

**Zone 4
Pacific Swimming
Meeting 5/11/2010**

- ✓ The meeting was called to order at 7:45 pm.

Attendance:

X	Jim Morefield (Chair, DDST)	X	Greg Taylor (DDST)	X	Matt Benedict (RENO)
X	Sharon Weiss (Secretary, LAKE)	X	Alan Weiss (LAKE)		
X	Gale Maynor (Officials, Z-4)	X	Jared Scalise (NNA-Alt)		

- ✓ Please notify Jim Morefield, Zone 4 Chair jdmore@charter.net of any changes to team representatives.

Review & Approval of Minutes:

- ✓ The Minutes of the meeting of March 9, 2010 were approved as written.

Upcoming Meetings:

- ✓ Next Meeting: July 13th, 2010 (elections)
- ✓ Future Meetings: September 14 (meet scheduling), and November 9, 2010; January 11, March 8, & May 10, 2011.

Public Comment: (Chair reserves the right to limit to 5 minutes per person; no action may be taken)

- ✓ N/A

Announcements and Correspondence:

- ✓ An Evening with the Olympians Saturday June 5, 5:00-9:00 pm at the Peppermill Casino in Reno. Olympians include Rowdy Gaines, Cullen Jones, & Jason Lezak. Tickets are now on sale now (\$30 adults / \$15 children) and available from Mike Ginsburg, by email MGinsburg@nvenergy.com or at the Northern Nevada High School Championships 5/14-5/15 or at www.sncaquatics.org/snca-store.htm. Proceeds benefit Sierra Nevada Community Aquatics, a grassroots community initiative to sustain and expand public and competitive water space in the greater Reno area.

Financial Report:

- ✓ Current balance \$10,709.79 (checking \$8,231.05 / CD \$2,478.74)
- ✓ Final approval was given for reimbursement of expenses incurred (\$359.83) for Bishop/Mammoth officials clinic, hosted by Gale Manor and Jerry & Valerie Rudd April 21-22, and attended by 19 parents, coaches, & officials, per the motion that was approved at the January meeting.
- ✓ 2010 Zone All-Star Meet net expense to Zone 4 was \$1,207.92 (\$1,252 was previously approved to cover staff registration and background checks, as well as team support reimbursements).
- ✓ Motion: To increase Zone All-Star Meet co-pay to \$60 for 2011. This increase would cover up to \$480 of the expense incurred in 2010 as well as meet the 35% co-pay requirement of Pacific Swimming. Approved.

- ✓ Treasurer:
Jerry Rudd
Zone 4 Treasurer
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LSC Report:

- ✓ Notes from Mar/Apr BOD meetings (Valerie Rudd via Jim Morefield).
 - Due to schedule conflicts, the Rudds are unable to attend the May HOD/BOD meetings. A substitute was requested.
 - The Carson Tigersharks have been awarded a \$6,000 diversity grant for an outreach project.
 - In the event that a swimmer meets the requirements for his or her school lunch program, USA Swimming currently accepts a reduced Athlete Registration Fee of \$5 (entitled 'Outreach Membership'). Those registering in this manner can simply make note of this change on the regular form.
- ✓ Discussion regarding the no-show rule change, stating that '*At age group timed finals meets there is no penalty for missing an event. This rule applies to timed final events at age group meets such as J.O.'s and Far Westerns*'. The primary concern expressed by Zone 4 regarding this decision pertains to issues of consistency for all levels of competition within Pacific Swimming, particularly for Zone 4 timed final meets already sanctioned and leading up to JO's and Far Westerns. It was also noted, however, that currently it is the desire of Pacific Swimming to be consistent with the current national rule, which has no penalty for a timed final no-show.
- ✓ HOD Meeting May 22. Team representatives planning on attending House of Delegates meetings must be on file with Pacific Swimming.
- ✓ Pacific Swimming is currently looking for volunteer nominees for its Board of Review, to be elected at the HOD meeting). Zones should submit nominations to Pacific Swimming in advance.

Coaches' Report:

- ✓ Matt Benedict (RENO): Applications for Western Zones and the North American Cup Challenge will be due on the last day of Junior Olympics (July 18, 2010).

Officials' Report:

- ✓ The officials clinics held in the Mammoth/Bishop area April 21-22 were well attended, with 12 participants in the basic clinic and 7 in the advanced. While expenses for holding separate clinics were greater, they were also deemed to be very helpful. It was suggested that this might be an area where Pacific Swimming can offer assistance.

Safety Report:

- ✓ Racing Start Certification: In addition to a reminder that all Zone-4 clubs maintain racing start certification for their swimmers, a question was again raised regarding when a swimmer attends a meet without a coach and is assigned to a supervising coach for starts. Specifically, who is responsible for proper race start certification (if anyone) at a meet? The supervising coach, the home team coach, the host team?

Sanctioning Report:

- ✓ N/A

Scheduling Report (2010-2011):

- ✓ BST: June 25-27, 2010
- ✓ CARS: May 28-30, 2010; Nov 11-14, 2010; Feb 18-21, 2011 (State)
- ✓ DDST: Aug 6-8, Sep 24-26, 2010; Jan 14-16, 2011
- ✓ MLST: Aug 14
- ✓ RENO: June 11-13, 2010
- ✓ TAHO: June 5-6, July 23-25, 2010
- ✓ Motion: RENO to add a Twilight Meet (tentatively scheduled with Sparks Piranhas) on July 10th, 8:00-10:30 am at the Northwest Pool in Reno and possibly an officials clinic (will pay for hotel Friday night for clinic host). Approved, contingent upon verification that Twilight Meet does not interfere with Northern Nevada Aquatics training time thought to be scheduled at the same time as the meet. RENO is also looking for a Referee for this event.

Old Business and Action Items:

- ✓ Zone All-Stars:
 - Motion: Beginning in 2011, applicants for Zone 4 All-Stars must have a minimum of three PC-A times for the age group in which the swimmer will be competing at the time of the all-star meet, but not necessarily in All-Star Meet events. Times will be adjusted for altitude (when applicable) per USA Swimming policy. Approved.
- ✓ High Country League Championships:
 - Aquasol (SN Swimming) was added to the High Country League per 2009 vote.
 - Championship entry form to be updated to reflect the no-show rule change.
 - All trials/finals events will be swum as trials/finals events, even if only 8 or fewer swimmers are entered in the event.
 - Motion: Request by host team (DDST) to increase meet fees and update to JO-level fees (\$5/\$16/\$5). Approved.
 - Request for fees variance to be submitted to Pacific Swimming.

New Business:

- ✓ Discussion regarding financial support for athletes participating in all-star meets (i.e., Western Zones & NACC). General consensus that Zone 4 will provide support. Specific amount to be decided at July meeting.
- ✓ Nominations of officers for 2010-2011 Zone-4 Board (elections at July 13 meeting; no other nominations were received):
 - Chair: Jim Morefield
 - Vice-Chair: Susan Schraeder
 - Secretary: Sharon Weiss
 - Treasurer: Jerry Rudd

Next Meeting: July 13, 2010 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 9:10 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Sharon M. Weiss, Secretary