

GRANTHAM SWIMMING CLUB

Minutes of Meeting Held on Tuesday 1st November 2005

Present: C. Dowd, S. Gould, B. Gibson, M. Potter, E. Perkins, C. Connors, L. Simpson

Parent Representation: Non in attendance.

1. **Apologies:** I. McCallin, T. Ogle, A. Williamson, A. Parkin, J. Bowen

Parent Representation Apologies: K. Mason, K. Warner

2. **Minutes of Last Meeting:** The minutes of the last meeting were discussed and all ok also abridged version ok.

It was confirmed in the Club Rules at our last meeting that there had to be a quorum of the committee in attendance to hold a meeting and make any decisions; this stands at 33%.

3. **Matters Arising:-**

The swimming groups have been renamed to A, B, Junior A, Development and Senior squads.

The fitness sessions has now been held and went very well. There were 34 in attendance on the night and another session has been planned for January 2006. Some parents said they would like more notice of the next session.

Review of the disciplinary meeting to be ratified at the AGM.

Code of Conduct Procedure:- Sacha and Robert Oxborough were not in attendance at this meeting so could they please bring this to our next meeting.

Software Upgrade: Rachel was not in attendance this evening so Stu will speak to her to get an update of the situation.

4. **Parent Representation Via Stu:**

There is apparently a delay in people's cheques being paid into the bank. We need a deputy to do the banking, Stu stated that Vicky had volunteered to help, if required.

Payment: Our preferred method of payment would be standing order only (you always get the discounted rate if paying this way). All new swimmers will be asked to pay this way in future.

Minutes of September meeting not put on the board. (They were but had obviously been removed by someone and not returned to the board). A decision was made that all signs in future that are placed on the noticeboard a copy should also be made and kept in the cupboard under the stairs.

5. **Coaches Report:** Sacha did not attend so no report this month.

6. **Club Championships/80th Anniversary:** Working Party are Kevin Potter, Stu Gould, Emmajane Perkins and Rachel Williams.

The Swimshop has been organised for the Club Championships by Vicky Gould through Allens Swimwear.

We need some sponsorship to purchase new trophies to fill the gaps where there are none at present.

Stu has spoken to the Meres about PA System.

80th Anniversary Gala/Party: Swimming hats, T. Shirts, medals and trophies have been ordered for the Club Championships and the 80th Anniversary Gala. T. Shirts will be presented to swimmers who have entered the Club Championships ONLY.

18th December – Short fun gala, presentation evening in bar in Meres Leisure Centre - @ 150 people, disco booked and small buffet (to be arranged). Spot prizes to be organised. Programme to be organised by training team.

7. **Consultation Document:** We have received about 30 replies so far, Stu will collate all information for our next meeting and present at the AGM. (Mandy to place a sign on the board stating that anyone who has a consultation form and not returned it please do so by Monday 21st November.

8. **Club Captains:** It has been decided who the new Club/Junior/Fenland Captains are and they will be announced at the AGM when they will take over the positions.

A vote of thanks should be given to the outgoing captains for their support over the past years.

9. **Officers to be elected at AGM:** President, Fixtures Secretary, Hon. Secretary, four committee members.

White Officials Organiser: Kevin Potter has stated that he would like to stay on as White Officials organiser.

Vicky Gould has taken over the organising of all Open Meets.

10. **Treasurer's Report:** Bank statement request to be fortnightly to help ratify the books.

Louise has requested that Rachel inform her of any new swimmers or those that have left. They have agreed this be done on a quarterly basis.

11. **Sponsorship:** Melton Mowbray Building Society is to be approached by Stu about sponsorship for the Club Championships.

12. **Any Other Business:**

The Location for the AGM has been changed by the Meres, it is now being held in the Trophy Room Bar.

Collette Guy has forwarded to Mandy a list for the "Role of the Club Captain" Mandy will let the new captains have a copy.

Mandy stated that we need some more headed paper ordering, she was asked by the committee to get a price and bring it back to our next meeting.

Sacha would like all swimmers to have drag shorts, Yellow with GSC or Grantham on the back in black. Emmajane will try to find a supplier and get a price.

Refunding of training fees – this was discussed and the committee decided that when the trainees have completed 26 hours of assistance to the club after they have completed their qualification then we will refund there fees, a copy of there qualification would be needed by the club. Louise will amend her form for submitting to her for refunding such fees.

Photo Board for committee – Stu will start to organise this, so please be aware that he will be bringing his camera to the club to take photos!!

The problem of Ivan sending sniping emails to all committee members criticising Mandy and Kevin was brought up. Stu has urged Ivan to stop it with immediate effect and advised him that if he has a problem with anybody please sort it out with each individual concerned and not to use the committee. The committee agreed unanimously that this was out of order and must stop.

13. **Welfare Officer/Child Protection Officer:** Emmajane has attended a course run by the ASA, this has highlighted a lot of areas that we need to review.

CRB checks are ongoing.

Parent Code of Conduct: This was discussed to bring in alongside the swimmers code of conduct.

The meeting Closed at 10.03 pm.

Date of the Next Meeting is Tuesday 29th November 2005 at 7 pm in the Meeting Room at the Meres Leisure Centre.