

Birmingham Marlins Committee Meeting Minutes.

22nd January 2021 20:00

Venue: Online.

In Attendance – Dave, Karen, Alex, Manish, Steve, Mike and Judy

Apologies – Rachel

Minutes of Last meeting and Matters Arising from Previous Minutes – No matters arising, and minutes accepted.

Treasurers Report

-£2340.00 - 78 memberships received, slightly lower than we expected but not surprising out of approx. 115 potential members. Some swimmers perhaps lost due to current conditions but mainly people have gone off to university. We are in very good condition compared to other swimming clubs.

- Approximately £8243.00 in the bank account. Additionally, £350.00 in cash, plus cheques.

-Swim England invoice not paid yet, £1426.20 to pay. This covers everyone expect two people who need to provide Karen with further information for processing. A couple of others may also be late payments. A couple of people have not paid but have been registered anyway, due to involvement in helping club.

-Swim England Fees collected totalling £2340.00.

-Llandudno cancellation refunds - £2400.00 to pay out. Coach fee has been requested to hold over until 2022, awaiting reply.

-Easy fund-raising total has raised £119.00 so far.

-All swimmers monthly fees on hold until swimming recommences.

-Money raised from Christmas raffle totalling approximately £97.00.

-Money outstanding from t-shirts/bags £50

Membership

– Combined Marlins membership and Swim England fees 78 members.

- Paperwork has been submitted to Swim England. Invoice not received yet perhaps Feb or March.

- Updated and legal from our side.

- Swim England fees - everyone registered as Cat 1 for now until competitive swimming recommences. A handful registered as Cat 2 or Cat 3 depending on dual registration, role and age. Lots of hard work by Karen and Dave to complete this process.

- No insurance, no swimming for those that haven't paid, emails sent out.
- Renewals included an extra £8 regional fee per swimmer which was not very clear from Swim England. Covered by the buffer payment from membership fees.

Head Coach Report

- Online coaches' courses have been completed by Karen And Steve during lockdown.
- Returned to swimming for 3 weeks in December.
- Now awaiting Government decision on when we are safe to return to swim.
- Life guarding courses on hold until safe to commence. Teacher possibly furloughed at the moment. Everything on hold.
- Head coach report, and Birmingham Marlin trophy winners awarded before Christmas will be put on the website shortly.
- Karen will send out email/newsletters and try to motivate the swimmers through lockdown.

Championships 2021

- TBC awaiting competition calendar and swimmer's fitness to improve. Ongoing.

Return to Swimming

- New Health Forms expected to be completed as per Swim England requirements.
- Possibly further risk assessments will be needed to be completed when more information received.
- Hopefully risk assessments completed before this lockdown will still stand.

Swim Mark

- Dave will continue to work hard on this although Swim England staff on furlough. This opens up funding opportunities for us. Perhaps two thirds through the process. Progress to be checked.

Swim Camps

- Llandudno 17/2/21 cancelled due to Covid restrictions.
- Rearranged for February 2022.
- Swimmers not officially told yet; email will be sent out by Karen shortly.
- Decision on whether to refund everybody and start from scratch or roll over to 2022.
- Swimmers will be given option via email sent out.

- Email response from swimmers whether to refund or roll over needs to be sent to Alex directly with Karen copied in to email for 2022 confirmed attendance.
- Coach company not responding to email at the moment possibly furloughed. Asked them to roll over to 2022 and hopefully keep price the same awaiting email.
- Perhaps pay hotel deposit by credit card so covered.
- Pool normally send invoice four weeks before camp and we pay on return. Forms for 2022 received ready to proceed when needed.
- October swim camp – TBC – see what happens going forwards. Look at again on next agenda.

Fund Raising

- Although options always being looked for, with the difficult problems faced by all there are not many opportunities at this current time to pursue.
- Christmas raffle and Easy fund raising only income at the moment.
- Easter chocolate raffle considered. Recommended tickets sold on the swim shop for £1 a ticket.
- Family Quiz competition suggested. Possibly £5 per family. To be investigated further.

AOB

- Nothing to discuss.

Meeting called to a close by Dave.

Next Meeting date: 26th March 2021 – 19:30.



Thanks for the entertainment Steve!