

**NORTHERN WAVE SWIMMING CLUB
COMMITTEE MEETING
23 January 2008 at 19:30 at Trevor's House**

Present

Trevor Burchick, John Casson, Mike Felse, Hana Kubakova, Edwin Lace, Mike Lane, Mikey Maxwell, Steve Tomkins

Minutes of last meeting

Discussed and accepted. The follow items are carried forward as not yet finalised:

- 10th anniversary dinner – Mike L
- Join IGLA – Trevor
- Pool party - Trevor
- Work on kit design and sourcing for 10 year anniversary limited edition – Trevor

Welcome leaflet

Debate over the wording used for concessions. Hana thinks it should apply to any student, not just full time ones. How do we police those claiming concessionary rates? We will do some research on what other similar clubs charge and if necessary propose a motion for the next AGM. Change the wording in the leaflet to say 'ask about concessions'.

Women's support

Further to suggestion that club should pay the ASA membership for a couple of female swimmers that needed membership to compete in Amsterdam. Some objection to funding this in full as takes away any sense of value from the member. How should we use the grant money we have received to encourage more women into swimming. ASA membership can be subsidised for the two concerned if necessary. Allow a number of free weeks to encourage new women into the club.

Free entry for 'refugees'

Started as an informal scheme. John would like to make this a more formal scheme. The people that have benefited so far reportedly say they feel so much part of a society. The individuals concerned simply could not afford to come in the absence of the free entry. Have a formal process where these people have to apply for free entry. This would be for a defined period of free entry. John Casson will put together a policy on the criteria for accepting people onto the scheme. This will be used as a pilot using grant money that has been obtained and will be evaluated once funds are exhausted.

EGLSF

Annual General Assembly in Rome. Does anyone want to go to represent the club? Renew our membership of EGLSF. Send an email to members to let them know we are a member club.

Coach for small pool

Hayley has volunteered to do this. Trevor will negotiate payment.

Training camp 2008

Mike Lane still trying to confirm most suitable dates. Timings awkward due to other events such as Fina World Championships. If necessary may have to get an external coach in.

Constitution

Long debate about the imposed conditions that do not really fit the ethos of our club. Possible solution would be to form Northern Wave as the main club with it's own set of rules and have Northern Wave Manchester as an ASA constituted 'subsidiary' for the benefit of competitive swimmers. Mikey will draft a constitution that meets ASA requirements and a general club set of rules. Trevor will investigate independent insurance for the non-ASA members.

Any other business

Need new straps for paddles on a Sunday night.

A member has requested 'hardship' consideration. He is currently paying full rate but is marked as concession. He should be told he is entitled to concession rate.

Still waiting for the cheque from LGF for our swim coach and 'refugee' programme grant.

Suggestions invited at next meeting about where to display all the club awards.