

Pacific Swimming Athlete Committee

Meeting Minutes

Sunday, November 26, 2023 @ 6:30 PM

<https://zoom.us/j/92193801623?pwd=ZTg5bm94dmZrY0pgK1hBTGx6ckh6dz09>

Our mission is to share knowledge, develop leaders, and promote inclusivity to unify the athlete community.

1. Call to Order: 6:34 PM
2. Attendance (no need to write your own name):
 - a. Verónica Hernández, Steph Anderson, Abbey Keller, Allison Liu, Alyson McKeon, Amit Kannan, Amy Chen, Andrew Trieu, Antonio Bazan, Ashley Dangol, Bella Pflieger, Atlas Metin, Chetan Raghavan, Cindy Rowland, Diana Fetterman, Dominick Wonosaputra, Donna Talmadge, Evan Byun, Hadley Peck, Hailey Sotelo, Gracie Goss, Iris Seligson, Jack True, Jessie Hu, Joseph Harris, Josie Oesterer, Joyce Lee, Justin Ely, Kate Corbett, Lily Yung, Patricia Lai, Samantha Ng, Saveta Holunga, Tyler Dacanay, Zach Silverman, Lily Struempf, Aly Cutforth
 - b. Please put your first and last name as your username on Zoom.
 - c. Communication: Please be sure to email yhernandez@pacswim.org directly if you are not able to attend Athlete Committee meetings.
3. Resources for the month:
 - a. [Native American Heritage Month](#)
 - b. [Golden Goggle Winners 2023](#)
4. Icebreaker:
 - a. Z1S & Z1N - Z2 & Z3 & Z4
 - i. Senior Meet, really high scratch rate, weather was bad, but what do people think about the time of year, is it helpful, should we move it?
 1. A lot of people were sick which is why they had to scratch
 - ii. Leadership Summit 2024 1 day or 2? Would more people attend if 1 day in water and 1 day in classroom?
 1. 2 day, some water time one day and still a meeting the other day
5. Reports:
 - a. Senior Rep (srathleterep@pacswim.org):
 - i. No report
 - b. Junior Rep (jrathleterep@pacswim.org):
 - i. No report
 - c. Zone Reps:
 - i. Zone 1N (ZS & PG - z1nAthleteRep@pacswim.org):
 1. Passed bylaw changes for including the athletes within the bylaws
 - ii. Zone 1S (JL - z1sAthleteRep@pacswim.org):
 1. No report
 - iii. Zone 2 (SH - z2AthleteRep@pacswim.org):
 1. No report
 - iv. Zone 3 (JH - z3AthleteRep@pacswim.org):
 1. No report
 - v. Zone 4 (BP - z4AthleteRep@pacswim.org):

1. No report

d. Committee Reps:

- i. Age Group: Approved policies and procedures section for the committee, Now have a host for Age Group Champs in Hollister (Spring or Summer), made standards for the All-Star Meet (if applying with times less than AAA then it is unlikely you will make it)
- ii. DDEI: grant review board meeting took place, discussed team grants and opportunities for hosting swim programs/meets for people who do not have access or have difficulty getting pool time, approved two teams to get grants
- iii. Senior Committee: Talked about endorsements for the senior meets and adding them for sectionals, Discussed 18 and under and overflow meets
- iv. Finance Committee: drafted statement for activities budget, budget needs work after the holidays, Athlete committee needs to work on what we want our budget to be for next year
- v. Investment Committee: met last month
- vi. Safe Sport: each team needs a safe sport coordinator to help certify their team, only 19 out of 101 teams are certified, Other LSCs gives a discount for their safe sport recognition on their club registration

e. Team Reps:

- i. SSS: started working on secret swimmer (bring one gift each week leading up to Christmas break), brings people from different levels of groups together
- ii. RAYS: Hosted a Toiletries drive
- iii. OAPB: friendsgiving, planned White Elephant for senior group and junior group swimmers

f. Vice Chairs (VH)(ES):

- i. OPTC Camp applications close Dec 17 (need times in longer events for this)
- ii. PacCoast All-Stars applications close this Sunday
- iii. Applications for the WZ DEI Camp are open (link on website). Camp will be in Indianapolis and will include going to Olympic Trials. 1 A time to apply, sending two athletes, potentially four, Pacific Swimming pays for all of it

g. General Chair (LI):

- i. No report

h. Mental Health (JH):

- i. No meeting this month
- ii. Starting back up in January

i. Social Media (JL & SB - repsocial@pacswim.org):

- i. No report

j. Rep Recruitment (SA):

- i. Meeting soon
- ii. All Senior reps have received emails about replacement rep

k. Team Interaction (JH):

- i. No report

l. Suit Exchange (LY):

- i. No report

6. New Business

- a. Changes to Bylaws and P&P
 - i. Just wording changing and potential to have more than 5 zone reps
 - ii. USA swimming changed bylaws to clearly include Athlete representatives so now it's more officials
 - iii. P&P used to have limited number for zone reps but now it is open, one zone rep has the vote on AEC but they can have multiple reps
 - b. College Commitments
 - i. On Pacific Swimming page
 - ii. As they fill out the google form, more athletes are added to the list
 - c. Safe Sport Training
 - i. Want it to be part of being a representative
 - ii. Go through USA Swimming to get the certification
 - iii. Not a lot of people know how to get to this place or have difficulty with it
 - iv. Given a couple months to get it done at first
7. November/December Team Culture Action Item:
- a. Organize a food drive, or other community service project, work with your coach to organize a gift exchange or team/group holiday party → take photos of community service with team and send them to social media
 - b. [November 8, 2023 - PC Swimmers' College Commitments - Class of 2024](#)
8. Next Meeting: [2023 Athlete Handbook](#)
- a. January 28th @ 6:30
9. Adjourn: