Notes of meeting of

Birmingham Swimming Action Group (SAG)

Held on Sunday 23rd February 2014

At KIngstanding Leisure Centre @ 10.00 a.m.

Present:- Rob Wells (ASA), Kim O ‘Keefe & Debbie Arthur (Boldmere), Carl Grosvenor, Ian Stanford & Dave Rogers (COBSC), R Wilson (Orion), E & M Nixon (N Bham SLC), Keith Munday (PBSSC), Denise Pain (COB Synchro), Shirley Wigley (Boldmere), Deborah Crego, Y Rimmer (Treasurer) Kati Kampal (Fox Holies).Mandy Blizzard (PBSS & Chair), Judy Tullett (Kingsbury Aquarius & Secretary)

Apologies:- Gary Humpage (Bham Uni), & Anne King.

1. Minutes of last meeting held on 5th January 2014 agreed.
2. Report from Rob Wells- Aquatic Officer:-

* **Swim 21 update** – several clubs already approved under new on line framework. Also new modules for the Network have been launched – this will be the network agreement in the future. The final module for performance programmes is being developed and some Clubs will be invited to apply for World class and Talent- approximately 30 will be invited to apply e.g. Beacon Clubs. Most of B’ham network either approved or working towards,
* **Talent Update**- Talent Officer for this area been appointed- Fred Furness.
* **Club Surveys**- approximately 33% of Clubs completed the survey and returned. The results will inform the 4 year strategy, Will be available in April/May 2014.
* **Satellite Clubs update**(With Keith Munday). This is a scheme to involve young people from secondary schools to be involved in sports. Host Clubs deliver satellite sessions to attract young people who may not join a Club. **RW will send link again to anyone interested.**
* **Memorandum of Understanding-** group members discussed the MOU at length RW said that some already agreed with MOU which is to agree to work as a group. Discussion re roles and responsibilities , and spirit of the agreement. Discussion re clarification of eligibility for the MOU, relationship of B’ham Network and SAG . Sag is currently a sub committee of the Warwickshire ASA and may involve other members who would not be involved with the MOU? Need for clarification re Working with the Uni Bham (eg meeting of 4th March 2014). , pool hire costs (what is the norm, agreed rate etc, learn to swim programmes etc. Agreed that MOU needs to include other matters e.g. re facilities, negotiations with LA’s, ASA is in discussion and reviewing swimming strategy with Bham and network needs clarification on what is being discussed, planned. After much discussion agreed that:\_
* **The Birmingham Network is a sub group of the Birmingham SAG.** RW will amend the MOU to reflect the discussion and will be recirculated. And signed at next meeting.
* **Please note that 50 metre pool meeting on 4th March 2014 has been cancelled.**

**3. Club Updates- Clubs asked to send reports for inclusion**

**4. Clubs reminded of the Chairs meeting on 8th March 2014.**

**5. No update for the Water festival at present.**

**6. Coventry Pool updates- will be circulated to keep members informed.**

**7. Discussion re Level 1 & Level 2 training courses and need to do some closed courses to keep costs to a minimum and have courses close to home.**

**8. JET agreed to circulate e mail to Clubs to see how many would like to do the courses and when?**

**Date of next meeting to be advised.**