

ZONE 2 BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Board Meeting Minutes — May 18, 2026

Zoom Meeting | Called to order: 7:31 PM | Adjourned: 8:55 PM

Attendance

Position/Team	Representative	Position/Team	Representative
Chair	Chris Lam	GOLD	
Vice Chair		HILL	Shad Wojtala
Treasurer	Carol Cottam / David Cottam	LAC	Mark Wagner
Athlete Rep	Alexis Thompson	MONT	
Officials	Lisa Kaplan / Markus Daene	OAPB	Ron Heidary
SafeSport	Lola Hanacek	ONDA	Merideth Ostrer
Sanctions	Angela Cardenas	PLS	Nan Wang
Age Group Rep		PST	Colby Price
DDEI	Amy Gonzales	SAIL	
Senior Rep	Charlie Gonzales	SRVA	Peter Deweese / Kris Arneson
Equipment	Leo Lin	TERA	Doug Reed
AAA	Jesus Salcedo	TIGR	Adriana Hernandez
ALGA	Connie Li	TRIV	MaryAnn Nygren
BSW	Pam Araujo / Chris Da Sie / Jacquelyn Wright	TVAC	
CDST	Holly Gallagher	WCAB	Lisa Ward
DA		Guest/SRVA	Jenna Heke
EBAT		Guest/PC	Beau Caldwell
ECG	Keri Pock	???	iPhone (20)
ELIT	Paschalis Ntatsos		
EBSD	Dionne Dunn		

Procedural Items

Item	Outcome
Call to Order	Meeting called to order by Zone 2 Board Chair Chris Lam at 7:31 PM.
Approval of Prior Minutes	April 20, 2026 meeting minutes approved as presented.

Officer and Committee Reports

Topic	Key Discussion / Decisions	Action Items
Chair — Chris Lam	HOD meeting is scheduled for Wednesday. The delegate registration deadline has passed, but the registration form remains open. Link shared in Zoom chat.	Representatives planning to attend are encouraged to complete delegate registration.
Treasurer — Carol Cottam	Deposits: \$5,865 ZAM copays, \$1,100 officials fines, \$400 equipment rental. Expenses included ZAM reimbursements and subsidies. Zone 2 holds approximately \$133,000 total (\$31,000 in checking), with	SRVA to email Carol with mailing address for long course subsidy check. Carol to follow up on outstanding SAIL and GOLD fines (SAIL due 5/30, GOLD due 5/27).

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	~\$6,000 in recent investment gains. Budget for 2026–2027 will be presented in June; corrections due by July. SAIL fine due 5/30; GOLD fine due 5/27. Proposal to increase ZAM coach stipends from \$400/\$200 to \$500/\$300 (benchmarked against other zones) deferred to June. TIGR also eligible for long course subsidy.	Teams hosting long course meets to email Carol after the meet to receive the \$1,000 subsidy payment. ZAM stipend increase to return at June meeting. Coaches awaiting ZAM stipend payment to submit W9 forms to Carol for processing.
Athletes — Alexis Thompson	Junior representative ballot voting closes May 19. HOD expected to discuss proposed increases to athlete membership fees and age group meet fees. Reminder issued regarding SafeSport certification requirements.	None.
Officials — Lisa Kaplan / Markus Daene	Zone 2 Officials Clinic held last weekend; courses included advanced stroke & turn, beginning starter, deck referee, and advanced starter. Positive feedback received. Clarified that officials are not restricted from working multiple days at meets — multi-day participation supports development. Markus Daene emphasized officiating requirements are minimums, not maximums. Lisa and Markus thanked Chris Lam and his friend for donating the clinic venue.	Continue planning for future in-person officials clinics.
SafeSport — Lola Hanacek	No formal report. (See closed-deck discussion under Other Business.)	Lola to discuss closed-deck meet policies with the SafeSport Committee and report back with recommendations.
Sanctions — Angela Cardenas	Working on the Zone 2 Summer Championships meet sheet.	None.
Age Group — Vacant	Chris reported that Jake will step down as Age Group Representative due to scheduling conflicts.	Board to identify and recruit a replacement Age Group Representative.
DDEI — Amy Gonzales	Committee discussed changing the DDEI funding source from the regular Pacific budget to the Investment Committee budget. Proposal expected to be voted on at upcoming HOD. No movement on the proposal for zones to contribute to MEFAP.	None.
Senior — Charlie Gonzales	Limited coach feedback received regarding the February 2027 Senior meet format (3 responses); host team PLS will determine the format. Pool not available Monday; possible return to Fri–Sun scheduling. Concerns raised regarding low senior meet participation, open standards, and 11–12 athlete eligibility. DVC expressed interest in hosting a December meet but cannot bid until current bidding concludes (not yet a USA Swimming club). CAL returned its June 6–7 meet; now a one-day meet hosted by QSS at Gunderson HS. Senior	Chris to determine whether the Senior Committee may extend the one-year trial without additional board approval. Board members encouraged to email srchair@pacswim.org to advocate for change on senior meet standards and 11–12 participation.

