

PRESTON SWIMMING CLUB

Minutes of meeting held on Tuesday April 17th 2007 at Fulwood Leisure Centre

Present

<i>President</i>	J. Pratt
<i>Chairman</i>	P. Mason
<i>Vice Chair</i>	J. McLeish
<i>Hon. Sec.</i>	C. Billington
<i>Treasurer</i>	A. Bradshaw
<i>M'ship Sec</i>	D. De Nooijer
	J. Holden
	J. Jackson
	J. McGinty
	I. Fielding
	J. Smith
	K. Poole
	D. Graveson

Apologies

<i>Synchro Sec</i>	S. Todd
<i>Swimming Sec</i>	P. Todd
<i>Biathlon</i>	B. Haggerty
<i>Water Polo</i>	S. Davison
	M. Chestnut
	A. Rainford
	P. Todd
	D. Fairhurst

2. Minutes of Previous Meeting

Proposed Jim Pratt

Seconded Ian Fielding

3. Matters Arising

(Please also refer to the action sheet)

A letters and notices have been drafted for the increase in teaching fees and should be posted and sent out this weekend. Pre-MDS are included in the increase.

With regard to higher level coaches' course, this is available to other coaches if Dave Fairhurst doesn't go on it.

Jill has obtained a cabinet from work which is in the process of being upgraded. The Committee thanked Jill and her company Goss.

Paul Watson is in the process of ordering an underwater camera.

The cost of travel to meets will be considered for next season

Christine has still to sort out the pictures for the sponsors.

There has been a lack of response for a sub committee for the internal galas; Christine is to personally approach people with a suggestion that a meeting be held with prospective parents and Paul Todd.

4. Correspondence

The Insurance policy has been received and posted on both notice boards.

The Speedo AGM letter has been given to Dave Fairhurst.

Dave passed on the Speedo affiliation fee letter to Christine to send with fee.

Peter Mason read out the correspondence received from the A.S.A regarding the complaint on behalf of Ruth van Mierlo. (On file)

Pete Mason has drafted a response to the A.S.A. and will supply a copy of the previous months minutes to the A.S.A. that include discussion on the matter.

A letter of complaint was read out from the Chief Coach concerning an incident that occurred at West View. (On file) The matter regarded the movement of a swimmer by the chief coach to club swimming.

A number of questions were asked regarding the incident. Peter Mason will take advice on the matter.

5. Swim 21

Swim 21 is in progress. Julie Jackson and Sarah Darragh are working together on this.

6. Reports

6.1 Swimming Report (Chief Coach)

In the absence of the Chief Coach Christine read out the report

The club attend the Lancashire age group and youth meet at Manchester Aquatics over 2 weekends 10th 11th 17th & 18th March.

Having had time to reflect on the meet I must take my hat off to all who attended the swimmers performances was first class with over 70% PBs long course. We produced 135 top 8 places of which we had 57 podium places 21 gold 21 silver 15 bronze.

As a club we finished second to City of Salford and stayed in front of some formidable opposition such as Manchester Aquatics, Bolton Metro this proves what strength in depth we have at this club and hopefully will continue to improve

I don't usually single out individual performances in my report but special praise must go to Daniel Sliwinski our Boys Captain on breaking the Junior British 50 metre breast stroke record , and to have 3 bagcat winners from 1 club is very good but 3 winners from one family is special my congratulations go to Shauntelle Cameron & Justin Austin

Micro league Seals have had competed in 2 galas coming a very respectful 3rd both times against teams which are all A teams. This I believe shows our strength in depth we have within the club

Sharks start their campaign at Southport 13th May.

Peter Mason congratulated the swimmers and coaches' on their success.

6.2 Minutes of Coaches Meeting

No meeting

6.3 Water Polo Report

We had a good tour to the Isle of Man where we finished 2nd to Bristol. We are also in talks with the Isle of Man to possibly attend a tournament later in the year.

The new equipment has been ordered with the hats being received.

Jacqui Pugh has asked is she has to pay membership as she no longer has a child member and assists on a voluntary basis.

Could I have a couple of Saturday night sessions at Fulwood for the Lancashire team to train as we did last year?

The Committee agreed Stevens's request with a request that he puts up notices informing people of the alteration to the session.

