2018 March 14 Chair Report

By Cliff Reyda

David Benjamin assures me that the May HOD date is not a protected date since the meetings are in the evening. I requested that the wording in the Policies and Procedures be changed to reflect that. I see this is pending in the minutes and is to be included with an update that Mike Davis wants to make to protected dates.

The motion to penalize clubs from hosting a meet for 6 months if they do not get the deck registrations submitted within 14 days has been withdrawn. Dollar penalties are pretty severe, so be sure to get them in on time.

I had asked for an update for online registration and payment. This was posted in the Executive Committee minutes:

"Status of On-Line Registration: USA Swimming is moving forward and has scheduled the first meeting of the Power Users on January 24th. They will be using Team Unify and Hytek platforms for collecting the funds and have already alerted the LSC registrars to get those ready. USA Swimming will use their on-line system exclusively so there is no sense in any LSC creating their own platform."

Pacific is not part of testing the new process. I have not received any updates yet about the meeting.

Pacific wants to make Far Westerns special meets. The plan was to award them to clubs for 4 years. That way, the clubs could learn and improve the meet each year. However, last year it was a 1-year bid and so they put them out for bid again this year to all clubs. The Executive Committee decided to continue with the same clubs next season. So, short course will be at SCSC and long course at Orinda. Nothing was said about the next 2 years.

Larry Rice was appointed chair of the Governance Committee. David Benjamin would like the committee to look at three things. One is the relationship of the staff to the BOD. Personnel issues keep coming to David and he would like that handled differently. Another is to look at the structure and staffing of Pacific's Safe Sport position. David thinks Safe Sport is very important, but the Pacific position is currently vacant, and Pacific is not expecting much help from USA-S. The third was to anticipate and prepare for the planning session with USA-S on June 16.

I brought up the fact that some of the information on the Pacific Website is out of date, starting with the Swim Guide that was last updated in 2013. It immediately has been pulled from the site and is being reviewed for information that may not exist elsewhere and that should be posted someplace.