

## **Minutes of Swimming Committee**

9<sup>th</sup> September 2021

BY ZOOM

7.00pm

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Attendees: Gillian Neal, Flo Barnes, Leah Pullen, Jeanette Edmiston, Karin Vazirani, Sofia Marcal

Whittles, Brian Kapp (just before the close as delayed in traffic)

Plus, by invitation, Chris Pullen, Mohamed Hammad and Jamilla Bethley

Apologies: Bob Bloomfield, Pam Crofts, Wayne Hirst,

Ref Note Action 19/2 Purpose of the meeting a) This meeting was called primarily to hear from the coaches that applied and were selected to be part of the County Coach Team. Chris Reekie was also selected but sent apologies as he was short of coaches and had to be on poolside with his squad. CR and JE did however have a phone call earlier in the day which JE related in the meeting. 19/3 **New County Coach team** a) Each coach was asked to introduce themselves and say why they were interested in the being part of the County Coach team. Each of them did so and each expressed their enthusiasm and desire to work with the county to develop and inspire our swimmers and help us run top quality camps and championships. b) Two of the coaches, Chris and Mo, used to swim at Ealing and knew each other well. Jamilla is also an ex competitive swimmer and they all got on well and seemed relaxed and eager to be helpful. c) In the call earlier with Chris Reekie he said he wanted to ensure we had a strong structure and was keen to offer insights into what was done in his previous county that he thought worked well and benefitted swimmers. He wanted to work with other dedicated and keen coaches to support the county to be the best it can be. d) As CR is the most experienced coach in the team our plan is that he leads it and acts as a mentor for the others, supporting them as necessary. e) It was made clear that all final decision making will be done by the committee or executive as appropriate but that we were open to the CC teams views and ideas. f) JE will set up a call with the CC team to agree specific roles and look at a development JE day at Barnet before the end of the year for the swimmers that will have missed out. Add to g) We will discuss what to do about an overseas trip at the next meeting. agenda 19/4 **County Qualifier Autumn 2021** a) Proposed as a 4 day meet on 3<sup>rd</sup>/10<sup>th</sup>/16<sup>th</sup>/17<sup>th</sup> October at Southbury Road Enfield ALL b) LP has drafted conditions and is still awaiting feedback. c) Draft session plan is included in the conditions for comment d) QTs and upper and lower limits have been set. However, the lower limit appears to be

## 19/5 County Championships 2022

a) Looking at dates for January and February 2022 to fit the window. Ideally would have one weekend long course for the Youth age groups, but enquiries at LAC and all the other LC pools we have tried have been unsuccessful. We may have to have the Championships as SC if we cannot secure a pool.

agreed the lower limit should be taken away.

causing issues as the 'band' created by the upper and lower limits is too tight. It was

b) JE to email London Region and Swim England to see if they can help or alternatively to JE as SE if we can extend the window to secure a LC pool.

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a) JE determined that Intercounties 2021 has been cancelled. We expect the event to resume in 2022.

## 19/7 Overseas Trip 2022

a) It was suggested we could try and have a trip in UK somewhere rather than abroad if the situation with the pandemic was still uncertain next year. This would also be easier to manage for the new CC team.

## 19/8 AOB

a) None

Jeanette Edmiston, Secretary	
Accepted	Date