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 September 12, 2018, 7:36 pm

1. Attendance:

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☐ Jim Morefield (UN-Chair)	Kat Matheson (DDST)	Baylee Silveira (DDST Ath Rep)
	Nenad Rodic (LAKE)	Ken Murphy (LAKE)
☐ Julie Hardt (CARS-Secretary)	☐ Kim Klatt (CARS)	Hannah Presley (CARS Ath Rep)
Jerry Rudd (UN-Treasurer)	Larry Phippen (TAHO)	Zack Hawes (TAHO)
Lindsay Robertson (NNA-Safety)		☐ Daisy Fanter (NNA Ath Rep)
☐ Kendra Follett (RENO-Officials)	Ryan Evans (RENO)	☐ Julianne Abrigonde (RENO Ath Rep)
☐ Valerie Rudd (UN-Officials)	☐ Jo Ann Porter (NNA)	Alexia Taylor-Arredondo (RENO Alt)
☐ Shari Buonamici (UN-Sanctions)	Dave Hoover (NNA)	Amelie Palmer (NNA Alt Ath)
	Jodi Wright (LAKE)	Antonina Wiewior (NNA Alt Ath)
	Brendon Bray (UNEV)	(UNEV)
	(BST)	(BST)
GUESTS: Roger Pflieger (RENO)	(MLST)	(MLST)

- 2. Review & Approval of July Minutes. (Action Item)
 - a. Wendy Yturbide (DDST) added in attendance. Approved.
- 3. Next Meeting Wednesday November 14, 2018, 7:30 pm.
 - a. Future meetings (Wednesdays): Nov. 14, Jan. 9, March 13, May 8, July 10, Sept. 11, Nov. 13??
- 4. Public Comment (chair reserves the right to limit to 5 minutes per person; no action may be taken)
- 5. Announcements & Correspondence:
 - a. Congratulations to Zone-4 athlete Luke Hobson (LAKE) for being selected as one of five finalists for the 2017-2018 Age Group Male Race of the Year award for Pacific Swimming. Luke's 1:40.86 in the 200y freestyle at the 2018 NIAA State Championships (top Pacific and 2nd National 14-year-old time) earned him this nomination. (NOTE: to cast your vote for your favorite award finalists, visit https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/PacSwimA2018 before 7 pm Wednesday September 12th!)
 - b. Congratulations to Zone-4 athletes Katie Crom (LAKE, age 14 long course) and Luke Hobson (LAKE, age 14 short course) on being selected as Pacific Swimming Outstanding Swimmers of the Year in their age categories. Awards will be presented at the annual Pacific Swimming Awards Banquet, Saturday October 13, 2018, in Concord CA.
 - i. Sharon Weiss has contacted Pacific Swimming to dispute Katie Crom's swims representing Zone 4 and Pacific Swimming because she was Unattached representing Mission Viejo (Southern California Swimming) at the time. There has been no resolution yet.
 - c. Congratulations to our Zone-4 athletes who swam as part of the Pacific Swimming All-star team at the **2018 Western Zone Age Group Championships** in Roseville, CA, August 8-11. **Emma Schott** (**LAKE**) took 2nd place in the 13-14 200m freestyle (2:08.90), 2nd place in 400m IM (5:08.51), and placed top-8 in 2 more events. Emma was also part of Pacific Swimming's new meet record in the 13-14 400m freestyle relay. **Aidan Pflieger (RENO)** competed in 6 events, including a 15th place finish in the 13-14 1500m freestyle (17:48.44).
 - d. Congratulations to Zone 4 graduates Shelby Koontz (DDST/Indiana University) and McKenna Meyer (RENO/San Diego State) who competed strongly at the 2018 Phillips 66 National Championships in Irvine CA July 25-29. Shelby clocked 19th place finishes in the 100m butterfly (59.50) and in the 50m butterfly (27.19). McKenna ranked 40th of 77 competitors in the 400m IM (4:53.79).
 - e. **Requests for Pacific Swimming Travel Support** (sectionals, nationals, pro meets, etc.) are now **due no later than 60 days after the conclusion of the meet**. Be sure to get yours in on time!

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f. Next House of Delegates Meeting Sunday, October 14th, in Concord, CA. Visit http://www.pacswim.org/members/delegates for call-in options, and be sure your club representative information is up to date with the Pacific Swimming Registration chair.

6. Financial Report:

- a. Balance: \$18,373.82
- b. Income: \$434.00 this period / \$2949.18 YTD
- c. Jim will ask Jerry next time about discrepancy on income statement. One column lists expenses at \$550 for age group support, but the YTD column lists only \$300. Julie mentioned it may be from a family not cashing a check from Zone 4 (for many months) and Jerry canceling the check as a result.

7. LSC Reports:

- a. **Board of Directors** (reps. Rudds/Morefield) -- Last meeting July 18. Approved purchase of 20 Finis backstroke wedges for use at LSC Championship meets.
- b. **Diversity Committee** (rep. Valerie Rudd) --
- c. **Athlete Committee** (reps. Daisy Fanter, Baylee Silveira, Hannah Presley, Julianne Abrigonde, Amelie Palmer, Antonina Wiewior, Alexia Taylor-Arredondo no recent activity.
- d. **Open Water Committee** (rep. Erik Scalise) Whiskeytown open water canceled due to forest fires. 32 kids competed at Donner Dip.
- e. **Senior Committee** (rep. Kat Matheson) no recent activity.
- f. **Age Group Committee** (rep. Jim Morefield) -- No recent meetings. Short course JO and FW time standards have been updated on the Pacific Swimming web site.
- g. Governance Committee (rep. Jim Morefield) -- Teleconference August 14, working to finalize new Safe Sport Chair for Pacific Swimming. Next working on documenting the reporting structure and job descriptions of Pacific paid staff. Next meeting in October.
- h. **Finance & Investment Committees** (rep. Jerry Rudd) -- committee reviews LSC financial statements, reports, and accounting procedures on a monthly basis.
- i. Scheduling Committee (rep. Jo Ann Porter) --
- j. Nominations Committee (rep. Jim Morefield) -- no recent activity.
- k. Safe Sport Committee (rep. Jodi Wright) -- see Governance above.

