SCOTTISH AMATEUR SWIMMING ASSOCIATION

Minutes of the 17th Meeting of the Centenary Committee held on Saturday 26 September 1987 at the Scottish Sports Council Offices, Edinburgh.

PRESENT:

Mr P Heatly Chairman Mr W Black Secretary Mr A Taylor President Mr M Sheppard Treasurer Mr D McGillivray Vice President East District Mr G Philp Mr T Nichol East District Mrs H Brunton West District Mr L Taylor West District Mr P Smith Midland District Mrs R Hallam Minute Secretary

1 APOLOGIES:

No apologies were received.

2 MINUTES OF MEETING OF 29 AUGUST

These were approved as a correct record.

3 CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

The Chairman reported that unfortunately, a negative reply had now been received from the Palace with regard to royal patronage.

With regard to the LEN Congress, he confirmed that it was hoped a reception would be provided for delegates attending the dinner at Airth Castle and also that the Clipper Ship would be available at the Glasgow Garden Festival. This would enable a reception to be held on the ship on the Sunday but space could be a problem. However, other dining facilities were available on site.

The Chairman reported that he had attended all the meetings with Organising Committee Chairmen with the exception of the European Diving Cup, to discuss budgets.

4 SECRETARY'S REPORT

It was agreed that the Centenary Brochure should now be printed with the agreed alterations and with the inclusion of four pages of photographs at an additional cost of £900. It was hoped the brochure would be available for the Council meeting to be held on 11 October.

Edinburgh District Council have agreed to house an exhibition at the Royal Commonwealth Pool throughout 1988 and they need to be advised of the area required. A co-ordinator and receiving centre is required in Edinburgh and it was agreed that Mrs H McLeod-Bain be approached.

The Secretary reported that Mr Norman Sarsfield is to visit the Hospitality Imfrom 14/16 October to discuss the final arrangements.

Problems were still being experienced with regard to television coverage of events and specific directions were to be given to the Director of Swimming to arrange meeting with the BBC. The conflict arising from decisions being taken by ASF of GB also needed to be resolved.

The President and Secretary had met with I Macpherson of the Linen Bank and Chairman of the BOA Appeal who was in touch with STV.

Peter Bilsborough of Stirling University had agreed to undertake writing the history of the Association and will also assist in the preparation of the submission to the Scottish Educational Trust for funding. Information on the Association from 1914 to the end of the 1940s is limited and there is an urgent need for further information, particularly photographs, photocopied minutes, etc.

The subject of souvenirs was discussed and it was agreed that D McGillivray would co-ordinate this project and any quotations or suggestions should be sent to him direct.

5 TREASURER'S REPORT

The Treasurer reported that meetings had now been held with all Organising Committee Chairmen but that after some adjustments, the estimated deficit was still £39,000. Revised budgets were circulated to the Committee.

Water Polo 4 Nations

The budget has been adjusted to take account of accommodation but the anticipated cost for the purchase of new timing equipment may be offset by the provision of this equipment by the Scottish Sports Council.

European Diving Cup

No changes. The Organising Committee were to arrange for local advertising in the event programme. It was queried whether the estimated cost of £300 for 3 LEN delegates to attend was sufficient. The anticipated £6000 compensation for television coverage from the ASA would not now be forthcoming as the ASA event scheduled for that date had been cancelled. It was, therefore, agreed that th BBC should be approached with a view to televising the Diving Cup.

Centenary Dinner

No change. The Organising Committee should be confirming the final details, especially with regard to the possible requirement of speakers. The Secretary to discuss with Mr N Beattie.

AGM/Dinner Dance

In the absence of G Robb, final details could not be agreed. Mrs Hallam to contact G Robb for hotel arrangements, etc. Mrs Hallam to draft a letter to be sent to clubs with regard to the allocation of places at the dinner/dance.

LEN Congress

Speedo have agreed to host the Friday evening dinner at Airth Castle. No reply has yet been received from Arena with regard to the Saturday evening hospitality; Strathclyde Regional Council are to host the luncheon on Sunday.

8 Nations

It was queried whether the 3 referees required for Water Polo would be from the UK and it was also pointed out that it was not mandatory for the Water Polo LEN delegate to attend. The Organising Committee were asked to clarify the position with regard to these queries.

National Championships

ESSO had agreed that they were happy with the combining of the Age Group and National Championships. The Organising Committee were now awaiting the proposed programme from the Swimming Committee.

Long Distance

It was agreed that the proposed I January Tay Swim could go ahead as a Centenary Year publicity but there would be no funding from the Association. The first official event of Centenary Year is as per the brochure, the AGM.

Synchro Invitation meet

The cost of the accommodation had now been reduced by changing from a hotel to the Scottish Sports Council national centre at Inverclyde. Inverclyde District Council were to provide free transport, free pool hire and a disco. The Organising Committee were congratulated on their efforts in this respect. The Organising Chairman had agreed to give the Treasurer the name of a contact within IBM with a view to possible sponsorship. The Secretary to ask Mr C Stark to contact the Treasurer.

Masters

No change.

European Swimming Cup

No change. Possible sponsorship under negotiation.

Summary

Target for next year should be raffle £20,000, donations £10,000. Districts were asked to emphasise that £30,000 is still needed for the Centenary year programme.

It was agreed that the up to date position in respect of club donations should be circulated to clubs.

6 BUSINESS ARISING

BOA Appeal

A meeting had been held with I Macpherson and the event was to be called the Centenary Olympic Splash, to be held on 30 January and suitable venues needed to be identified. A Taylor had contacted District Secretaries who were to instruct their Centenary Committee representatives to submit possible venues at this meeting. Permission should be sought from the BOA for the use of the Olympic logo. 50% of all takings would come to the SASA. I Macpherson is to approach the relevant local authorities in respect of free pool hire of the selected pools.

Diving Cup

The Secretary reported that the Edinburgh District Council had been asked if all facilities would be available for this event. They had suggested that the Scottish Sports Council could possibly provide the required boards. This was to be discussed at the forthcoming Organising Committee Meeting.

Medals

The Executive had been looking at possible examples and these were viewed by the Committee. A decision was made for a competitors' medal and commemorative medal and the Treasuer was asked to obtain costings for these

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Saturday 7 November 1987 at 10.00 am at the Offices of the Scottish Sports Council, Edinburgh to which Organising Committee Chairmen would be invited.