

Pacific Swimming Zone 4 Board of Directors Meeting

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>>> PLAZA HOTEL, 2ND FLOOR MULTI-PURPOSE ROOM, <<<
801 S. Carson Street, Carson City, NV 89701.

MINUTES

Wednesday January 10, 2018, 7:30 pm

1. Attendance:

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jim Morefield (Chair)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Lily Bickmore (DDST-Athlete Rep)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Kat Matheson (DDST)
<input type="checkbox"/> Sharon Weiss (LAKE-Vice Chair)	<input type="checkbox"/> Nenad Rodic (LAKE)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ken Murphy (LAKE-Alt)
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Julie Hardt (CARS-Secretary)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sam DeRuse (RENO-Athlete Rep)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ryan Evans (RENO)
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jerry Rudd (Treasurer)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Alison Cameron (NNA Athlete Rep)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Erik Scalise (NNA)
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Daniel Morse (CARS-Safety)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Daisy Fanter (NNA Athlete Rep)	<input type="checkbox"/> Lou Scalise (NNA)
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Valerie Rudd (Officials)	<input type="checkbox"/> Larry Phippen (TAHO)	<input type="checkbox"/> Kim Klatt (CARS-Alt)
<input type="checkbox"/> Kendra Follett (RENO-Officials)	<input type="checkbox"/> Zack Hawes (TAHO)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Wendy Yturbide (DDST-Alt)
<input type="checkbox"/> Shari Buonamici (Sanctions)	<input type="checkbox"/> Brendon Bray (UNEV)	<input type="checkbox"/> (UNEV)
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> (BST)	<input type="checkbox"/> (BST)
GUESTS: Jodi Wright (LAKE)	<input type="checkbox"/> (MLST)	<input type="checkbox"/> (MLST)

2. Review & Approval of November Minutes. (Action Item)

- a. Approved with correction of Kat Matheson in attendance.

3. Next Meeting Wednesday March 14, 2018, 7:30 pm. (Zone All-star Meet recap; meet schedule approval)

- a. Future meetings (Wednesdays): March 14, May 9, July 11, Sept. 12, Nov. 14(?), Jan. 9, March 13

4. Public Comment (chair reserves the right to limit to 5 minutes per person; no action may be taken)

- a. No public present.

5. Announcements & Correspondence:

- a. **Reminder: all Zone-4 elected officers and appointed chairs must be 2018 USA Swimming members.**
- b. **Reminder: 2018 Team dues** (\$100 year-round; \$50 seasonal) are now due (send to Jerry Rudd, Zone 4 Treasurer, P.O. Box 9698, South Lake Tahoe, CA 96158-2698).
- c. No other announcements.

6. Financial Report:

- a. Current balances and recent activity.
 - i. Balance: \$16,739.14
 - ii. Income: -\$12.50 this period / \$1314.50 YTD
- b. There will be some large checks that will go out in the next month to pay for equipment rental, etc. for the Zone All Star Meet, but those monies will come back in through reimbursement from Pacific.
- c. Jim will post the excel version of the Zone 4 specific swim meet financial report form on the Zone 4 website.

7. LSC Reports:

- a. **Board of Directors** (reps. Rudds/Morefield) -- Nov. 15 BOD: working on revising application requirements for camps to reduce burden on athletes from outlying areas like Zone 4. New Pacific Senior Chair is Allison Beebe. Next House of Delegates meeting confirmed for Saturday evening May 19th. **Important: registration check files must now be received by registration chair at least 5 days before start of meet to avoid a fine or penalty.** (Recommend hosts continue to send the Thursday or Friday after online entries close, Saturday at latest.) Pacific seems to be also having an issue about coaches not being credentialed. Zone 4 seems to have everything in order. Next executive Board meeting next Wednesday (1/17).
- b. **Diversity Committee** (rep. Valerie Rudd) – no recent activity. It will start again in March.
- c. **Athlete Committee** (reps. Sam DeRuse, Lily Bickmore, Alison Cameron, Daisy Fanter) – no recent activity. Continuing work on the athlete webpage.