8. Coaches Report:

- a. Kat Matheson (and her entire staff) attended the ASCA World Clinic this year. Was really cool that Michael Weiss was a star of many videos in the Biomechanics class at the clinic. For backstroke starts, there were other companies (other than Finis) offering backstroke ledges for \$40 instead of \$200. Contact Kat if you'd like more information about products. Roger Pflieger added that there were a lot of kids at summer championship meets that had never had exposure to backstroke ledges. It would be helpful to have them here for kids to practice so they don't go over the hill and freak out.
- b. Sharon has taken issue with USA Swimming about having to pay for deck passes for Coaches at higher level meets. It just doesn't seem fair that a coach should have to pay in order to do their jobs. Coach Erik agrees. Coaches should be allowed to come to work without having to pay to be there. The response from USA Swimming was that it was to help curb rising costs, but that response still seemed a bit empty.
- c. Coach Ryan would like to see a more formalized schedule for warm ups (i.e. 20 minutes in to warm up there will be a dive lane open). Jim feels there should be some flexibility based on lane use at the time. We don't want to be overcrowding lanes by opening dive lanes too early. Perhaps we can just have a limit for the first 30 minutes no dive lanes and then open it up after that.
- d. Carson Aquatic Facility closure (Nov 2, 2018 Jan 2, 2019) for maintenance and repairs. Tigersharks will be paying the City of Carson direct costs + lifeguards to keep the outdoor pool open for training. Any questions about the closure can be directed to Pool Director Mike Freeman.
- e. Coach Brendon asked about how the Idlewild pool openings were standardized. According to Sharon and Erik, there is no uniformity to when and for how long Idlewild stays open. Erik has asked in the past for a standardized opening plan (i.e. Memorial Day to Labor Day), and the city has basically laughed. They don't care about the pool opening, and the City opens and closes on a whim based on how their fiscal year goes. Coach Ryan stated that the Masters swimmers went to the City of Reno with a \$10,000 check to the City to keep the pool open an extra month, and the City turned it down. Perhaps all the user groups could band together to get the pool open earlier or stay open later. Coach Brendon will investigate the costing to operate the pool earlier, and he liaise with the Reno area teams and will follow up on the next Zone 4 meeting. Coach Ryan mentioned that the Council needs to hear from aquatics users year round, not just every time they're on the agenda. Constant squeaky wheels get more attention.

9. Officials Report:

a. Clinics scheduled for October 27 and 28 (ALL positions).

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- b. Annual Pacific Swimming Officials Clinic Saturday October 13 in Concord, CA.
- c. There are a number of officials from our Zone that are now getting to the level to do National level officiating.

10. Safety Report:

a. Timing Independent Contractor had stroke during setup Thursday of the NNA Silver State Champs. Life guards as well as Ron Harmon, NNA Parent and Official, took control of the situation. Timing IC was sent to hospital via ambulance and remained there until Sunday of meet. Head Coach, Erik Scalise and Meet Director, Lindsay Robertson spoke with City of Reno staff, supervisors and Department heads with a debrief of situation. Meet Referee, Carson Schott sent in Pacific Swimming and USA Swimming accident reports.

11. Sanctioning Report:

a. All fall meets sanctioned; next is the January CARS meet.

12. Scheduling Report (2018-19):

- a. Current approved schedule (notify promptly of any changes):
 - BST: Jun 14-16
 - CARS: Jan 18-20; May 24-26
 - DDST: Sep 14-16; Feb 8-10; Aug 2-4 (P&F)
 - NNA: Mar 23-24; Jul 19-21 (P&F)
 - RENO: Oct 19-21; May 12 (Approved walk-on); Jun 21-23
 - TAHO: Jul 12-14
 - ZONE-4: May 10-11 (Observed HS Regionals); May 18?? (Observed HS State)
- b. No further additions or changes.

13. Old Business and Action Items:

a. N/A

14. New Business:

- a. Welcome and thank you to our new 2018-2019 Zone-4 Athlete Representatives: Daisy Fanter (NNA), Baylee Silveira (DDST), Hannah Presley (CARS), Julianne Abrigonde (RENO), Amelie Palmer (NNA-alternate), Antonina Weiwior (NNA-alternate), and Alexia Taylor-Arredondo (RENO-alternate).
- b. **Proposal** Zone 4 support travel for meets Sectional and above when held within Pacific Swimming LSC (discussion / possible action item).
 - i. Sharon has sent a proposal to Pacific Swimming for Zone 4 athletes and coaches to get travel support to all eligible meets, regardless of where the meet is held. For us, even a meet in Pacific is still a travel meet requiring hotels, rental cars, etc.
 - ii. Sharon also proposes that regardless of Pacific's decision, Zone 4 may look at providing support for it's own athletes given the current financial surplus.
 - 1. Coach Ryan supports the decision, and Jim stated that it would be relatively easy to add in a clause in our policies and procedures. We have roughly \$2000 allocated for athlete travel support, but we normally use about \$1000. Some years may be more than others, and this can be predictable where Zone 4 can allocate only what it can afford to help athletes. We can structure it in a similar way to current policies to ensure that amateur athletes maintain their status.
 - 2. No action taken yet.

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

a. Only if needed to address any confidential matters. (possible Action Item)

16. Adjourn: 8:52pm

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