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	coach of the year selection pending. Discussion held on coach travel stipends. Senior Committee approved combining summer Age Group and Senior Championships; recommendation to be presented to the board in June.	
Equipment — Leo Lin	Long course equipment is functioning well despite limited recent use. Only minor repairs needed.	None.
Zone 2 Summer Championships	Scheduled for July 25–26 at Chabot College, hosted by SRVA.	None.
Zone All-Stars (ZAM)	Zone 2 won the ZAM meet for the fifth consecutive year — congratulations to all coaches and chaperones! Zone 2 is scheduled to host in 2027. Discussion held on whether Pacific Swimming provides financial support for hosting.	Chris to continue searching for a 2027 host pool. Carol to verify whether Pacific provides a hosting subsidy for ZAM.
WZAG	Application deadline is May 29 at 3:00 PM Pacific. Event location may change from Mt. Hood; updated site still pending.	Monitor updated event location announcement.

Other Business

Topic	Key Discussion / Decisions	Action Items
Background Checks	USA Swimming changed background check providers effective May 14. New and renewal checks are both \$30.	Officials seeking reimbursement to submit receipts to Leo Lin.
Dual Venue Assignments Committee	Charlie Gonzales appointed as Chair.	Recruit committee members.
Round 1/2 Meet Bid	Board approved PLS request to move its Round 1/2 bid from Memorial Day weekend to April 17–18.	None.
Closed Deck Discussion	Paschalis Ntatsos raised concerns about meet deck access and SafeSport considerations. Board discussed the desire for more regulated, consistent meet environments.	Lola Hanacek to work with the SafeSport Committee on possible recommendations for future board discussion.
Meet Opening Times	Board discussed standardizing Z2 meet entry opening times; alternatives suggested include 6 PM or 7 PM instead of 7 AM. Will revisit in June.	Representatives to discuss preferences with member teams and report feedback at the June meeting.
Meet Calendar	Several open meet weekends remain and are now available first-come, first-served. Alternate formats and alternate weekends may be considered. During bidding rounds, CDST confirmed hosting a meet June 12–13 (7 lanes); Holly Gallagher to provide additional details on CDST's requirements.	Interested teams to contact Chris Lam.
Deferred Item B	Adding 50 BK/FL/BR events for the 13–14 age group. No action taken; deferred.	Members wishing to revisit this item should contact Chris Lam.
Budget Planning Note	ZAM coach stipend increase (from \$400/\$200 to \$500/\$300) to be brought as a motion at the June meeting. ZAM 2027 hosting costs to be included in the upcoming budget draft.	None — to be addressed at June meeting.

Motions

Motion #	Description	Result
2026-05-001	To discharge the "Z2 C/B/BB+ Meet Management" Special Committee established November 17, 2025. Background: The committee has become inactive and its purpose no longer requires further action.	Approved

Next Meeting & Adjournment

Item	Details
Next Meeting	June 15, 2026 — Zone 2 Board of Directors Meeting
Adjournment	Meeting adjourned at 8:55 PM.

Minutes prepared for Zone 2 Board of Directors. Next meeting: June 15, 2026. Contact Chair Chris Lam with questions or corrections.