



**Swimming Metropolitan North East
Minutes - Management Committee Meeting
8th February 2017
Start 19.30pm at Belrose Bowling Club**

Subject	Details
Chair	Meeting opened at 19:30 pm with Judy Tier as the chair.
Apologies	Sunny Bidner, Lilian Washer, Graham Field
In Attendance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Judy Tier, Bronwyn Hewish, Ben Ramsden, Peter Shell, Dennis Gorrick, Molly Schafer, David Beck, Ariel Darley, Suzanne Brown
Minutes Matters arising	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Approved Minutes from previous meeting. Moved by Peter; seconded by Dennis. Carried • Judy had collected the financial documents last Thursday and given these to Ben who thought they were not in a state that would enable auditing. • Ariel agreed to conduct a preliminary review of the material and the online accounts and give feedback to the committee so a decision can be made by the end of next week on what professional assistance will be required so that the accounts can be finalised by the end of March. • No response from Adrian to Bronwyn's email. • Bronwyn will email member clubs to advise of positions vacant and to request expressions of interest. • Dennis to approach possible replacement for Treasurer.
Treasurer – Adrian Roestorf	Further action concerning audit, management and reporting discussed and attended to in General Business and above.
Development Committee Report – David Beck	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Failure of payment system affected approximately 140 entries for development squad attendees. • David is still undertaking reconciliation and following up outstanding payments. • This year pool prices are virtually the same so has booked PLC tentatively. David will discuss with the coaches and then finalise the programme. Unlikely to change. • Will look at reinstating PayPal. • Will continue with A squad. • B and C is two days • D and E one day • David to advise of dates when available that will include SNSW dates and the possibility of doing the Willoughby Meet again for B and C squads.

	<p>Moved by Molly, seconded by Dennis - carried</p>
<p>Competitions Report – Dennis Gorrick</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Speedo Heats: The swimmers had a good meet. A bit uncomfortable for parents. When not so hot will look at marshalling outside. • SMNE National Qualifying meet closes tonight. 26 February at PLC. Looking at starting at 7am for 8am start and finish at 10am. 6 lanes for competition and 1 for warm up and swim down. • Speedo finals are on 12 March. • Will publish on the website the criteria for qualification for Speedo finals. • Possible short course distance meet in early May. Decided to go forward with that. • 27 and 28 May will be short course championships - combined all ages. • Prior to the meeting, Dennis circulated the SNSW minutes of the meeting of the metropolitan competition review working party held on Saturday 14th January 2017, that he had attended. • SMNE smallest area by far. • It was estimated that 50% of SMNE swimmers would swim at area championships. Target by SNSW is 33% due to size of areas. • SNSW looking at changing boundaries to manage size of areas. • Area competitions: in order to manage timing it has been proposed that the meets would be split between 12 and under and 13 and over. Different focus. • This is likely to be brought in next year. Issue for SMNE is whether we adopt early. Given the challenges of the calendar, will proceed without the split between age groups this year. • New Calendar has been proposed. Speedo heats in October. Finals in December. Not yet formalised. • Aim to have a bit more competition in February and March. • Speedo finals in December. • Area Champs in February 12 and under. • SMNE will run in November, 13 and over champs. • State Age 13 to 18. • Changes primarily to 12 and under • Area size: SMNE is the smallest or possible there will be a 5th area. <p>Move by Suzanne and seconded by Peter Shell – carried.</p>
<p>Technical – Ben Ramsden</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ben again thanked Peter for his contribution. Working well as a team. • At SMNE Speedo Sprints, Marshalls and Check Starters worked really well together and were solution focused. • Peter passed one Check Starter. • Look at development for swimmers by handing to swimmers a sheet of paper with infractions and an official at the end of the pool dedicated to giving children feedback.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Short of assessors. • Need to try to encourage more assessors to train up. • Need more meet manager officials and announcers. • Member Clubs will be notified of need for volunteers. • Need to look at a better way of managing assessments of young adults. • Sign up genius difficult to manage at the business end and Ben looking at using a different platform for the next meet. • Marshall check starter course has been used by 19 people in the area and 90 across NSW. • SAL is going to use the timekeeping course. • SAL still haven't launched their platforms so very pleased to have gone ahead with our own online course. • SNSW has asked SMNE to nominate officials for technical official development. • Shortage of recorders will be an issue moving forward. <p>Moved by Molly, seconded by Suzanne - carried</p>
General Business	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Uniforms: David to manage junior and Suzanne the officials. Stocktake needs to be done and will be done for end of March. • Congratulations to Peter for achieving level 2 referee and Ben for level 2 starter. • Calendar to go up on the website. • Appointments: Uniform manager. • Dennis proposed and was given approval by the Committee to purchase Speedo Sprint merchandise. There were only a few items left at the end of the meet so the volume purchased by well estimated.
Next Meeting	5 April 2017
Meeting closed	9.25
President Approval	