal update. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Autumn championships taking place on 22nd October at Rugby. DW will be looking to run some Talent ID sessions in the region to focus on raising numbers of para-swimmers. 	
16/18.00	Open Water	Jean Childs gave a verbal update. Action: JC to contact Sheila Cox re Staffordshire open water venues.	JC
16/19.00	Licensing Officer	Tony Green circulated a report.	
16/20.00	Records Officer	A report was circulated, which will be presented at the next Regional Management Board meeting.	
16/21.00	Officials	Ian Lamb gave a verbal update. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Large number of officials still in training and have been for a very long time. Ian is going to organise a regional training session as a refresher for all officials and mentors. Action: IL to send a proposal for dates/times/costs to HW and LS to bring up at Board meeting for approval.	IL/HW/LS
16/22.00	County updates	Shropshire – Verbal update. Staffordshire – Verbal update. Good progress as a county. Warwickshire – Report submitted to be circulated with the minutes. Worcester County – Problem with licensing and venue for distance events. Increased cost as a result.	
16/23.00	AORB Next meeting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ian Lamb stressed that more information should be circulated about the new committee structures as current committee members are unsure as to what their roles will be. Divisional Office will circulate a doodle poll for availability for next meeting.	Divisional Office

Minutes prepared by	Date
Helen Weeks	17/10/16