



President Chris Elliott

Minutes of the Operations Committee Meeting held on Monday 04.07.2022 via Zoom commencing at 16.00 hours

Present:

C Robinson	CR	Chair
P Robbins	PR	Vice Chair
G Pearce	GP	Finance Officer
J Hilleard	JH	Staff member
C Vickery	CV	Staff member
S Millett	SM	Staff member

2022/OC

74 Welcome, introductions and apologies

74.1 CR welcomed everyone to the meeting and there were no apologies.

75 Declarations of interest

75.1 Declarations of interest received – none

76 Minutes of previous meeting held on 09.05.2022

76.1 Acceptance as an accurate record proposed by PR and seconded by JH– Agreed unanimously

77 Matters arising not on the agenda:

77.1 None

78 Discipline Committee Minutes

78.1 Para

78.1.1 Problems with equipment at Horfield re Para Champs in Sept – plan to move whole event to Hengrove. Post meeting note Hengrove can accommodate and event to be moved to there.

78.1.2 Para Records and the recording of – South East region do this and have sent across information on how they set it up. Other regions also planning to start maintaining Para Records. Para Swimmers will need to apply. SM to set out the

process for updating the records and explain to the committee the process before they submit to the office for updating.

78.2 Coaches

78.2.1 A follow up meeting to be held on 06.07.2022 to look at the programme for 2023 Summer Champs with recommendations / alterations to the current programme.

78.3 Water Polo

78.3.1 Minutes not yet received.

78.3.2 WP looking at purchasing some new goals but will need funds to be reallocated. CR has advised them to submit an application.

78.3.3 WP looking at Sponsorship packages CR advised them to run pass GP before implementing to make sure they do not conflict with any SE sponsors.

78.4 Open Water

78.4.1 Open Water Championships held on 02.07.2022. Low number of swimmers compared to previous years. Feedback was the event was good. Suggestion to look at alternative lakes with better facilities going forward.

78.5 Artistic Swimming

78.5.1 No meeting has been held but there is an online conference booked on 17.09.2022 via Zoom

79 Club Development – JH

79.1 Club Affiliations/SwimMark – email from Swim England sent today reminding clubs. Clubs for concern are West Wilts Diving, Kingsbridge Kingfishers, and Penzance.

79.2 OMS – Qualifications need to marry up with the role undertaken.

79.3 Safeguarding dates are available and filling as normal. UK Coaching have new staff in role. Wavepower does not expire until Dec 2023

79.4 Inclusion nothing new to discuss apart from FINA rule change for transgender male to female not competing.

79.5 Youth Panel Update – all contact via email at present – Ellie our National Panel rep has been appointed Chair of the National Panel – JH has sent an email congratulating Ellie. JH looking at a few changes to the YV programme for Sept.

79.6 Regional Strategy – Still a work in progress for JH

80 Finance – GP

80.1 Summer Championships GP is looking at overall figures to present to the

board on Saturday.

80.2 Breakdown County by County and look at affiliation fees.

80.3 Loan repayment from Swim England remains outstanding to date.

80.4 GP reviewing work with BEST accountancy.

80.5 Club Treasurers Meeting October 2022 via Zoom – invite County Treasurers too and also ask all for agenda items.

81 Updates from SE & BS

81.1 Refugees – Ukrainian training courses, affiliation fees etc – it has been raised within the Regional Chairs group why other refugees have not had this. Discussion followed.

81.2 Review of Counties has been delayed but 32 out of 33 counties have responded.

82 Forums and meetings in July

SE AGM

06.07 Coaches Meeting – SM

11.07 Welfare Officers – JH

12.07 TM2 – JH

18.07 Club Development - JH

83 Staff Leave

CV – 25.07 all week

84 Miscellaneous

84.1 SE Member check seems to be being used to check qualifications rather than OMS leading to incorrect information being distributed – AS using this rather than OMS. Discussion around why SE Member Check is used. Accessibility by more people than OMS seems the main reason. Need to educate – see 84.2

84.2 Certain disciplines do not seem to think all the rules apply to them. As a matter of priority we need to get all Regional discipline managers and Chairs together and discuss this. CR to co-ordinate.

84.2 Bristol Stingrays – new club affiliation – name not suitable – SM to go back to the club re this.

84.4 Volunteer Awards

9 received for Coach of the Year

1 Technical Official

7 Volunteer of the Year

2 Youth Champion
0 YV
0 Club of the Year

All in the Newsletter. Also approach Counties and disciplines and ask them to push through social media. JH will action.

85 Date of Next meeting

01.08.2022

Meeting closed 17.50 hours