



Swim England East Region
Minutes of the Masters Committee
7th September 2019

Present	Sharon Perry (SP)	Masters Regional Manager
	Paul Clarke (PC)	Bedfordshire Rep
	Sally Lelean (SL)	Norfolk Rep
	Doug Drake (DD)	Essex Rep
	Ian Mackenzie (IM)	Substitute Hertfordshire Rep
	Joan Wheeler (JW)	Substitute Management Board Rep
	Dave Robinson (DR)	Specialist & Substitute Suffolk Rep

Also Present: Amy Bryant (AB), Regional Development Officer

19/26		Apologies
	19/26.1	Emma Howard (EH), Suffolk Rep; Louise Hughes (LH), Hertfordshire Rep; Gerry Metcalf (GM) Management Board Rep
19/27		Declarations of conflict of interest
	19/27.1	None.
19/28		Previous minutes
	19/28.1	The minutes of the previous meeting were agreed as a true record.
19/29		Matters arising
	19/29.1	Decathlon Competition 2018 – Some awards handed out at Essex Masters Competition, winners are proving hard to track down, remaining awards would be given out as soon as possible.
19/30		Regional Championships
	19/30.1	<p>Entries for the regional championships on 29th September were going well, entries would close on 16th September. An 800m event had been added to the programme and four heats had been filled. Final timings would be confirmed once entries had closed. DR reported he had plenty of officials after a recent reminder was circulated.</p> <p>ACTION: AB to post on social media regarding closing date for entries. ACTION: SL to finalise arrangements for the championships.</p>
19/31		Inter-County Competition 2019
	12/31.1	Bury St-Edmunds Leisure Centre had been booked for 10 th November for the Masters Inter-County competition with appointments made for AOE and results. Warm up would be 12.30pm for a 1.1.5pm start. Most counties expected to submit a team. Counties all required to submit two officials.

19/32		Decathlon Competition
	19/32.1	The decathlon competition for 2019 had some new names in the top three, the current standings were read out to the committee for top men and women and the top men's and women's teams.
19/33		Masters Manager Position
	19/33.1	SP had previously advised the committee of her intention to step down at the East Region ACM on 14 th September. However, she would continue to support both the Regional Masters Championships on 29 th September and the Masters Inter-Counties on 10 th November before completely stepping back.
	19/33.2	There had been no interest received from anyone regarding taking on the role of Masters Manager. All were encouraged to think of suitable people and direct them to AB (amy.bryant@swimming.org) if interested in finding out more. AB also suggested that a new manager could look at ways to split responsibilities with the committee to help share the workload. No regional Masters events would run in 2020 without a manager in position. ACTION: All to promote Masters manager vacancy.
19/34		Budget
	19/34.1	The 2019/20 budget was on track so far but the most expenditure was yet to come with the Regional Masters Champs and the Inter Counties yet to happen.
19/35		County Reports
	19/35.1	Two swimmers from Bedfordshire had attended the World Masters Championships in South Korea.
	19/35.2	Norfolk held a Masters event in May where two British Records were broken.
	19/35.3	Essex have planned their Masters event for 7 th March 2020.
	19/35.4	Suffolk had three swimmers attend the World Masters Championships and the county would be running a Masters event at Newmarket in April 2020.
	19/35.5	Hertfordshire's county event in March 2019 had been changed and worked well, the same format would be repeated in March 2020.
19/36		Events 2020
	19/36.1	The committee discussed potential venues for Regional Masters Champs and Masters Inter-Counties in 2020. These events will only be confirmed once a regional Masters Manager is in place to oversee the running of both events.
	19/36.2	A development day is in the current 2019/20 Masters plan and budget which AB would help to organise. Potential dates and content were discussed. ACTION: AB to organise Masters development day for early 2020.



19/37		AOB
	19/37.1	The committee thanked SP for all of her hard work in her three years as regional Masters Manager.
19/38		Next Meeting
	19/38.1	The date of the next meeting will be decided once a new Masters Manager is in post.