

**London Swimming Management Board Minutes
Tuesday 6 January 2009,
UEL Stratford Campus**

Present: Vernon Davies, Richard Whitehead, Den Collen, Jean Cook, Stephen Baker, Colin Robson, Dil Akbar, Kay Grimshaw, Jackie Bedford, Michelle Weltman
In attendance: Colin Brown, Gita Sheth

1) **Apologies for absence** were received from Christine Goodair, Kevin O'Brien and Jean Scott

2) **Minutes of Board Meeting 18/11/08**
These were approved.

3) **Matters Arising from the minutes – there were none**

4) **SCM 6/12/08 and Appointment of Chair**
Minutes of the SCM were received and noted for accuracy.

Vernon Davies explained the uncertainty regarding 'term of office' following discussions with the asa (ref his E-mail of 20/12/08 to The Board). Notwithstanding these concerns it was decided to proceed with advertising as soon as possible with interviews of prospective candidates late February/Early March.

5) **ASA Board Representative Report**
Kay Grimshaw reported on matters that were discussed at the asa Board.

Among them was a presentation by Yvette Heywood on volunteering, temporary membership of the asa, a new e-learning project, and the asa branding.

6) Finance Officers Report & Indicative Budget

Richard Whitehead presented this to the board which was received and discussed. It was decided that due to the fact that some major funding figures were yet to be ascertained that this would be brought back to the board at its March meeting for final approval but in the meantime the F&A sub-committee would review in more detail some of the issue areas prior to the March meeting.

A vote of thanks was expressed by the Board to Ben and Richard for all their hard work.

7) Directors Report

Colin Brown presented his report to the board.

Stephen Baker asked about any news on item 7 the Waterpolo coach, CB to chase up.

Jackie Bedford reported that the first day of operation for the mobile pool had gone well, and things were running well.

8) Swimming Times Survey draft reply

Colin B presented the question that had been asked of all parties as regards the re-design of Swimming Times. Board Members should send any feedback back to CB by 8 Jan.

9) Trophy Secretary's Report

This was received with thanks to Francis Prentice for all her work.

It was also agreed to fund the costs set out in the report which totalled £60.

10) Affiliations

Vernon told the board that Cheam Marlins had merged with Barracuda, and would be called Cheam Marcuda, and had submitted a request for change of name. This was agreed.

'Ortus Londinium' had been affiliated by the East Region. It was felt that London had not been consulted about this and that

it contravened the asa guidance about clubs names reflecting their geographic locations, since the club was NOT located in London. A formal letter of complaint was to be made to the asa.

11) Olympic Legacy (Stephen Baker)

Stephen presented to the Board his idea for the board to set up a committee/ task force to come up with a scheme of ideas to engage the young people in swimming clubs through the vehicle of the Olympics and ensure some human legacy. He had a few ideas designed to engage the whole of the sport throughout the Capital. Some of them are hearts and minds, others are more physical.

Board members should gather ideas for the next meeting.

12) Report ASATWPC 5/12/08

Noted

13) AOB

Kay Grimshaw raised concerns from the Coaches forum about the London Talent Development Officer . Colin B would raise the matter with Nick Sellwood and cc to Anne Adams-King.

Meeting finished at 6pm

14) Date of Next Meeting 9th February 2009