

Oxfordshire & North Buckinghamshire Counties ASA

President: Kim Weetman

Chairman: Post Vacant



MINUTES OF ZOOM ONLINE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

ON 22nd SEPTEMBER 2020 AT 7.37PM

Present:

P Shaw (COSC)	N Mellings (Sec)	I Powell (Treasurer)	K Weetman (Disability Sec & 4SSC)
O Stockland (Swim Sec/ADSC)	M Fuller (Synchro Sec & Witney Synchro SC)	B McDonald (Club Dev Officer/SER)	S Wratten (4SSC)
Kate Iles (BBFS)	A Willis (ADSC)	S Wynne-Jones (CMK)	S-A Clavaud (W&DSC)
N Brown (COSC)	A Readhead (Maxwell)	P Evans (Thame)	B D'Arcy (AVSC)

	Agenda Item	Discussion and Decision	Action
1.	Apologies/Opening Remarks	Apologies were received from: D Wheatley (Fixtures Sec/AVSC), A Ford (AVSC & County Team Coach), J Uylett (County Pathway) and K Underwood (Officials Coordinator/COSC). This meeting immediately followed on from the AGM and as agreed at the AGM, P Shaw chaired this mtg. It was agreed by the assembled members that nominations below would not be proposed and seconded; instead post holders/new incumbents would be asked for agreement to taking up/remaining in post. Only Amanda Ford had indicated prior to the mtg that she would not continue in her post of County Team Coach.	
2.	Appointment of	Nominated	
a.	Swimming Championships Secretary	Oliver Stockland	
b.	Fixtures Secretary	Donna Wheatley	
c.	County Records Officer	Peter Shaw	
d.	Synchronised Swimming Secretary	Mandy Fuller	
e.	Officials Secretary	Karen Underwood	
f.	Masters Secretary	Amanda Readhead	
g.	Awards Trustee	TBC - O.Stockland to confirm name of Awards Trustee	
h.	Disability Officer	Kim Weetman	
i.	Lead Team Manager	Chantal Clavaud	
j.	Girls Team Manager	Hannah Wilson	
k.	Boys Team Manager	Fabian Whitbread	
l.	County Team Coach	<i>Noel Horton – appointed post AGM</i>	
m.	Selection Committee	<i>Update post AGM: Fixtures Sec, County Team Coach, Lead Team Manager, GTM, BTM and Head Coach of 4 Top Clubs (Counties) not represented by preceding members (ie AVSC, NPSC, ADSC & WWH).</i>	
n.	Masters Record Officer	David Hall	
o.	Welfare Officer (Counties)	Sarah Showler	
p.	Officials Administrator	Felicity Govan	
q.	Coach Education Officer	-	
r.	Water Polo Secretary	-	
s.	Diving Secretary	-	

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3.	Records Claims	Peter Shaw presented the Records Claim Report. The updated records have been placed on the ONB website	
4.	New Club Affiliations	Sunflower Swim Club, Oxford applied for affiliation to ONB in April 2020. The application was on hold as Sunflower's Constitution did not reflect its Application. On 15 th Sept 2020 an amended Constitution was received reflecting Sunflower SC as a recreational swimming club only. COSC are content with this change. SER will inform membership services to process this affiliation.	
5.	Funding Applications	No applications received.	
6.	Swim England South East	Ben McDonald presented his report which is duly attached. He noted that SE are pushing ahead with 1 st Dec deadline for Stonger Affiliations. If clubs decide not to go for Swim Mark then they must pursue Stronger Affiliation.	
7.	AOB	<p>There were 2 AOB Items:</p> <p>1. ONB Return to Training Survey. The Sec updated the Cttee on the Return to Training survey ONB had conducted in August; the survey will be attached to the Combined Reports. Responses had been received from 13 clubs; concerns across the board around lack of/no pool time, significantly increased costs and dwindling membership. SE has also distributed a 'Clubs return to water survey'. This is also attached to the Combined Reports.</p> <p>2. Two questions regarding funding/support had been received; one from CMK '<i>Is there any possibility of financial assistance from ONB to prevent clubs from folding?</i>' and one from Thame SC '<i>What is ONB and Swim South East doing to support community clubs who are struggling due to a lack of pool time and spiralling costs.</i>' Thame SC highlighted the issue they had with their pool provider (GLL) regarding lack of pool time, spiralling costs and concern for swim clubs at grass roots level. Many clubs noted that they are working at a loss each month, despite cutting costs, undertaking fundraising and raising fees. The concern was how long that loss could be sustained before clubs may fold. The ONB Exec Cttee noted that funding is available for ONB clubs and would help where possible. However, it would not be feasible to shore up dwindling club funds for all ONB clubs indefinitely.</p> <p>SER have funds available but have @190 clubs to support. ONB Exec Cttee asked if SE had made plans to support clubs and asked B McDonald to keep us updated. COSC's pool provider, Fusion, may be offering more pool hours than COSC need; COSC are looking to share some pool time with other local clubs. SODC have been approached for assistance but they are waiting for a Recovery Plan from GLL- they have been waiting for some time. Concern re willingness of local councils to get involved on behalf of swim clubs.</p>	

The Exec Cttee Meeting closed 8.10pm.

The next Meeting will be held at 7pm on Tuesday 17th November 2020. Details to be sent out nearer the date.

Nicky Mellings
ONB Sec

Date: 4th October 2020

Chair Signature:

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