

2017 November 8 Chair Report

Denise has stepped down as our Scheduling Chair. I appointed Shannon to take that position. Shannon has been on that committee for many years, and I am confident she can take it over.

We used the SST timing system at a GGST meet at MHAC and a CRUZ meet in Watsonville. Both were single ended meets. We also used it at an SCSC South meet at MHAC which was a double-ended meet. All were with the SAMMS system. We still need experience with Hy-Tek. Bill Cunningham loves the new system and I think it is great, too. We did have a couple of hiccups, so it is not foolproof, but neither is Colorado 5. Essentially, we just load scoreboard files from the computer after events are seeded, and SST runs itself except for turning off no-show lanes. It prints automatically and advances events and heats automatically and flags times that the AO needs to look at.

Two motions were made at the BOD meeting that were sent to the Executive Committee which is sending them back to the next BOD meeting for lack of time to address them. Basically, the motions penalize host clubs by not allowing them to host another meet for 6 months if they don't get the entry file in on time to be checked for registration errors or if they do not get USA-S registration at meets sent in on time. I plan to vote against those motions and suggest fixing the problems instead of applying more punitive damages. I believe Pacific should start supporting online registrations with credit/debit/echeck payments, and registrations should be checked at the time of submitting entries. The Nevada LSC has a beta test for online payments and someone told me Swim Connections has the ability to check registrations.

A lot of discussion at the Executive Committee meeting was about what to do for the clubs in Zone 3 affected by the fire, and so the email I sent out earlier to allow them in other zone meets in October and November. Rick Beebe, that some of you know, was one of those in Z3 that lost his home. It looks like this will be a major topic at the Pacific BOD meeting next week.

It looks like we need to move our Board meeting in November next year because Pacific has moved their meeting to the same date so as not to be so close to Thanksgiving.

Be sure to read the Pacific online minutes for details about several other topics.