



President M.Coles

Minutes of the Swimming Committee held on 26th February 2020 at the Regional Offices

<u>Present:</u>	M.Coles	(MC)	President
	R.Margetts	(RM)	Finance Officer and Chairman
	C.Vickery	(CV)	Admin & Events Co-ordinator
	S.Haigh	(SH)	Masters Secretary
	N.Vause	(NV)	Officials Secretary
	J.John	(JJ)	Coaches Representative
	A.Jack	(AJ)	Club Development Officer
	G.Cockill	(GC)	Board Representative
	C.Elliott	(CE)	Cornwall Representative
	J.Stoneman	(JS)	Devon Representative
	K.Podbury	(KP)	Somerset Representative
	A.Smart	(AS)	Dorset Representative
	A.Osborne	(AO)	Gloucs Representative
	C.Robinson	(CR)	Board Chairman Elect
	C.Tremellen	(CT)	Swimming & Events Secretary

Apologies: L. Leffers & Yeoman

20.1 Minutes of previous meeting -16th October 2019 - signed as true record

20.2 Matters arising

- 2.1 Swimmer of the Year - Cameron Williams. The Board decided to present Devon with a trophy to acknowledge their achievement.
- 2.2 28.4 Meeting of County Meet co-ordinators – not held as it had been impossible to find a mutually acceptable date. L. Leffers wrote a paper instead. This paper to be circulated to committee.

20/3 Overseas Meet

- 3.1 Very successful meet. Almost all swimmers got second swims in either A or B finals.
- 3.2 Some difficulties in selection of swimmers as had to wait for SE to announce their team for an overseas meet on same weekend.
- 3.3 18 medals won plus top team trophy.
- 3.4 JJ recommended returning to Lisbon however the dates in 2021 clash with half term.

20/4 Licensing

- 4.1 Licensing remains busy with clubs battling for dates and venues.
- 4.2 Concern regarding clubs block booking venues so that other clubs cannot run meets. Will try again to hold a meeting of County co-ordinators.
- 4.3 Joint Club Champs – this has not worked with just 2 clubs applying for joint competition.
- 4.4 County Championships now complete.
- 4.5 Secondary strobes – essential that all L1 & L2 meets have strobes available to obtain a license and from September 2020 this applies to L3 meets too.

20/5 Report Coaches Committee

- 5.1 SE National Events Camps 19/20th December at Millfield and either Sheffield or Coventry.
- 5.2 Coaches and teachers register – 80 people in SW are missing their DBS certificates – some may be in processing. Safeguarding also needs chasing up.
- 5.3 Coaches conference -14th March. Date coincides with 3 x L1 meets in the Region as last qualifying opportunity for British Champs. Possible low turnout.
- 5.4 Stronger Affiliation. 50% of SW clubs have Swim Mark so they are OK. AJ and Jackie Hilleard chasing the others as deadline is Dec 1st.

20/6 Officials Minutes

- 6.1 The SW trial of the online J1 qualification was a success and it was now rolled out Nationwide.
- 6.2 New SwimMeet sign up for officials has worked very well.
- 6.3 A Para CPD course will be held at Hengrove on 30th May in conjunction with the gala.
- 6.4 Multiple seminars to be arranged.

20/7 Masters Committee Minutes

- 7.1 Devon won inter-County
- 7.2 Medals – will use Masters Points with just 1 set gold, silver & bronze in each events
- 7.3 Had to cancel Development Day in January as only 11 signed up.
One deaf person who had applied to attend required a signer. The Region agreed to pay this however it would have been very expensive. Various suggestions made where cheaper or voluntary person might be found, eg deaf society, deaf school in Exeter.
- 7.4 Complaint that Masters records were not being kept up to date.

20/8 Swimming Finance Officers Report

- 8.1 RM circulated an up to date spread sheet.
- 8.2 J1 fees now being paid from License fees collected.
- 8.3 Queried whether a music license was required for the pools we use or whether they have one. CT to chase up.

20/9 Events Minutes

- 9.1 Winter Championships ran well with A & B finals
- 9.2 Youths at Plymouth – Council requested that we mark VE Day.
- 9.3 Swim shop in attendance at all but mixed commission – 10% at Plymouth, 5% at Hengrove, nil at Millfield plus 12.5% for our own kit.

- 9.4 Dates 2021:

Summer Championships	Youths	Plymouth	1/2/3rd May
	Age groups	Millfield	24/25 th April
		Hengrove	8/9 th May
FAST 5		Millfield	4 th July
Masters		Millfield	26 th September
Winter Championships		Millfield	5/6/7 th November
Masters Inter-County		Millfield	14 th November

20/10 Competition Report

- 10.1 Competition info ready to go out.
- 10.2 Change to conditions (in italics)-
7(b) The organising committee shall decide, and publish with entries received file, if a withdrawal system shall operate for the heats and finals. A failure to comply will result in a

fine of £10.00 fine for heats and £25.00 fine for finals. After this the club will be fined. *The fastest heat in the Heat Declared winners events is classified as a final.*

20/11 Swimming Secretary's Report

11.1 Strategy Day – CT attending. Second person not appointed as several of the committee will be attending otherwise.

20/12 County Reps Reports

12.1 Dorset: Championships completed & very successful. J1 going well.

12.2 Gloucester: County Championships finished. Asking Swim England for information on the success or otherwise of the Pathway. Still to decide whether to continue to participate. Coaches keen but not T.Managers.

12.3 Devon: Championships went well, entry numbers up.

12.4 Somerset: Counties ran well and long course. Used an app for volunteers linked with the Officials sign up¹ which worked really well. Feedback closes end February – will then hold swimming meeting to decide future.

12.5 Cornwall: Less entries in this years Championships – hope to pick up more entries in later competitions. Not participating in Pathway.

20/13 Dates of Future meetings

*June 24th and October 14th * note change of date

20/14 AOB

14.1 From April 1st Claim forms will need to show bank details. CR to circulate info nearer the time.

Signed _____
R.Margetts (Chairman)