

**Zone 4
Pacific Swimming
Meeting 1/13/09**

The meeting was called to order at 7:32 pm.

Attendance:

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| ✓ Jim Morefield (Chair), DDST | ✓ Valerie Rudd (Officials), TAHO |
| ✓ Susan Schraeder (Vice-Chair), RENO | ✓ Gale Maynor (Officials) |
| ✓ Sharon Weiss (Secretary), LAKE | ✓ Mike Ginsburg (Sanctions),
RENO/LAKE |
| ✓ Jerry Rudd (Treasurer), TAHO | ✓ Gaby Phalan, CARS |
| ✓ Sarah Davenport (Safety), DDST | ✓ Monica Weaver, CARS; |
| | ✓ Dan Meyer, RENO |

Review & Approval of Minutes:

The Minutes of the meeting of November 4, 2008 were approved as written.

2009 Meetings:

- ✓ Next Meeting: March 10th (finalize 2009 League Championship plans/rules)
- ✓ Future Meetings: May 12th (nominations); July 14th (elections); Sept 8th; Nov 10th

Announcements and Correspondence:

- ✓ Pacific Swimming was victorious (over Southern California, Pacific Northwest, British Columbia, and Oregon, respectively) at the Pacific Coast All-Star Meet in Seattle on January 10th & 11th.
- ✓ The Carson Tigersharks Polyathlon, scheduled for January 17th & 18th, will accept deck entries.

Financial Report:

- ✓ In light of the current economic conditions, Jerry Rudd (Treasurer) suggested that for Zone All-Stars, spending be limited to only items and expenses necessary for the success of the meet (eg., travel, team cap & shirt, etc.), and not necessarily exhausting the allotted budget.
- ✓ All 2009 Zone 4 dues have been paid (CARS, DDST, LAKE, RENO, & TAHO), with the exception of Bishop and Mammoth
- ✓ The 2008 Zone 4 Financial Report, which has been submitted to Pacific Swimming, was approved.
- ✓ Current balance is \$7,964.02 (checking) and \$2,478.74 (CD).
- ✓ Treasurer:
 - Jerry Rudd
 - Zone 4 Treasurer
 - P.O. Box 9698
 - South Lake Tahoe, CA 96158-2698

LSC Report:

- ✓ In an effort to advance understanding of diversity issues unique to Pacific Swimming, the Pacific Swimming Diversity Committee is asking for the help of its teams in compiling information pertinent to the race and ethnic background of its swimmers. Since as much as 50% of swimmers leave ethnic background questions blank on their USA Swimming Registration forms, Pacific is currently asking that each team submit an analysis of its ethnic make-up so that Pacific will have more accurate information about its members. They ask that each team submit this information by February 28th.

Coaches' Report:

N/A

Officials' Report:

- ✓ There will be an Officials' Clinic on Saturday, January 17, at the Carson Polytathlon. All interested and willing parents are invited and encouraged to attend.
- ✓ A brief discussion and debate regarding the new 'no-show' policy (see below) for Pacific Swimming included concerns pertaining to whether or not the new policy is necessary and/or would be an improvement over the existing policy, one which seems already effective for teaching swimmers about competing in the events for which they have checked in and scratching events they do not plan on swimming. Additional concerns pertain to potential issues regarding clerk of course, having swimmers checking in a second time, and enforcement of this new policy throughout the course of a meet. Effective January 1, 2009, the 'second-chance rule' states that
"a swimmer who has checked into a deck-seeded event who fails to swim the event must return to the clerk of course and repeat the check-in process for any subsequent events the swimmer wishes to swim. A swimmer who does this may swim in subsequent events without penalty. Following a no-show, if the swimmer does not re-check in for an event, the swimmer will not be permitted to swim the event. If the swimmer re-checks in for an event but does not swim the event, the swimmer will be barred from the next individual event in which s/he is entered."

Safety Report:

- ✓ New drain specifications, per USA Swimming,

Sanctioning Report:

- ✓ RENO Meet (sprint meet), originally scheduled for March 21st & 22nd, has been changed to March 7th & 8th.
- ✓ When applying for meet sanctions, teams are reminded to put 'PC' before the meet distinction (ex. 'PC – A').
- ✓ Gale Maynor requested that Zone 4 meet sheets regularly include that officials' clinics for interested parents will be available at the meets.

Scheduling Report:

Zone 4 2009 Meet Schedule:

BST: June 26-28

CARS: Jan 17-18; May 22-24; 2010, Jan 16-17,

DDST: Feb 13-15; Aug 7-9; Sept 25-27; 2010, Feb 12-14

RENO: June 19-21; Oct 31-Nov 1 (NEW)

TAHO: June 6-7; July 24-26

Old Business:

- ✓ Zone All-Star Developmental Meet
 - Meet Information: March 1, 2009, warm-ups at 10:00 a.m., meet begins at 11:00 a.m., Host: Zone 1N (Burlingame HS), Entry Deadline, February 23, 2009
 - Coaches: 9-10 (Sharon Weiss, LAKE; Nikola Savcic, LAKE); 11-12 Sophie Daniels, RENO; 13-14 Sarah Davenport, DDST
 - Selection process: Zone 4 will utilize the same scoring system used by Pacific Swimming for the Pacific Coast All-Star Meet (Top 7 swimmers in each age group (based on age as of March 1, 2009) scored 1st-7th, with points 1-8-5-3-2-1-0 by best time in each event applicable to the meet and age group, with the 8th swimmer chosen by the coach, and ties to be broken using the 100 freestyle time.

- ✓ 2009 Pacific Swim Guides available for pick-up / delivery (\$2/book):

BST – 8	CARS – 15	DDST – 50
LAKE – 3	RENO – 250	TAHO – 10

Next Meeting: March 10, 2009 7:30 pm (Queens Room, The Firkin and Fox) 310 S. Carson Street, Suite 100

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:32 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Sharon M. Weiss, Secretary