



Congleton Amateur Swimming Club

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting

Held on 26th June 2017 at Congleton Leisure Centre

Present:

Bill Wolstencroft, Chair
Kath Bratt, Treasurer
Sue Conway, Secretary
Shiela Wharton, club member
Evette Ryio, reception volunteer
Anna Hulse, parent of a member
Heather Pearce, parent of a member
Diane Kemp, swimming teacher
Vicky Rhodes, swimming teacher and training officer

The chair opened the meeting by welcoming all in attendance, who introduced themselves.

1. Apologies

Lee Malkin (Everybody Sport and Recreation)

2. Minutes of the last AGM (17 October 2016)

The minutes of the last AGM held on 17 October 2016, were accepted as a true record.

3. Matters arising from the last meeting

There were no matters arising.

4. Chair's report

The chair, Bill Wolstencroft, gave his report to the meeting. The club began the year with uncertainty. Everybody Sport and Recreation (ESAR), the provider of the leisure centre, were saying that they wanted to take all lessons in-house.

Using contacts with the MP for Congleton, and others, wthe chair had a meeting with Kris Sankey, ESAR Aquatics Manager and Cllr Andrew Kolker, chair of ESAR. They thought our club deserved special consideration because



it is entirely volunteer-run and led and is not competitive. They agreed to change the arrangement, so that the club is now permitted to encourage children to be safe in water and to enjoy swimming in a social and participatory environment.

The club kept prices the same, which has meant dipping into reserves, but the club continues.

The chair and secretary, after four and a half years in role, want to stand down. With the club potentially not being able to replace the two officers, the chair and secretary went to see ESAR and explained the club was running out of leadership and they agreed to work with the club. The result of the elections below show that this proved not to be necessary.

It was with great sadness that the club learned of the death of Peter Axson. Peter, with a group of friends, had taken over the running of the club in 1974 and continued until recently, when the current officers took over. It is without doubt that the existence of the club is down to Peter and there is a huge number of people who learned to swim, with his guidance including parents of current members.

5. Treasurer's report

The treasurer presented the accounts which show a reduction in reserves of £800 since the 2015-16, now being at £8,600. Over the coming months, the financial situation needs to be carefully monitored. If the reserves start to go down there may need to be a revision in pricing or the club will need to look to raising money elsewhere.

There were no questions to the treasurer.

6. Independent Examiner

The examiner of the accounts for 2016-17 was Lesley Lee who will examine them again at the next year end.



7. Election of officers

Role	Name	Proposed	Seconded	Result
Chair	Anna Hulse			Volunteered – so accepted by the meeting
Vice-chair	Brian Leese	Kath Bratt	Vicky Rhodes	Accepted by the meeting
Treasurer	Kath			
Secretary	Heather Pearce			Volunteered – so accepted by the meeting
Other committee members	Vicky Rhodes			Volunteered – so accepted by the meeting
	Diane Kemp			Volunteered – so accepted by the meeting
	Jyosna Lee			Not in attendance
	Evette Ryio			Volunteered – so accepted by the meeting. Evette offered to take on the Facebook page

8. Resolutions

i) Not required

9. Any other business

There was no other business

10. Date of the next meeting

A Wednesday in June 2018 – date to be confirmed

The next management committee will be held on Thursday 13th July 7:30pm at Anna's house 63 Park Lane, Congleton

The meeting was closed at 8:08pm.