

**Zone 4
Pacific Swimming
Meeting 3/12/13**

The meeting was called to order at 7:37 p.m.

Attendance:

X	Chair, Jim Morefield	X	Steve Panzram (CARS)	X	Lou Scalise (NNA)
	Vice-Chair, VACANT	X	Karen Debusk (CARS)	X	Erik Scalise (NNA)
X	Treasurer, Jerry Rudd (TAHO)	X	Officials, Valerie Rudd (TAHO)	X	Rebecca Chappell (RENO)
X	Secretary, Sharon Weiss (LAKE)	X	Officials, Richard Hayes (UN)	X	Safety, John Branco (CARS)
X	Athlete Rep, Vanessa Rauch (CARS)	X	Athlete Rep, Clara Gray (DDST)		Sanctions, Shari Buonamici (RENO)

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

Review & Approval of Minutes:

- ✓ The Minutes from the meeting of January 15 will be submitted for review and approval at the May meeting.

Upcoming Meetings:

- ✓ Next Meeting: May 14, 2013
- ✓ November Meeting date change: November 19 (schedule conflict: November 12 is the day after Nevada State Championships)
- ✓ Future Meetings: July 9, September 10, **November 19**, January 14 (2014), March 11, May 13

Public Comment:

- ✓ N/A

Announcements and Correspondence:

- ✓ Per Pacific SWIMS coordinator, USA Swimming will no longer record 25-yard swims.
- ✓ 2013 Pacific Swimming All-Star Meets: Pacific is actively seeking coaches for the summer NACC (Ages 11-18, August 7-10, Federal Way, WA) and Western Zone (14 & Under, August 6-11, Roseville, CA) All-Star teams. Coaches are encouraged to apply. Eligible swimmers are also encouraged to apply. Applications for both meets are due May 30, 2013. See Pacific Swimming website.

Financial Report:

- ✓ Current Balance (as of 2/28/13): \$6,045.87
- ✓ Zone All-Star operating expenses exceeded athlete co-pays by \$775.
- ✓ In light of Pacific Swimming's approval of a Zone 4 Splash Fee surcharge of \$1.00 per athlete (see LSC report below), the treasurer is in need of the number of splashes for 2012 Zone 4 meets in order to prepare the 2013 budget.
- ✓ Treasurer: Jerry Rudd, Zone 4 Treasurer, P.O. Box 9698, South Lake Tahoe, CA 96158-2698

LSC Report:

- ✓ Pacific Swimming House of Delegates meeting scheduled for Saturday May 4! Zone 4 teams are encouraged to send club representative(s), who must be registered with Pacific prior to the meeting.
- ✓ Pacific Swimming Nominating Committee is looking for candidates for At-Large Board Members and Board of Review Members. Interested parties are encouraged to contact Jim Morefield.
- ✓ Splash Fee surcharge of \$1.00 per athlete approved for Zone-4 meets effective February 20 , 2013.
- ✓ No-show penalty eliminated for Zone-level meets (only). No-show penalties still apply in meets awarded by Pacific, including age group meets such as Far Westerns, Junior Olympics, and holiday Age Group Open meets, as well as in all senior meets.
- ✓ Video recording and photography behind the starting blocks are strictly prohibited at all meets.

Coaches' Report:

- ✓ Bishop Swim Team is currently without a coach.

Officials' Report:

- ✓ An officials' clinic is tentatively scheduled for May. Details to follow.
- ✓ Zone-4 provided 13 officials for the Zone All-star meet.

Safety Report:

- ✓ Several recent incidents include a backstroker running into the wall and a swimmer getting jumped on by another at a TAHO workout (this swimmer was later diagnosed with a concussion).
- ✓ Air quality issues at the Desert Breeze Aquatic Facility (Vegas) during Nevada State Championships resulted in many swimmer, coach, and parent health complaints, ranging from heavy cough to chlorine burns and illness. Those affected are urged to write to Ron Aitken (Sandpipers) at usaswimcoach@gmail.com.
- ✓ Congratulations and thank you to David Rinaldi for an outstanding job as Head Marshal at the Zone All-Star meet.

Sanctioning Report:

- ✓ Next to be sanctioned are the Intermountain Classic (CARS) and Summer Splash (RENO) meets.
- ✓ Note: as a 'Pacific Meet', Intermountain Classic (CARS) is submitted directly to Pacific Swimming for sanction.
- ✓ Chair awaits wording changes from Pacific Swimming.

Scheduling Report (2013-2014):

- ✓ In the event of any schedule changes, teams are asked to make notifications as soon as possible.
- ✓ Current approved schedule:
 - BST: June 21-23
 - CARS:
 - May 24-26
 - January 17-19, 2014
 - DDST:

- August 9-11
 - September 20-22
 - February 14-16, 2014
- NNA:
 - **Motion:** June 8-9 Novice Meet (Fernley). **Motion Carried.**
- RENO:
 - June 14-16
 - October 18-20
- TAHO: July 5-7
- **Open: December 14-15**
- Zone 4: **Motion:** to add May 10-11, Northern Nevada High School Regionals to both Zone 4 and Pacific Swimming schedules. **Motion Carried.**
- ✓ CARS: possibly to add a 2-day-LC-trials/finals meet between JO's & Far Westerns.
- ✓ Teams are advised that upcoming scheduling for May-August 2014 will take place at the May 2013 meeting.

Old Business:

- ✓ The following motion was passed 10 in favor, none opposed, via special email vote ending January 31, 2013: Effective if and when Pacific Swimming permits Zone 4 to add \$1.00 per swimmer to the regular Pacific Swimming meet participation fees ("splash fees"), each Zone 4 team hosting a meet scheduled by Zone 4 and sanctioned after this motion becomes effective, shall pay to Zone 4 \$1.00 per athlete entered in the meet, to be received by the Zone 4 Treasurer not later than 30 calendar days after the last day of the meet. Teams not in compliance with this requirement shall be denied approval of any further meet sanctions until all funds due under this requirement have been received by the Zone 4 Treasurer.
- ✓ Review: 2013 Zone All-star meet (March 3, Carson City). The meet went really well; swimmers had a great time; brief discussion regarding the inclusion of 8 & unders in the meet and whether or not all-star meets, even at the developmental level, are appropriate for this age group.
- ✓ **Motion:** Run events fastest to slowest in Zone-4 timed finals meets. **Motion Carried** (Note: 1 opposed).

New Business:

- ✓ **Motion:** Reduce Zone 4 seasonal club dues to \$50 per year. **Motion Carried.**
- ✓ **Motion:** Appoint an Acting Vice-chair. Sharon Weiss (LAKE). **Motion Carried.**
- ✓ Open Discussion requested on LSC affiliation (Pacific vs Sierra Nevada): brief survey of current views reveals both support for remaining with Pacific Swimming and modest interest in pursuing more detailed investigation of the pros and cons of LSC affiliation for our Zone as a whole and the needs and interests of individual teams.

Next Meeting: May 14, 2013 7:30 pm, High Sierra Brewing Company 302 N Carson Street
Carson City, NV 89701

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:38 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Sharon M. Weiss, Secretary