



HERTFORDSHIRE AMATEUR SWIMMING ASSOCIATION

(County Association of ASA East Region)

Minutes of the Annual Council Meeting held at the Welwyn Civic Centre on 1 July 2009.

PRESENT: Mrs J Evans (President) and G Chivers (Finance Manager).

Management Board members: A Bowell, Mrs J Cook, J C Hunter, P Jackson, I W Mackenzie, Mrs S Mackenzie, D Milton, B Thompson and J Wardley.

Past Presidents: Mrs K Huckle and Mrs R Nodder.

Eight delegates representing eight clubs.

Five non-voting attendees.

Prior to the commencement of the meeting, in the absence of the Management Board Chairman, Ian Mackenzie nominated Mrs Jane Evans (President) to chair the meeting. This proposal was seconded and carried unanimously.

1. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS ANNUAL COUNCIL MEETING

Copies of the minutes of the Annual Council Meeting held on 11 December 2007 had been circulated with the agenda and were agreed as a correct record.

2. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE 2007 ACM MINUTES

There were none.

3. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence had been received from M Boon (Past President), D Cook (Past President), S Freeman (Past President) and I J Watson (Management Board Chairman).

Apologies were also received from the delegates of Aqualina (Stevenage), Hertford, Hertfordshire Schools, Berkhamsted Barracudas and Ware clubs.

4. ANNUAL REPORT 2008/9

The meeting received the Report of the Management Board and adopted it unanimously.

The meeting recorded its thanks to Ian Watson for willingly and competently filling the gap left on the resignation of the Association Secretary. His hard work has been appreciated by the Board.

The meeting recorded the wonderful achievement of the county having five athletes representing the country at the Olympic Games in Beijing.

5. FINANCIAL REPORT 2008/2009

Copies of the balance sheet and associated trading accounts for the year ending 31st March 2009, which are currently being examined, had been circulated with the agenda. The meeting unanimously adopted them as submitted, subject to the Management Board ensuring the outcome of the examination.

6. CONDITIONS

Nothing reported or submitted.

7. ALTERATIONS TO CONSTITUTIONAL RULES

The proposals for the alterations to the constitutional rules were adopted as below.

a) Rule 20.9 - Management Board vacancies

Delete all of the present wording and substitute "Any casual vacancy occurring by resignation or otherwise may be filled by the Management Board, but any member so chosen shall retire at the next Annual Council Meeting and shall be eligible for election at that meeting. Any person so elected at an Annual Council Meeting shall take office immediately for the remainder of the term of office, on the same basis as the original appointment."

b) Rule 24.4 – Absence from Standing Committees

Insert a new clause “Any elected member of a Standing Committee who is absent from three consecutive meetings between two consecutive Annual Council Meetings, without having received leave of absence or giving an explanation accepted as valid by the Management Board, shall be deemed to have vacated his seat.”

c) Rule 27.1 – Attendance of President and President Elect at Standing Committees

Insert a new clause “The President and the President Elect shall be invited to attend meetings of all Standing Committees, with neither the obligation to attend nor the power to vote.”

d) Rule 27.5 – Quorum at Standing Committee meetings

Insert the words shown underlined “One half of those entitled to attend and vote, excluding the Executive Officers, shall form a quorum at any meeting.”

8. **INSTALLATION OF PRESIDENT**

Mr Derek Milton (Welwyn Garden S.C.) was installed as President for 2009-10.

A Past President’s pin and certificate were presented to the outgoing President, Mrs Jane Evans.

9. **PRESIDENT’S PLATE**

The President’s Plate was awarded to Mr Mike Boyce. He was also awarded his Silver Pin.

10. **WILKINSON SWORD**

This was awarded jointly to Adam Brown, Richard Charlesworth and Andrew Hunter.

11. **ELECTION OF OFFICERS AND MANAGEMENT BOARD MEMBERS**

The following, being the only nominations received, were declared elected for 3 years:

ELECTED MEMBERS

Mrs J Evans	City of St Albans ASC	Past President
Mr J C Hunter	Hatfield SC	Past President
Mr I W Mackenzie	Hoddesdon SC	Past President
Mr D Milton	Welwyn Garden SC	

12. **APPOINTMENT OF FINANCIAL EXAMINER**

Mr Bruce Weir ACA had been proposed by the Management Board and was unanimously elected.

13. **VERIFICATION OFFICER**

The Chairman thanked Mrs J Cook who had acted as the Scrutineer at the meeting.

There being no further business the Chairman declared the meeting closed.

Signed Date
Approved by Hertfordshire ASA Council