- d. **Open Water Committee** (rep. Erik Scalise) – no recent activity.
- e. **Senior Committee** (rep. Kat Matheson) – no recent activity.
- f. **Age Group Committee** (rep. Jim Morefield) -- Call December 6 - sent summary of our tech suit discussion ahead of the call. Rest of the zones still favor moving ahead with some kind of tech suit restrictions, but are moving slowly until the USA Swimming task force report comes out. Also continuing to tweak event lineup for future JO meets.
- g. **Governance Committee** (rep. Jim Morefield) -- no recent meetings.
- h. **Finance & Investment Committees** (rep. Jim Morefield) -- no recent meetings.
- i. **Scheduling Committee** (rep. Jo Ann Porter) -- 2018-19 Pacific schedule posted and approved in November. One correction, ZAM meet will be March 3, not Feb. 17. Upcoming meeting to discuss Senior Circuit and JO time standards, including 2017 Senior Coach survey. Winter JOs will stay 2.5 days, spring and summer both 3 days.
- j. **Nominations Committee** (rep. Jim Morefield) -- no recent activity.
- k. **Safe Sport Committee** (rep. Jodi Wright) – no recent activity.

8. Coaches Report:

- a. Topic requests for 2nd annual Zone 4 **Officials Clinic for Coaches** scheduled for January 12?
 - i. Lochte rule on the agenda as well as the different roles for the meet director vs admin and refs.
 - ii. Recap of the latest rule changes – past 5-6 years.
 - iii. Hierarchy of roles at swim meets – flow chart of who to go to for specific things
- b. Pacific Swimming Coaches Group on Facebook for coach specific discussions about issues in Pacific Swimming. Closed group – must request to be added in.

9. Officials Report:

- a. December clinic took care of all the remaining officials who needed to re-cert for the next year, except 3 (1 Zone 4 and 2 in SN).
- b. There will be an upcoming Basic Starter Clinic soon.

10. Safety Report:

- a. No recent safety incidents.

11. Sanctioning Report:

- a. Next meet to sanction is March Age Group Open.

12. Scheduling Report (2017-18):

- a. **Current approved schedule (notify promptly of any changes):**
 - BST: Jun 15-17
 - CARS: Jan 12-14; May 25-27
 - DDST: Feb 9-11; Aug 3-5(P&F)
 - NNA: Mar 24-25; Jul 20-22 (P&F)
 - RENO: May 13 (Approved walk-on); Jun 22-24 (SR-2 P&F / AGO)
 - TAHO: Jul 13-15
 - ZONE-4: Mar 3-4 (Zone All-star Meet); May 11-12 (Observed HS Regionals)
- b. Preliminary 2018-2019 schedule for discussion and March approval.
 - i. Reno King of the Hill: Oct. 19-21
 - ii. Carson Blizzard Blast: Jan. 18-20
 - iii. DDST February meet: Feb. 8-10

13. Old Business and Action Items:

- a. **Zone All-star meet** March 4 in Carson City. Volunteers needed from ALL ZONE-4 TEAMS to staff the meet. Meet is a simple, single-session, 5-hour, pre-seeded meet (no check-in or scratches).

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:

- **Meet Director:** Ken Murphy (LAKE)
- **Head Timer/Marshal:** Scott McLean (RENO)
- **Marshals** 1. RENO 2. RENO 3. RENO
- **Announcer:** ?????
- **Colorado Operator:** Chris Meyer (UNEV)
- **Entries/Computer Operator:** Brian Nagy (LAKE)
- **Runners:** 1. LAKE swimmers 2. LAKE swimmers
- **Hospitality** 1. DDST 2. DDST

