



Need your vote on a Zone 4 motion by Wednesday 9/18

Jim Morefield

Thu, Sep 19, 2019 at 11:40 AM

To: "Jerry Rudd (Treasurer)" , "Valerie Rudd (Officials Co-Chair)" , "Shari Buonamici (Sanctions)" , "Jim Morefield (Zone Chair)" , "Sharon Weiss (Vice Chair-LAKE)" , "Nenad Rodic (LAKE Coach)" , "Julie Hardt (Secretary-CARS)" , "Juliet Kahue (CARS Athlete Rep)" , "Kendra Follett (Officials Co-Chair-RENO)" , "Aidan Pflieger (RENO Athlete Rep)" , "Ryan Evans (RENO Coach)" , "Lindsay Robertson (Safety-NNA)" , "Amelia Brady (NNA Athlete Rep)" , "Erik Scalise (NNA Coach)" , "Justin LoPresto (DDST Athlete Rep)" , "Kat Matheson (DDST Coach)" , "Larry Phippen (TAHO Coach)" , "Kathy Haven (TAHO Meet Director)" , "Brendon Bray (UNEV Coach)" , "Brittany Wiles (BST Coach)" , "Pam Foster (BST Coach)" , "Samantha Doner (MLST Coach)" , "Bryan Bartilucci (MLST Coach)"

Dear Zone 4 Board members and team representatives,

Thank you all for your prompt votes!

The motion was seconded by Kat Matheson. Twelve eligible votes were received by the end of voting Wednesday, 19 Sept. 2019 at 11:59 pm, including representatives of six Zone 4 clubs, which represents a quorum for conducting business. The tally is as follows:

Yes - 12

No - 0

Abstain - 0

The motion passes unanimously. I will be working with the Zone 4 Treasurer today to finalize documentation and reimbursements. Email meeting is adjourned.

Thanks again,

--Jim Morefield, Zone 4 Chair

On Sun, Sep 15, 2019 at 11:48 PM Jim Morefield wrote:

Good evening Zone 4 Board members and team representatives,

I am convening this special "email meeting" of Zone 4 per section IV.G. of our Bylaws, which requires that "...all members participating shall be able to hear or receive all communications of all other participants until the meeting is adjourned." For this reason,

PLEASE REPLY-TO-ALL WITH YOUR RESPONSE(S) TO THIS EMAIL.

This email meeting will adjourn Wednesday 18 Sept. 2019 at 11:59 pm. The discussion and vote is limited to the motion below. Background and reason for the motion follows below the motion. The first yes vote received for the motion will be considered the "second" to the motion.

MOTION: Zone 4 shall reimburse Lakeridge Swim Team (LAKE), a Zone 4 member club in good standing, up to \$500 of **unreimbursed** travel and lodging expenses paid by LAKE on behalf of **each** LAKE athlete who attended USA Swimming Summer Junior Nationals in Stanford, California, August 5-10, 2019. All other relevant requirements of Zone-4 Policies and Procedures shall apply, except that the deadline for submitting documentation for reimbursement requests for this meet is extended to Friday, 20 September 2019.

BACKGROUND AND JUSTIFICATION: The intent of Section 6 of Zone 4 Policies and Procedures is to support up to \$500 of out-of-pocket travel expenses incurred by an athlete's family for that athlete to compete in specified National-level meets. However, the wording approved by Zone 4 did not consider the scenario whereby the athlete's Zone-4 club pays some or all

of those expenses on behalf of the athlete, instead of the athlete's family paying them directly. This is how LAKE conducted their team travel for this meet, and also conducts other team travel. Since LAKE covered eligible expenses that otherwise would have been out-of-pocket to the athlete's family, I propose that this scenario still meets the intent of our Policies and Procedures, and that LAKE should therefore receive the same Zone-4 support, under the same conditions, that would have applied to their families if they had paid the expenses directly.

Going forward, a motion to amend our Policies and Procedures will be introduced at our November 2019 meeting to better accommodate this scenario. Until that time, however, special Board approval is needed and is being sought via this motion. Immediate attention is needed so that Zone 4 and Pacific Swimming books may be closed out for the 2018-2019 fiscal year that ended August 31st.

PROCEDURE: **REPLY-TO-ALL** with your discussion and/or vote. Please vote **Yes, No, or Abstain**. Votes received by Wednesday at 11:59 pm must represent a quorum (at least 4 clubs) of the Zone 4 membership to result in a decision. This email is being sent to all elected and appointed Board members including athlete representatives. To the extent that this results in **fewer than two** representatives from a Zone 4 club, additional team contact(s) of record are included. To the extent that this results in **more than two** representatives from a Zone 4 club, only the first two votes received from representatives of that club will be counted. Per our Bylaws, up to two votes per club are eligible, plus one vote by each unaffiliated Board member.

Thank you all for your attention to this matter on such short notice.

--Jim Morefield
Zone 4 Chair
Pacific Swimming
