Subject:	Coaches Committee	
Date and Venue:	23 rd May 2014	
	South West Offices, TA21 9JQ	
	Date of next meeting – Thursday 25 th September 2014, 10:15am	
Attendees:		Apologies
Emily Taylor (CDO/ASA)(ET)	Sam Woodward Swim Bournemouth	Emma Richards Swim B
Chris Tremellen Swimming Secretary/Events Secretary (CT)	Andy Osborne Gloucester	Robin Brew
Jo John Exeter (JJ)	Lindsay Dunn ASA Talent	Mark Skimming
Graham Davidson Taunton Deane (GD)	Helen Tooley Cornwall	John Randall City of Bristol
Louise Clayton Swindon	Jol Finck Millfield	
John Rudd Plymouth Leander (JR)		
Robert Margetts SW Competition Secretary / SW Board		

3.	Minutes of the last meeting	
	Any existing actions were discussed and they minutes were agreed to be a true reflection	

4.	Talent Programme Update	
	LD has circulated information regarding the upcoming phase 1 and regional programme camps to all the coaches. She explained the selection process for the camps and asked coaches to nominate any additional swimmers/ raise any concerns no later than Wednesday 1 st October. She also asked to meet all coaches after phase 1 to discuss selections for phase 2.	Coaches to send nominations and any selection concerns to LD no later than 1 st Oct and to chase swimmers that haven't yet replied.
5	Network Updates	
	Exeter JJ explained that the network had recently had a productive meeting and planned a few things including a skills camp in March. Clubs attending so far are Exeter City, Honiton, Exmouth, Dawlish, Torquay, Crediton and Barnstable.	
	Taunton GD told the group that the coaches had caught up at Nationals and that they are planning a camp in December. In the meantime smaller camps are running across the network.	
	Swindon LC informed the group that she couldn't attend the last network meeting but that ET attended. ET said that the network was currently very workforce led. LC also mentioned that GLL were taking over the Swindon pools in October.	
	Plymouth JR listed the 7 clubs part of the network. ET added Brixham and Carradon who have recently been in touch about joining. He identified that Totnes and Okehampton still needed to be picked up by a network if possible. He also explained that the network has recently run their first network gala that was sponsored by Everyone Active.	

	Cornwall HT told the group that there is a network session planned for this Saturday.	
	Gloucester AO informed the group that there were novice galas coming up and plans for workforce courses. It is a slow process but network activity is taking place.	
	Dorset SW mentioned that no real network activity was happening other than events run by Dorset ASA. However all coaches meet and get along. Swim Bournemouth are looking at running a coach education event.	
6	Regional Competitions/ Swimming Committee Update CT explained that there was funding available from the swimming licensing pot. Application forms can be found on the bursary page off www.swimwest.org.uk .	
	There is a meeting that the region will attend on 5 th October to find out more about the new competition structure. Information will be distributed to the counties a week after and it can be discussed in more depth at the next coach committee meeting.	
	RM asked the group if they still wanted finals for 50s, 100s and 200s. The group voted yes unanimously. JR suggested the region could even consider B finals.	
	LD mentioned the issue with parents entering the swimmer balcony at Millfeild during regional competitions. The group supported a tighter restriction on accreditation passes.	Swimming committee
	RM asked coaches to remind their swimmers and network clubs that the swimmer balcony is not a changing room.	Coaches
7	Club Development Update ET informed the group that she had run 3 club development evenings; one is Cornwall, Dorset and Gloucestershire.	

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	She also updated the group about the new IOS club offer that can reduce the cost of a level 1 and 2 coaching course dramatically. If any club is interested in this offer they should contact ET directly. Lastly ET's last driving day will be on Monday 17 th November. Her maternity leave position will be advertise shortly.	
8	Any Other Business JR raised the issue of missing coaches from the group. It was agreed the LD and ET would send an email out to missing coaches to ensure they still wanted to be part of the group and encourage them to send a substitute if they are unable to attend. CT reported that 13.8% of competitors from National Age Groups came from a SW club and 18.4% at National Youths.	LD &ET
8	Date of next meeting – Thursday 6 th November, 10:15am at ASA SW Office, Wellington	