

# **Executive Committee - MINUTES**

The Executive of the St Vincent and the Grenadines Swimming Federation (SVGSF) held a meeting on Sunday, January 14th, 2024 commencing at 2pm via ZOOM conference facility.

## 1. Welcome:

a. The President welcomed the Executive members to the first executive meeting for the year.

## 2. Attendance

The following Executive members were in attendance:

- Stephen Joachim
- Garcia Cato
- Liz Cordice
- Andre Cadogan
- Kentish James
- Louise Mitchell
- Kim Halbich

## 3. Minutes of the last meeting of the Executive:

- a. The Minutes of the meeting held in October 2023 had been previously circulated to the members. A motion to take the minutes as having been read was taken and passed.
- b. There were no Corrections or amendments
- c. The minutes were approved unanimously

## 4. Matters arising from the Minutes

a. There were no matters arising that were not for further consideration.

## 5. 2024 Schedule:

- Month/Dates Location Event Year 2024 Feb 2-18 Doha, Qatar World Championships 2024 February 22-25 SVG - SAC **Gallagher Invitational BASA National LC Championships** Feb 27-Mar 3 2024 Barbados St Lucia April 11-14 **RHAC Invitational** 2024 March 29 - Apr 3 2024 Bahamas Carifta May 23-26 Barbados **BASA Aquatic Invitational** 2024 2024 June 20-23 Nassau, Bahamas **Bahamas Nationals** July 26 - Aug 11 2024 Paris Olympics Aug 22-25 SVGSF Nationals - SAC National Champs and OECS Team selection 2024 October 3-6 - TBC SVG - SAC **OECS Time Trials?** 2024 November 8-10 2024 SVG **OECS Championships** World Championships (25M) December 10-15 **Budapest**, Hungary 2024 2024 Dec 3-8 Barbados National SC Championships 2024 Dec 14-17? Trinidad ASATT
- a. The schedule of events for 2024 was previously circulated and is below:

- The Executive discussed the schedule and it was approved.
- It was noted 2024 was an Olympic year and the swimmer selections process was discussed. This included the universality process and World Aquatics regulations.

## 6. Events:

- a. The Summons for the upcoming Gallagher Invitational Swimming Championships had been previously circulated.
  - i. The Executive reviewed the summons and discussed the work to done.
  - ii. Dr Simone France would deal with all technical aspects of the Competition as usual.
  - iii. Janelle Ballah would deal with food and beverage sales as usual.
  - iv. Brian George would lead the Computer room as usual.
  - v. Stephen Joachim would be responsible for the announcements, sound system and DJ.
- b. The Carifta swimming championships will be held in the Bahamas in late March and early April 2024.
  - i. There was a review of our qualifying times.

- ii. The Executive agreed to consider swimmers who did not qualify IF they were likely to be in the top 8 based on their current times and last years Carifta results.
- c. The OECS Swimming Championships would be hosted the SVGSF in November 2024.
  - i. The Executive agreed to appoint an OECS Preparation committee to plan for this event.
  - ii. Brain George will be responsible for the facilities around the pool and Shrewsbury House
  - iii. Janelle Ballah will be responsible for food and beverage operations
  - iv. Simone France would be responsible for technical matters as well as hosting matters
  - v. Stephen Joachim is responsible for preparing the Summons and setting up the meet in HyTek.

## 7. Treasurers report.

- a. The Treasurer reminded the Executive that the financial statements for the fiscal year ended November 30, 2023 had been presented and approved at the recent AGM.
- b. The Treasurer advised that the SVGSF was in good shape financially and had adequate resources for the upcoming year.
- c. The Committee agreed to look into the cost of obtaining an external accounting firm to review and/or audit the financial statements for the year ending November 30, 2024.

## 8. Any other Business.

The Committee agreed to continue its normal communications via Whatsapp and emails.

The next meeting of the Executive will likely be held in August.

## There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.