

# Winsford Amateur Swimming Club

## Committee Meeting

8.00pm Wednesday 20th February 2019

Winsford Lifestyle Centre

	Comments	Action
1	<b>Chairs welcome and Apologies</b> Present: Barry Keeling, Helen Jones, Alison Oliver, Claire Brown, Julie Grindley, Sue Wright, Debra Thompson, Sarah Carss, Catharine Line, Kate Adamson, Suzanne Wilson Apologies: Lucie George, Adam Parkinson	
2	<b>Lesson Fees</b> Treasurer reports we are holding our own financially at the moment, with money in our current account, plus the ASA required slush fund, so can probably avoid fee increases. Barry reports we haven't been informed whether Brio have increased their lesson fees (WASC are not supposed to knowingly undercut Brio for lessons) Suzanne Wilson commented that there are still many parents paying the wrong amount for their swimmer - probably as a result of not increasing their standing orders after squad promotion. More worryingly there is a £1600 shortfall in payments, mainly from lessons swimmers. We need to find a way of getting these monies in, or of stopping those concerned from swimming if necessary.	BK to check whether Brio have increased fees  SW/SC to give BK a list of the main offenders
3	<b>Relationship with Brio</b> Barry recently had a meeting with Kerry Goryl from Brio, as a follow up on the Bromine switch. Brio are really happy with how things are going. After all that happened at the end of 2018, BK definitely felt this was a peacemaking meeting. Relationships now looking much more positive	
4	<b>Cheshires</b> The question had been raised as to whether the Cheshires could become a long course meet, as with all other counties. Alan Freeman was contacted about this, who informed us that Stockport, which is the only available 50m pool in the county, were charging £10,000 per weekend! This is obviously out of the question. As a side issue, they are going to incorporate the reverse 800/1500 from next year.	
5	<b>AOB</b> Clare Brown requested we purchase a new banner/flags/upstands etc to use for Arena League amongst other things. Helen mentioned that our club clothing supplier, Buccaneer, have a new website, making it much easier to order on-line. She has asked SC to be the co-ordinator between the club and Buccaneer to	BK to contact Simply Signs for quotes

	<p>introduce new clothing lines to improve the clubs presence and appearance at galas.  Suzanne Wilson raised the idea of any swimmers studying arts/design designing more clothing for the club, to make us look more cohesive poolside (still retaining Orange of course!)  We are re-introducing personalised hats, which Clare Lewis has agreed to co-ordinate. Alex is getting a trial hat to look at</p> <p>Debra Thomson raised the subject of swim clinics/technique days, after a very successful day in Oswestry with her girls. Can we do something similar at Winsford during the school holidays, utilising either an in-house coach, or one from outside.  Barry mentioned that the N Mids are looking to run sessions for younger swimmers, so maybe we could look at the older Juggernauts during Easter initially, moving to 2 or 3 per year if successful  Helen mentioned, that in the absence of a senior swim camp this year, the idea of a friendly gala in the Isle of Man was discussed, if there is a free weekend. Would be possibly looking at start of July, however, conscious that the independent schools break up earlier than the state schools, so this may be an issue.  Julie Grindley asked about booking Middlewich again for the Awards night. We could do with a bigger venue now ideally, but until we can find anywhere bigger, but just as cheap, it was agreed to book for 2020.</p>	<p>BK to contact Brio Northwich re. their function room. AO to look around for any suitable alternatives</p>
<p><b>6</b></p>	<p><b>Date of Next Meeting</b>  Around April/May, which will be the AGM</p>	