CUMBRIA AMATEUR SWIMMING ASSOCIATION

Minutes of the Executive Meeting held on Sunday 12th April 2015

**Present:** Andy Sharpe (Chairman), Martin Tickner (Secretary), Keith Chisholm (Treasurer), Raymond Watson (Past President), Helen Smith-Ward (Volunteer Co-ordinator) Julie Routledge (Diddy League Secretary), Craig Heggie (Copeland), Matthew Hinde (Vice-Chairman), Jim Messenger (President), Muriel Moffet Carlisle Aquatics), John Sinclair (Carlisle Aquatics), Adam Lace (Workington), Tracey Owen (Workington), Ian Powley (Penrith)

1. **Apologies for absence:** Julie Johnson (Kendal), Paul Messenger (Copeland), Shaun Winstanley (Workington), Helen Robinson (Ulverston), Lesley Capstick (Ulverston), Mark Ralph (Barrow), Catherine Baxter (Cockermouth), Graham Pearson (Masters Secretary)
2. **Minutes from the last meetings (18th January 2015 and 22nd March 2015)** were approved and signed as a true record of the meetings.
3. **Actions arising from the previous minutes:** None from the meeting of 18th January**.**
4. **Grant Applications** – In Shaun’s absence this matter will be discussed at the next meeting in June.
5. **Reports:**
6. **Treasurer:** Keith reported that the association has funds of £20,614.85. The invoice for pool hire relating to the Winter Meet at Workington amounts to £2889, Shaun is negotiating with the pool operators for a discount. Keith reported that Greenwich Leisure Ltd have taken over from both CLL and NCL.
7. **Championship Secretary:** Martins report was distributed at the meeting, a copy is attached.
8. **Meet Organiser:** Keith thanked Shaun for his help at the Winter Meet and to Ian Proud for his expertise at the Kendal age groups. Additional help is still required with the results service. The only real ‘glitch’ during the age groups was due to a broken wire at Copeland. Thanks to Janice Whittle for attending both the Kendal and Copeland age groups in her role as President of NWR and to Garry Whittle who helped to referee at Copeland. Following the meeting on 22nd March, a draft programme has been put together for the 2016 competition. Following discussion it was agreed that the draft programme be revised to provide 4 events plus 2 relays at each session (revised programme is attached). The 800m and 1500m events will take place at Workington on Friday 29th January, Sessions 1-8 at Copeland on 6th/7th February and Sessions 9-16 on 27th/28th February at Kendal.
9. **Diddy League Secretary:** There has been a misunderstanding with the booking for round 1 at Penrith on 25th April and Julie is trying to rearrange the south gala at Kendal. Round 2 will be held at Workington and Kendal with round 3 taking place at Penrith and Workington. Penrith has acquired a new starting system. The venues for future diddy league competitions may need to be reviewed once the new pool at Workington is ready.
10. **Masters Secretary:** No report
11. **County Welfare Secretary:** No report.
12. **County Volunteer Co-ordinator:** Helen reported that John Freestone has presented the Contemporary Issues seminar for those officials needing to relicense. Helen is busy updating the current list of officials.
13. **Any Other Business:**
14. The constitutional rules are still being looked at by the NWR rules committee.
15. NWR has now decided it is not necessary to provide a set number of officials per swims for the NWR championships.
16. NWR has an Investment Fund of £50k and is available for any club to apply for funding. £34k has already been allocated.
17. The Regional Club Development Group has taken over the role of the Swim 21 panel. A representative from Cumbria is sought to sit on the group. **ACTION – Nomination required to sit on this group.**
18. The NWR Masters championships are taking place at Blackpool on 11th July and the NWR Disability championships at Knowsley on 5th July.
19. The Inter-Association competition will take place at Wigan on Sunday 22nd November with 2 x 3 hour sessions, ages will be at 31st December 2015. Age groups will be 11/under, 12, 13 and 14 and the events will be 100m Bk/Bst/Fly/Fc and 200m Bk/ Bst/Fly/Fc and 200m IM.
20. John Sinclair reported that both lead water polo coaches at Carlisle Aquatics have resigned as from 30th April and the team has withdrawn from National League 1.
21. Congratulations to Workington ASC on achieving Swim 21 status last week.
22. A number of officials have been asking about purchasing Cumbria polo shirts. Nicola Stephenson from Copeland ordered a supply just before the age groups. **ACTION – speak to Nicola about making a further order for any officials wanting a polo shirt.**
23. The next meeting will take place on Sunday 14th June at Wigton Rugby Club at 10.30am

The meeting closed at 12.25pm