- **Set-up/Tear-down:** 1. Gary Kolb (CARS) 2. CARS parent(s)
- b. **(Information)** Zone-4 All-star Team Manager: Marjorie Scalise
Coaches: 10-u B - E. Scalise ; 10-u G - Porter ; 11-12 - Morse ; 13-14 - Weiss/Rodic?
- c. Request to allow an extra coach to assist with 13-14s for mentoring purposes
 - i. For the purposes of team reimbursement, the mentor/mentee will count as one coach.
 - ii. Table agreed with having a mentor/mentee for Sharon and Nenad. Option opened for other coaches/age groups.
 - iii. No need for special approval – Pacific allows for up to 14 coach/chaperone spots, and Zone 4 won't use all the spots.
- d. Coach Ryan Evans questioned whether one of his coaches had a missed application. There was a discussion of options if it was a clerical error in Jim's email.
 - i. If there was an email in spam, Erik was fine giving up one of his coaching spots since NNA had more than one coach. If the coach had not applied, Erik was unwilling to give up a spot.
 - 1. Coach Melanie sent her application to the incorrect email.
 - 2. Coach Erik felt it was unfair to his selected coaches to have them give up their spot.
 - ii. Discussion about adding Melanie as a coach for one of the bigger age groups. This would require voting and approval by the Board if payment was included for extra coaches.
 - 1. An extra coach would best be used for the 11-12 age group as opposed to the smaller 9-10/8 & under age groups.
 - 2. Jerry felt like another \$250 would not break the bank, and that there could be a one year exception without having to make amendments to the rules and regs.
 - iii. Ken Murphy made a motion to allow an additional paid coach for the 2018 Zone All Star Meet.
 - 1. Motion passed unanimously.
- e. Looking for brainstorm ideas for fun activities for Saturday night dinner for swimmers, like zone team ice breakers.
- f. Hospitality: there is no Pacific budget for hospitality, but the Host Zone can set a budget and pay for hospitality. Zone 4 will reimburse. Will be needed mostly for officials. Coaches will be fed through the lunches that their teams have.

14. New Business:

- a. **(Action Item)** Proof of registration criteria at meets -- revised motion for final vote.
 - i. Motion passed unanimously.
- b. **(Action Item)** All-star qualifying time policy for 8-unders -- motion and discussion for final vote.
 - i. This was discussed at the November meeting. The only addition from this discussion is including the opportunity for 8 & unders to qualify using 10 & under USA Motivational "B" times. This will allow an 8 & under swimmer to have more qualifying opportunities for events that don't have 8 & under time standards.
 - ii. Erik was concerned about having standards that are too strict and whether they would be dis-included merely by not having enough times.
 - iii. Question for attendees about whether people felt the November discussion was sufficient given the new 10 & under time standard amendment. Attendees felt it was.
 - 1. Motion passed unanimously.
- c. **(Action Item)** All-star selection and co-pay policy for 8-unders -- motion and discussion for March vote.
 - i. Kat questioned what it would require to take 8 & unders to other meets.
 - ii. Jim mentioned there have been extensive discussions for policies and procedures about 8 & unders. They already are required by Pacific to travel and stay with parents, so it shouldn't effect co-pays anyway. It could certainly be brought up again in the future.
 - iii. Motion to carry forward this amendment to the March meeting for a final vote.
 - 1. Motion passed unanimously.
- d. **(Discussion)** Feedback on Senior Circuit and Winter JO time standards for Scheduling Committee?
 - i. There's a discussion amongst Pacific coaches that time standards are too tight and not enough people are attending meets. As a result, many teams are uninterested in hosting SR meets. Erik feels like there should be some consistency on time standards and calm down to allow for more buy in.
 - ii. Jim mentioned that the Bay Area age group meets are tiered in different flights and swimmers are awarded based on tiers. Is there a way with the SR meets that swimmers could be awarded similarly?
 - iii. Perhaps there could be tiers for finals. Sr Circuit final vs Sr II final vs Sr Open final.

- iv. If you think of anything, email Jo Ann Porter or Erik Scalise for the next scheduling committee meeting.

15. Closed Executive Session (Elected & Appointed Officers & Athlete Representatives Only):

- a. No confidential matters.

16. Adjourned: 9:21pm