Lauren McGinty has been selected for the GB Youth Squad. The Committee passed on its congratulations to Lauren. Christine suggested that some publicity be sought for the Water Polo players who have been selected.

6.4 Treasurer's Report

The accounts are being monitored and at this present time we have a deficit per month of approximately £350. The increase in teaching will bring in approximately £400 per month and should cover this deficit.

Angela requested that she needs to know the movement of swimmers between squads in order to monitor the amount of fees to be paid. A system was already set up to pass on the movement of swimmers.

Action 17/4/07/1 Julie will look into the passing of information.

Julie expressed her concerns at the lack of help for Sara on the desk.

Action 17/4/07/2 Christine will set up a notice for the web and notice boards

The pool time at West View on a Friday night may be permanently changed until 10 pm. This will reduce the cost.

After informal discussion concerning the Club Squad it may be necessary to put in new criteria in the future,

6.5 Membership Secretary's Report

The database was sent off the ASA together with a cheque for payment.

We are not blacklisted on the ASA website so all the membership must have been received on time.

We need to create procedures to communicate to us and Angela Bradshaw when a membership is cancelled. I phoned a lot of people at the end of March to chase their membership renewal and people were informed they had cancelled their membership.

My computer has is not working and the ASA database is on there, there will be a slight delay getting it back workable.

6.6 Publicity Officer's Report

The publicity is now being sent in by Tom Amos the UCLAN student. Diane has had a problem with obtaining information. Christine has passed on Diane's home and work e-mail address to all the coaches and relevant people so that they can pass on any information to Diane.

6.7 Synchronised Secretary's Report

No Report

6.8 Biathlon Report

No Report

7. Sub-Committees

9.1. Fundraising Sub-Committee

Two bag packing dates have been organised by Karen Pool. One is on the 5th May at Sainsbury's and the other is on the Spring Bank holiday Monday at Booths. Karen has put up a list for volunteers on both notice boards. The first bag packing is to pay back the costs from the Christmas Day out.

Peter Mason is looking into a Government scheme that will match an amount of funding obtained from a sponsor.

9.2 Events and Social Sub-Committee

Andy Bradshaw is to be approached with a view to holding a summer fund raising event.

10. A.O.B

A complaint is still ongoing regarding an incident that occurred at West View. The complaint is still in the hands of the Welfare Officer. The situation is being monitored by appropriate persons. It is the intention of the welfare officer to speak to all the children with regard to bullying and behaving appropriately in the changing rooms. An issue linked to the incident is still in the process of being dealt with.

Another complaint is being addressed with a panel hearing with the agreement of all parties. Peter is to speak personally to the parents.

The balcony closure at Fulwood Leisure Centre is to be reviewed. Currently the feedback from the coaches' is positive.

A suggestion of regular meetings with 2/3 delegated parents and coaches or committee is being looked into; this will keep the parents informed and give them an opportunity to become involved.

Action 17/04/07/3 Peter Mason to update on progress of this

The minutes from Committee meetings are to be posted on the website. Matters relating to private matters regarding individuals will be omitted from the minutes posted.

Jim McLeish asked if any of the Preston Sports Awards winners have progressed to the Lancashire Sports Awards. Peter has no information on this at the present time.

Julie Smith has been approached by the manager of West View concerning life guard cover. It is possible that the life guard courses taken by members may not have been adequate to provide cover. The advice given at the time was that they would be adequate.

Action 17/04/07/4 John McGinty is to look into the matter

10. Next Meeting

Meeting finished at 9.00pm. The date of the next meeting is scheduled to be on May 8th

Number	Action	Owner	Progress	Status
11/04/06/2	Costing of camera/coaching	JM	urgent	
7/11/06/2	Course List	DF		
9/01/07/4	Article for Leisure/Swimming partnership	PM/DG		
13/02/07/4	Sub Committee for Competitions	CB		
13/02/07/5	Letter of thanks for Total Bitumen	CB		
13/03/07/1	Pictures/letters to sponsors	CB		
13/03/07/2	Van Miero/ASA letter to be sent	PM		
17/04/07/1	Passing of swimmer movements	JJ		
17/04/07/2	Help for Sara/website/notice board	CB/JJ		
17/04/07/3	Review of balcony/parent meetings.	PM		
17/04/07/4	Coaches qualifications	CB		

