



Dingwall Amateur Swimming Club

Minutes of Committee Meeting held on 26th February 2015

Present: Neil Anderson (Chair) Angela Cushnie (Parent) Fiona Simpson (Child Protection) Fiona Macleman (Auditor) Claire Connelly (Fundraising) Gordon Lyall (MC) Andrew Clark (Head Coach) Jordan MacDonald (Coach) Katy Connelly (Head Girl) and Hamish Kerr (Head Boy).

Apologies: Julie Davidson (Secretary) Ewan MacNab (Treasurer) Michelle Wallace (Membership Secretary) Kirsty Finlayson (MC) Nicky Logan (Parent)

Item	Discussion	Action
1	Neil opened the meeting and introductions were made	
2	Minutes from the last meeting were approved with no changes	
3	<p>Scottish Amateur Swimming Association (SASA) Affiliation Discussed questions raised by Ewan MacNab and the answers that had been given by SASA. General feeling of those present was that joining SASA has been on the Agenda for a long time and should be continued . No objections raised at the meeting. Discussed subscription changes and committee felt that given the benefits of joining have been questioned by some, the club should fund the first years membership without an increase in our club fees. In one year's time the committee will consider the benefits to DASC having been a member of SASA and decide whether membership should be continued. Fund raising should have attracted sufficient funds to cover next years membership fees and swimmers subscriptions could be considered again if membership to SASA is to continue.</p> <p>Neil & Julie to send off application papers</p>	Neil Julie
4	<p>Membership Fees: SASA membership not to be reflected in this years fees. Additional session fees to be considered at next meeting once the number of sessions available has been confirmed.</p>	Neil
5	Membership Update: Carried forward to next meeting	Michelle
6	Finance: Discussed Ewan's recent statement	
7	Fundraising: Concern raised by parents that fund raising has mainly come from parents pockets. Level of club funds already seems adequate. Discussed contacting local businesses and Tesco Bag Pack which would be less reliant on friends and	

	<p>family providing the funds.</p> <p>Committee offered Claire Connelly assistance with any project she is working on. Discussed means of contacting local businesses and agreed that any draft letters should be discussed at committee meetings before being sent out.</p> <p>Claire will contact Tesco to find out more about bag packing fundraisers.</p>	<p>All</p> <p>Claire</p>
8	<p>Coaches:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Discussed social media sites that Andrew leads: snapchat, twitter, friends with individual swimmers on facebook and facebook closed group, instagram. Committee concerned that Andrew should be using closed group club accounts for contact with swimmers. Committee to seek advice regarding creating a suitable social media policy from Ewan Stirling at SASA. Lochaber meet provisional date of 16 or 17th May but this may clash with a P7 trip. Date to be confirmed. 40th Anniversary/Awards Night: committee decided that best option would be an event after the Inter club Gala in September. 	<p>All committee members</p>
9	<p>Head Boy & Girl: Hamish & Katy reported that swimmers had done well in tonight's sponsored swim. Some swimmers completed the mile swim in just over 30 minutes.</p>	
10	<p>AOB:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Samples of club T-shirts have arrived Extra swim sessions: discussed various options: 7am-8am session has been offered, but thought to be too difficult for working parents and parents with other children and would only be attended by those living close to the pool. Friday evening session (when parties are normally scheduled) – have been offered every 2nd week, but this is not practical. Possibility of Alness sessions on Wednesday and Fridays. Also potential option for Thursday 4-5pm also raised. Neil to re-book current sessions and enquire about more availability at Alness and Dingwall Swim Cap policy, while all want caps to be worn, it's to be policed less severely ie swimmers not to be excluded for forgetting a cap – spare caps to be given to swimmer to wear instead. 	<p>Neil</p>
10 & 11	<p>Date & Time of Next Meeting:</p> <p>Tuesday 28th April – informal meeting above the pool from 6.30pm</p> <p>Neil closed the meeting and thanked everyone who attended the meeting or made submissions.</p>	

Minutes submitted by Neil Anderson (Chair) on 27/02/15 and typed by Julie Davidson (Secretary) 02/03/15