

Minutes
Zone 2 Meeting
May 21, 2007

CALL TO ORDER: 7:30 p.m.

ATTENDANCE: Dan Bishop (TERA), John Schonder (CUDA), Marcia Benjamin (WCAB) Ron Heidary (OAPB), Rich Thornton (SRVLA), Robert Radecke (AIA), Alida Benjamin (EBSA), Lynn Alsanady (EBAT), Rich Fischer (PLS), Kim Jew (MSJA), David Cottam (CROW), Robert Hernandez (TIGER), Susan Bishop (TERA), Mehdi Saghafi (BEAR), Kent Yoshiwara (WCAB), Gwenn Chong

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Minutes from March meeting read and approved, as amended. Amendments to minutes: (a) Under Attendance: B. Sheppard –added Undercurrents for team affiliation. Under Officials' Report: Jerry Eng, changed to Gerry Ng.

CHAIR'S REPORT: (a) Western Zone team flight changed to Monday so participants can complete Far Westerns if desired; (b) Rule Change to Altitude Adjustments—previously used only for Pacific meets above Q times, but now applicable to all Pacific meets with time verifications (c) West Coast Aquatics' request for 10 scholarships @\$175 for special program was approved by Pacific. (d) Pan American Deaf meet to be held in Valencia, Venezuela this summer. Is looking for athletes to compete over Aug 11-18, 2007. Additional information available at usdeafswimming.org.

TREASURER'S REPORT: For March 2007, Income was \$869, with expenditures of \$16,448. Major expenditures included \$6005 for All Star Meet Expenses, \$5,000 for club development, and \$5,418 for Zone 2 Championship expenses. Net Income for March was (\$15,579). The only activity for April 2007, was an expenditure of \$291 for officials' expenses. At the end of April 2007, Zone 2 had \$54,291 in checking and savings.

OFFICIALS' REPORT: (a) An officials' clinic was held at East Bay Bat Rays, with about ½ dozen attendees. (b) An additional clinic for referees is being planned, but not yet scheduled (c) High School league BVAL is still falling short on officials for its league championship meet. Big issue is league getting early notice to Pacific for officials. Requests have come in week of meet in past.

SAFETY REPORT: No Report

AGE GROUP REPORT: (a) Western Zone flight change, as noted in Chair's Report (b) No news on Pacific participation in International All-Star Meet since there was no age group meeting prior to the Pacific meeting.

SANCTIONS: All meets through June have been sanctioned. Nothing pending after June. (b) East Bay Silver Dolphins requested change from standard format for their September meet. The format would be the same as used at last year's meet. Six lanes, with 350 swimmers projected. Motion to approve format change made to be same as last year's meet made, seconded, and approved.

EQUIPMENT REPORT: (a) problem with equipment after return from CUDA meet—new starting system not secured and fell, breaking speaker and strobe (b) Also problem with equipment returned from TERA meet with shelf broken, some timing equipment may have fallen and needs to be tested. (c) Lot of equipment in some state of disrepair- speakers not working, only 1 printer working, trailer contains old Colorado 4000 system that does not work. Dave and Pat will check out all equipment prior to TIGER meet and will report on condition. (d) New Colorado 6000 system seems to be a good system now- we

should evaluate for purchase. It is a hard drive based system rather than a hard-wired one. (e) Suggestion was made that a phone list be included with the trailer so teams have contact information whenever a problem occurs. (f) Kent looking for volunteers to help organize and secure equipment in trailers. It appears that there are sufficient cases, containers to protect the equipment once organized. Mehdi Saghafi and Randy Sharpe volunteered to help and will meet with Pat to go through trailer. They should also create schematic/diagram showing how equipment should be stored and how components fit together for operating.

COACHES' REPORT: No Report

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: Distance camp cancelled, since only 8 sign-ups. Zone still shooting to do Fall Camp. Question raised whether the camp needs to be opened up for additional age groups, given the small sign-up for the spring camp, and should it include the 8 who had signed up.

NEW BUSINESS:

(a) Draft of Pacific Meet Schedule was distributed.

(b) Zone 2 Schedule—need committee to work out Zone schedule.

- Proposed high school schedule provides two weeks between league championships and NCS. We need to petition to keep high school league championships with same dates as prior years to avoid conflict with Santa Clara International meet.
- March AIA/EBSD meet may need to change to avoid conflict with Zone All Star meet and Sectionals, suggested that meet be moved to 2/23-2/24.
- Discussion around feasibility of dual venue formats—while a good concept tends not to draw. Suggested that keep at least one dual venue, perhaps the April TERA meet.
- To make scheduling decisions, need to know what other Zones are scheduling. Kent to check with other zones about their scheduling.
- Zone 2 needs to look at timing for De la Salle Invitational meet, which moves every year around spring breaks
- Suggested Scheduling committee, consisting of Rich Fischer (PLS), Paul Stafford or Rick Waterhouse both of TERA, Kim Jew, and one additional coach, possible Matt from OAPB. Committee to report a schedule proposal at next month's meeting

(c) Nominating Committee needed to fill Chair, Vice Chair, Treasurer positions. All agreed that Carol Cottam would be the Nominating Committee.

(d) Budget Proposal – Carol Cottam is working up budget for next year. She wants ideas on how money should be spent. She developed and distributed a spreadsheet to be used to incorporate any requested expenditures, with comparisons to 2006-07 actual and budgeted expenditures. As for "outreach" activities for next year, Pacific is developing guidelines and criteria for all in the LSC. Pacific is considering creation of a new board position for Outreach/Diversity. Zone 2 funded two expenditures this year, although some questions have arisen over funding the Black All-Star "team", since not an official Pacific team. BEAR was also funded, and will provide a report on their efforts.

(d) Pacific has a number of openings for Board positions, including an At-Large Member, Age Group Chair, Secretary, General Chair, Vice Chair. It was noted that Pacific holds meetings on the fourth Wednesday of each month.

MOTION TO ADJOURN: Moved, seconded, and approved. Meeting adjourned 8:42 pm. NEXT MEETING JUNE 18 at 7:30pm