



**Swimming Metropolitan North East
Minutes - Management Committee Meeting
9 August 2017
Start 19.30pm at Belrose Bowling Club**

Subject	Details
Chair	Meeting opened at 19:30 pm with Judy Tier as the chair.
Apologies	David Beck, Molly Schafer, Graeme Field, Carol Quadrio, Ben Ramsden
In Attendance	Judy Tier, Bronwyn Hewish, Peter Shell, Dennis Gorrick, Cameron Gledhill, Amanda Vance, Ariel Darley
Minutes	Approved Minutes from previous meeting. Moved by Peter Shell; seconded by Dennis. Carried
Matters arising	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nil
Treasurer – Ariel Darley	<p>Ariel presented the attached financial reports – profit and loss and balance sheet. Ariel invited questions of and discussions concerning the accounts. None were forthcoming.</p> <p>She noted there were only 2 clubs still to affiliate and otherwise payments and forms were up to date.</p> <p>The Committee discussed the reasons for changing banks from Bendigo Bank. This discussion was carried over from previous meetings.</p> <p>It was unanimously decided to change banks.</p> <p>After investigating options Ariel presented two preferences: ANZ and Westpac.</p> <p>The Committee unanimously decided to move the banking to Westpac.</p> <p>The Committee unanimously decided to allow Dennis Gorrick and Amanda Vance to become signatories.</p> <p>Moved by Bronwyn Hewish and seconded by Cameron Gledhill.</p>
Development Committee Report – Cameron Gledhill	<p>Cameron presented a summary in David's absence.</p> <p>B & C numbers are at a stage where it was almost a little cumbersome to run them together. The Committee will review and look to options for next year for the best outcome.</p> <p>Ami Matsuo attended and was particularly engaging</p>

	<p>Ideas are being developed to improve the programme for next year. The programme may include nutrition (with the participation of a nutritionist who specialises in swimming), physiotherapy and chirotherapy and physiotherapy screens for smaller groups such as A squad.</p> <p>Nutrition would be a talk to parents.</p> <p>Look to develop a network so SMNE can provide access to professionals for clubs. Best vehicle would be development meets and education of parents around swimming progressions and how to be involved in swimming.</p> <p>The Committee also discussed other opportunities to engage parents such as at SMNE meets. Amanda and Bronwyn will speak to Sarah Koen at the small clubs forum on August 24 to see what NSW can offer our parents during warm up on 22 October.</p> <p>Cameron and David are planning for the next development squads and will put their proposal to the committee prior to the next meeting.</p>
<p>Competitions– Dennis Gorrick</p>	<p>For summer championships looking to again take longer events out of the longer days of competition to shorten the programme. The longer events will be run separately.</p> <p>Discussion of NSW competition discussion paper – Judy noted the comments and will respond to NSW by email: Cameron noted and Committee agreed that a positive of the proposal was that younger swimmers would have a focus up to the end of March which coincides with the beginning of their school swimming season.</p> <p>Older swimmers (17/18 year old girls and 18 year old boys) have no activity from October to March of the next year. They are not racing at any championships. This appeared to put these swimmers at risk of losing engagement at a critical time.</p> <p>NSW National prep meet is currently in March 2018.</p> <p>SMNE propose to put on a national qualifying meet in about February but the older swimmers would be outside national age.</p> <p>Cameron identified that there may be an opportunity to provide support and engagement for older swimmers during that period.</p> <p>Judy mentioned providing incentives for older swimmers to stay engaged such as overseas travel and participation in meets during that period December to February to keep them engaged and to try to maintain their involvement.</p> <p>Judy will email preliminary response to NSW. Further comments welcome.</p>

	<p>Area sizes – SMNE will not be given any more clubs as club movement will be in other areas.</p>
<p>Technical – Peter Shell</p>	<p>Congratulations to Ben Ramsden as he has been chosen as a TO to attend State Teams.</p> <p>Otherwise report deferred until the next meeting.</p>
<p>General Business</p>	<p>Welcome and thank you to Amanda and Cameron for joining the Committee.</p> <p>No news on the audit front.</p> <p>Note above agreement to move Banks.</p> <p>Amanda asked if SMNE would like a Facebook Page. Committee agreed to Amanda developing a page subject to privacy settings. Cameron and Amanda agreed to be administrators. No public comments would be possible, only private messaging.</p> <p>Small Clubs meeting 24 August at 7 to 9 pm – Living and Learning Centre, Lane Cove. Amanda and Bronwyn will be attending.</p>
<p>Next Meeting</p>	<p>Wed 11th October 2017</p>
<p>Meeting closed</p>	<p>9.15pm</p>
<p>President Approval (signed by secretary)</p>	