

Committee: Regional Coaches Forum
Venue: Royal Wolverhampton School
Time and Date: 11.00am / 11th September 2014

Present:

Adam Ruckwood	Carl Grosvenor	Mark Stowe
Rob Wells	Marc Foster	Greg Clarke
Dave Clarke	Fred Furniss	Alan Bircher
Mark Spackman	Liz Sykes	Jon Fletcher

Apologies: Jo Deakins, Alex Dallimore

Agenda Item	Details	Action
Minutes from last meeting	Agreed	All
Matters arising	<p>Discussion regarding swimmer movement protocol.</p> <p>Private schools are under private and confidential circumstances until the swimmer has said they are joining.</p> <p>Coaches agreed that they would request parents of said swimmer informed home club coach.</p>	All
Club Network updates	<p>WSC – MS informed us that the 8 lane pool was being brought to the Council and Council would be recommending it should be built. In addition MS informed that a successful movement from the Vision for Rio had taken place within the club.</p> <p>CoB- No further developments</p> <p>RWS – AGM on the coming weekend, RWS has applied to become a club programme not a squad. MS has been working with local clubs to get them on board.</p> <p>Wrekin College, DC– 2 clubs have united to become Telford Aqua. Shropshire struggling for pool/facilities with counties currently taking place at Wolverhampton.</p> <p>SoT GC – No further developments with networks since</p>	

	<p>the last meeting. Club will be withdrawing from leagues due to older swimmers leaving.</p> <p>ECT - AB informed the Titans LTS has started to bridge old gaps by linking with Shrewsbury / Whitchurch to feed swimmers once they've passed stage 7. AB also thanks MS for continued support from WSC regarding holiday swimmers.</p> <p>CoC AR- Working with Stratford on the MoU link and should be complete shortly.</p>	
<p>England Talent</p>	<p>FF Gave update on ET with the following information;</p> <p>Phase 1: Saturday 1st November, Wrekin College Swimmers + Staff selected (List attached) Boys 2001 / Girls 2002</p> <p>Phase 2: 2nd-4th January, Event basis Liverpool – 100/200 back + 50-200 free Coventry – Distance Free + IM Millfield – Fly + Breast No staff currently selected Boys 1999 / Girls 2000 (National time + 12month prior) (72 swimmers from phase 1)</p> <p>All swimmers who don't go move onto phase 2 will receive additional Day 29/30th Nov, this would be an education day.</p> <p>Phase 3: 6 weeks prior to London meet which will include 3 day camp + competition.</p> <p>FF – confirmed that coach education programme was being organised by Mike Parker and included 8 coaches. Two dates are already arranged: Fred – 20-22 November Ciaran – 4 Days during December</p>	
<p>Beacon Program Update</p>	<p>AR - Beacon starts Saturday 20th September DE+AR looking at additional resources and will update once they have confirmed.</p> <p>AR - Funding for the Beacon is until 2017 and informed us that CoC are ahead and would be sustainable. If the 50m pool shuts then beacon funding finishes but this should be outside of the 2017 funding bracket.</p> <p>FF – ECT removed due to travel times, FF will be contacting coaches as well as swimmers. Selections have been made and are attached</p>	

	<p>RW – MS confirmed that RWS would be using the beacon program for the coming season. RW thanked them for their support this year.</p>	
<p>Talent Development In West Midlands</p>	<p>RW- Gave an update on Talent Development. Coaches have been selected and include:</p> <p>Julie Shenton – Stafford Apex Marc Soulsby – Warley Wasps Stuart Kirk – Oldbury Ashley Cox – Boldmere Mark Wilmott – Wyre Forest Daniel Malcolm – Shrewsbury SC Adam Taylor – City of Birmingham Dean Barguss – Solihull SC Rikki Morris – City of Coventry SC Mike Cole – Stratford Andrew Eales – Nuneaton and Bedworth SC Mark Stowe – Worcester SC Alex Dallimore – City of Hereford</p> <p>The two mentors have been appointed: Adam Ruckwood and Ian Armiger.</p> <p>Target areas to be covered coaching philosophies, planning period, learning journey. Coaches will receive workshops, contact with mentors and this will be as interactive as possible.</p> <p>Regional Camps;</p> <p>FF – 2 camps for ages 10-12yrs (31st December) 21st December 2014 RWS 7th February Coventry Both camps will have 24 swimmers and selections are made from regional championships.</p> <p>FF – recorded a number of recommendations for the regional camps and these will be passed onto Jane Campbell:</p> <p>Head Coach: Marc Foster</p> <p>Group Coaches; Dave Clark or Rachel Reilly Mark Stowe Danny Malcolm Andrew Eales Chris Litter Stuart Kirk (Double up and also deliver nutrition)</p>	

<p>Regional Champs</p>	<p>LS – Confirmed that we had budgeted to have a zonal meet Jan 2015. The group suggested that LS ask to see if the meet date can be changed to fall within the potential National qualification time frame. Suggestion was near to the trials so coaches/swimmers could potentially work towards the same event timings.</p> <p>LS – Informed us that the OW event was cancelled as only 16 swimmers had entered. Clubs and forum have been asked why it wasn't supported. RW to send out survey forms again.</p> <p>LS – Also informed us if we didn't know that the SC information is up on the website.</p>	<p>LS / RW</p>
<p>AOB</p>	<p>The group had a lengthy discussion regarding national qualification period and ages. Also the fact that we as coaches can only plan for half a season. The outcome of ongoing meetings will hopefully be distributed to clubs and coaches shortly. LS+RW will look into and report back on any updates regarding home nation nationals / British nationals.</p> <p>Overseas Comp: AR- asked if as a group we found the competition beneficial and if we wanted to run this again. Positive feedback from all on the event in 2014. The group would like to run this event again.</p>	<p>AR</p>
<p>Next Meeting</p>	<p>8th January 2015 Coventry 11am</p>	