

Minutes of The City of Bradford SC Committee Meeting
Thursday 26 June 2008

Present David Alexander (Vice Chair)
Lisa Brown, Kath Bonson, Juliette Freeman,
Christine McCabe, Andy Pearce, John Preston,
Josephine Preston, Steve Eddison, Andy Foulds

Apologies Matilda Brown

Swimming Development Report

- Report Submitted
- Ilkley Pool has offered the club the use of the pool & grounds to hold a social event, AF to contact Mick Wood to discuss.
- New Notice boards have arrived at Rhodesway, AF to collect.
- CMc asked if we could go the lottery site and give views about funds available for swimming – sportengland.org/consultation.
- AF asked about the insurance certificate that is required for swim 21 reaccreditation, KB adv it is on the notice board at Rhodesway.
- LB asked CMc about the news reports that appear in local newspapers and commented that the reports only focus on finalists and not all swimmers who have competed. CMc said that the reports that she sends are edited before they are printed, and that she will try to mention all swimmers in future. AP advised that his reports did do this.

Senior Coaches Report

- Report Submitted
- AP advised that Di Whittaker is still owed some money for the catering form the Xmas Meet, JF to check this.
- AF had discussed the Long Course Training for National Swimmers and it had been agreed that it would be available for the 3 qualifiers as funding for this may be available from Yorkshire ASA, DA adv that the receipt for this should be sent to Barry Saunders and that we should get £100 towards this.
- AP asked if Sian Morgan could have a T Shirt for the National Long Course Championships in July – Agreed.
- AP passed on a letter from Ben Pollard, which would be discussed later in the meeting.
- AF asked which coaches would be available for the EOS meet; AP adv he would be at Nationals, Sarah and Chris would be available on Saturday. Chris was unavailable for Sunday as he is already working at Shipley Pool, but has offered to do poolside if the club could cover his loss of wages for that day – to be discussed and advise.
- JMP asked if the calendar for next season has been done yet? AP adv is in the process of doing this but would like to go ahead with Darlington and Leeds if enough cover available.
- AF asked about the competitive start awards, AP said this should be done by September.
- AF also asked if the criteria for joining the club had been done, as local clubs were waiting for this for their swimmers, AP adv this is in process and will be available soon.

8.15 p.m AP & CMc left

Minutes of the Previous Meeting – Agreed

Matters Arising

- Rising Stars Trophies – AF to contact CMc to find out exactly how many trophies are requires, Agreed to offer surplus marble awards form last years EOS.
- LB adv has cancelled Cliff Castle, DA to confirm this with CMc.
- Dickensian Fair – Agreed not to proceed.
- Notice boards – JF adv that we will probably need another one at Rhodesway, agreed to wait until they are up then decide.
- AF to pass on details of Adsa to JF to look into further.
- KB adv that the website had been changed in connection with the letter from Bradford Dolphin.
- Social Calendar – LB said that it is difficult to do as people are not willing to get involved, Agreed to have a presentation night again – poss date of 1 November with a Halloween theme again, LB to look into venues.
- DA advised that £450 is available for the training for coaches which is provided on completion of this and that the council would also like to offer some money toward this.
- JP advises that congratulation cards have been sent.

Correspondence

- Thanks and Feedback for the Year of the Club forum, passed to AF.
- Grass Roots Development Group – AF offered to attend.
- Nomination for Vacancies at NER ACM – No Interest
- The letter from Ben Pollard that was passed in earlier was in connection with the proposed pool closures in Bradford, this was discussed by the committee and a reply will be sent.
- AF proposed that we form a sub committee to work on developing a plan of action for the proposed pool closures that should also include the local clubs – This was agreed and DA offered to head the committee.

Chairman's Report

- DA advised that he has had a meeting with Ben Pollard to introduce himself and so that he can work with him in future.

Treasurers Report

- JF gave a verbal report on the clubs finances.
- JP advised that money from EOS entries and £40 refund from Deventio would be banked in the next few days.

Social Secretary

- The stall we had at the Bradford Dolphin fun day raised £12.
- Presentation – as prev discussed.
- AF suggested offering to sponsor a trophy at their own club galas – agreed. JP to write and offer this.
- LB also suggested a bag pack, possibly for the Junior Development Trip. More details to follow.

Swim Meets

- JMP adv that the EOS meet is likely to be full when all of the entries are processed. Timing has been confirmed. Numbers for catering to be confirmed for LB.
- KB adv that Sandy Fordham is now the official workforce co-ordinator and is organizing volunteers. KB offered to liase with her on this.
- Car Parking – we are not going to make any alternative arrangements, as the card park at Shipley Pool is now fully open.
- JMP to contact Shipley Pool re access on Friday night and to speak to CMC about changing the training for Junior Squad.
- Agreed to invite a small amount of guests, JP to organize.
- LB asked for a budget for the catering, JF advised £500.
- Forms for Leeds and Darlington to go out before finish for Holidays.

Membership

- KB adv membership is now up to date and a list will be passed onto Linda O'Donohoe of which parents need to be ASA reg.
- JMP adv that the Farooqs have submitted entries for the EOS but are not still members of the club. KB adv they have been asked to join on several occasions but still have not done so. AF offered to have an informal chat with them about this; otherwise something will have to be put in writing.
- KB adv that there are some Winning Edge Swimmers that have already paid Rising Stars Membership for this Year, should we ask them for any additional membership fees due to being so late on the year? Agreed no.

Swim 21

- Updates to follow

AGM

- JP suggested a possible date of 28 August at Eccleshill as we have a combined training session there that night. To check and advise.

Any Other Business

- Agreed that we cannot pay Chris for loss of wage to do poolside at the EOS meet, AF to discuss this with him. Will look at alternative coaching arrangements for Sunday.
- AF asked if we are having a training camp next year – Agreed but it will only be 1 trip, possible date of Oct 2009.
- DA advised that Ben Pollard would like to attend the next meeting – Agreed, JP to invite.
- AF suggested we put a three-year plan in place to improve the club; KB adv will need the commitment of the council to do this. To discuss further next time.
- DA also suggested that any matters arising are dealt with by email in future.

Date of the Next Meeting Tuesday 29 July 2008
Prune Park 7.30 p.m.