

SUFFOLK COUNTY ASA

MANAGEMENT BOARD

Minutes of a meeting of the Management Board held on the 14th May 2009 at 25, Holywell Close, Bury St. Edmunds, IP33 2DA, starting at 7.30 p.m.

SUBJECT TO APPROVAL AT THE NEXT MEETING

Present: David Robinson (chair), Kathy Korth, David Whelan, Robin Deal and Don Neate

Apologies: Ian Cotton and Bernie Buck

Size of Education Funding for 2009/2010

This was discussed based on the funding used in the year 2008/2009 and a suggestion by DW was adopted which was for £9,000 with the proviso that this figure could be reviewed later in the year should the need arise.

Size of Individual Awards

This was discussed at length bearing in mind the funding available from the Region and the need for the County to support all clubs and not just those with Swim21 or working towards Swim21, as agreed by the County Executive. It was agreed that clubs receiving 50% grants from the Region should be awarded a further 25% to make the total grant to 75% of the course costs, excluding travel and accommodation.

Clubs not receiving the Regional grant should receive 40% of the total cost of the course excluding travel and accommodation.

It was also agreed that 50% of the cost of the following courses should also be made available:

Team Manager Safeguarding Children in Sport

Rescue Test Time to Listen

Poolside Helper NPQL

It was further agreed that other courses essential to Swim21 should be considered on application.

Administration of Grants

After some discussion it was agreed that the administration of the grants should be handled jointly by DW and DN.

NOTE Since the meeting DN has heard from the CSP that they may be able to undertake the administration but that a fee would be involved. It was agreed with the CSP that a decision would be made once the size of the fee was decided.

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DR asked about the progress of the County Talent Camp on the 31st of May and DN checked with Ian Cotton by phone and was assured that the invites would go out at the weekend.

DN advised that the Beacon Programme at Norwich should start this coming weekend.

The date of the Suffolk Disability Gala was discussed now that the date of the Regional event was known to be the 6th December 2009. It was suggested that 6th February would be suitable and that this should be suggested to Jill Walker.

KK confirmed that the dates for the Distance County Championships had been agreed with Norfolk and will be held on the 13th and 20th February at Norwich. The pool at Ipswich has also been booked.

KK also tabled some proposals for revisions to the County Championships at Ipswich. These were discussed and KK will work on them further and recirculate to the MB by e-mail.

The refurbishment of the Crown Pools is due to start shortly and KK is keeping a close watch on the effect of this on the Championships.

DR said that Chris Curtin of Stowmarket had passed the practical of the National Referees exam and was now a full Referee. The meeting passed their congratulations to Chris.

The Contemporary Issues CPD being presented by the County on May 31st was discussed and DR said that he was due to be helped by Chris Galer and Keith Belton but both had had to drop out due to other commitments. DW said that he would assist DR with the presentation and the two agreed to meet to finalise the presentation.

DN agreed to talk to Ian Cotton about the refreshments to be served during the CPD.

DR said that five more people in the County had received the Regional Silver Pin for service to swimming, they were Brian Rivett, and Jean Green both of Lowestoft and Oulton Broad. David Whelan of teamipswich, Wendy Read of Mildenhall, Bobbie Wilson of Stowmarket. The meeting gave their congratulations.

The Officials courses were discussed and DR said that 14 people had passed the Judge level 1 exam since January. He said that the new courses started slowly but the pace was now picking up and that there were now a lot of people in the County taking part in courses.

Also the National Swimming Officials Group had now decided that where JL1 candidates got as far as the Timekeeper exam but decided that the rest of the course was not for them they could be registered as timekeepers as long as they passed the exam.

DW gave a summary of the County accounts which showed that currently we have a balance of £37,595.

DR said that several members were not present and had not sent an apology. He asked that all members of the Management Board send an apology if they are unable to attend as if the meeting is not going to be quorate it can be rescheduled to avoid unnecessary travel.

Date of next meeting: The next meeting will be the Executive meeting on June 27th 2009.