# **Pacific Swimming Zone 4 Board of Directors Meeting**

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# Minutes Sunday November 5, 2023, 5:30-7:00 pm PST

#### 1. Attendance:

☐ Jim Morefield (UN-Chair)	Kelly Schott (LAKE-host)	
Sharon Weiss (LAKE-Vice Chair)	Nenad Rodic (LAKE)	Millie Grieve (LAKE Z4 Ath Rep)
☐ Julie Hardt (CARS-Secretary)	Kat Matheson (DDST)	Gracie Goss (DDST Ath Rep)
☐ Jerry Rudd (UN-Treasurer)	Erik Scalise (NNA)	☐ Todd Gosselin (CARS Z4 Ath Rep)
☐ Jo Ann Porter (Safety, Scheduling)	☐ Jeff Edmonds (TAHO)	Delaney Sullivan (NNA Z4 Ath Rep
	Brendon Bray (UNEV)	Kalia Ream (RENO Ath Rep)
☐ Valerie Rudd (UN-Officials)	Mark Faherty (RENO)	☐ Katarina Klatt (NNA Ath Rep)
☐ Teri Galvin (RENO-Sanctions)	Brittany Rossi (BST)	Hadley Peck (DDST Ath Rep)
✓ Veronica Harmon (NNA-Safe Sport)	Pam Hennarty (BST)	Ryan Motta (LAKE Ath Rep)
	☐ Jenah MacGrain (MLST)	
	Emily Estremo (MLST)	
☐ GUESTS:		
Ron Harmon (NNA)	☐ Jeremy Murray (RENO)	Lindsay Robertson (NNA)

- 2. Review & Approval of September minutes (Action Item).
  - a. Minutes approved as submitted.
- 3. Next Meeting Sunday January 7, 5:30 pm
  - a. Future meetings (Sundays): March 10, May 5???, July 14???, Sep 8, Nov 3???, Jan 12
- 4. Public Comment (chair reserves the right to limit to 5 minutes per person; no action may be taken)
  - **a.** N/A
- 5. Announcements & Correspondence:
  - a. Congratulations to **Darian Koler** (LAKE), **Zach Power** (LAKE), and **Katy Zboinski** (LAKE) on their selection to the 2022-2023 USA Swimming Scholastic All-America Team! These student-athletes had to carry a 3.5 GPA during the school year, plus swim at least one event with a Winter Jr. National cut or faster.
  - b. The **2024 Pacific Coast All-Star meet** will take place in **Los Angeles, CA, on January 6-7**, 2024. 32 swimmers will be selected to compete (age groups 11-12, and 13-14). Applications are due by **November 15** for Coaches, and **December 3** for Athletes. See the October 17 news item at pacswim.org for more details and application links. Athlete co-pay is \$370 and **Zone-4 will reimburse up to 50% of the co-pay plus extra travel costs not covered by Pacific Swimming**. (NOTE: this meet is *different* from the Pacific Swimming Zone All-star Meet in March).
  - Reminder: all Zone-4 elected officers and appointed chairs must be 2024 USA Swimming members in good standing by January 1st.
  - d. **Reminder: 2024 Team dues** (\$100 year-round; \$50 seasonal) become due on January 1<sup>st</sup> (send to Jerry Rudd, Zone 4 Treasurer, P.O. Box 9698, South Lake Tahoe, CA 96158-2698).
  - e. Please stay tuned to pacswim.org for frequent important announcements.
- 6. Financial Report:
  - a. Current balances and recent activity.
    - i. Balance: \$24,449.21
    - ii. Net Income (Loss): \$0.00
- 7. Safety Report:
  - a. An athlete banged their knee exiting the pool at the September meet.
  - Two asthma incidents at the October meet.

#### 8. Safe Sport:

- a. LSC Safe Sport Committee report (rep. Veronica Harmon)
  - i. Low amount of Zone 4 teams Safe Sport recognized, so that will be a focus for our teams this year.
    - 1. Kelly and Veronica willing to work with the teams to help where needed. Kelly has ability to see progress of parents/officials on teams, so can help target goals with teams.

# 9. Other LSC Reports:

- a. **Board of Directors** (reps. Jim Morefield, Erik Scalise, Kelly Schott, Bella Pflieger, Gracie Goss) -- last BOD meeting September 20<sup>th</sup>. Minutes are available on the Pacific Swimming web site. Next BOD meeting 11/15.
- b. **Disability, Diversity, Equity, & Inclusion Committee** (rep. Valerie Rudd) Olympic Trials in Indianapolis with a simultaneous diversity camp in Indianapolis, recent clinic went forward despite some hurdles with facilities, weather, etc., Looking for an athlete rep on this committee for Zone 4
- c. Athlete Committee (reps. Isabella Pflieger, Gracie Goss, Todd Gosselin, Millie Grieve, Katarina Klatt, Ryan Motta, Hadley Peck, Kalia Ream, Delaney Sullivan) October Leadership Summit: learned a lot from valuable sessions about board meeting procedures, in water clinics, etc. hoping more Zone 4 athletes can attend in person next year (funding help and diving assistance was available this year, which will hopefully be available again next year)
- d. **Open Water Committee** (rep. Erik Scalise) no recent activity
- e. **Senior Committee** (rep. Kat Matheson) Asher Greene is the new rep, Terrapins Sr. meet timeline released, new email list so there should be more information coming through
- f. **Age Group Committee** (rep. Mark Faherty) Pacific Coast All Star meet in January coach and athlete applications due soon December 3 for athletes, Coach apps due Nov. 15
- g. **Governance Committee** (rep. Jim Morefield) -- continuing to chair the committee. Recent meetings 10/19 and 11/2, finalizing housekeeping changes to LSC Policies & Procedures. Next meeting 11/16.
- h. **Personnel Committee** (rep. Jim Morefield) -- last meeting 10/25, working on annual reviews for Staff. Next meeting November 29.
- i. **Finance & Investment Committees** (rep. Jerry Rudd) -- committee reviews LSC financial statements, reports, and accounting procedures on a monthly basis. October 19 meeting talking about organization with lots of new members no new ground covered
- j. Scheduling Committee (rep. Jo Ann Porter) -- no recent activity.

# 10. Coaches & Clubs Reports:

- a. Updates on meets, practices, facilities, etc.
  - i. Reno Aquatic Club thanked local teams for participation. Working on timelines for next year to clear up discrepancies with king of the hill 50s. Next year's event may either change date or venue due to voting needs at the Carson City Community Center.
  - ii. Carosn Tigersharks in process of the Blizzard Blast meet sheet for January. Also, as a side note, just a heads up that the Sparks Piranhas is planning on hosting their December event at the Carson Aquatic Facility (since they are in a different LSC there may not be as much info coming through).
  - iii. Tahoe Swim Club is growing and going well, although they are looking at expanding ideas about lessons programs or learn to swim programs to have basic skills developed ready for swim team. Carson Tigersharks happy to help with some ideas.

# 11. Officials Report:

- a. From the October 14 LSC Officials Clinics Congratulations to 2023 Zone 4 Official of the Year **Jo Ann Porter!** And congratulations to Pacific Swimming 2023 George Cleveland Award winners **Valerie and Jerry Rudd!** 
  - i. Extra congrats from Kendra Follett to Jerry and Valerie.
  - ii. Also extra thanks to Kelly and Veronica for their well taught course at the October Pacswim Officials clinic.
- b. Recent or upcoming clinics and activities.
  - i. Clinic in September at Reed High School in Sparks. About 20 people in attendance working on a variety of skills, with 10 brand new prospects.
  - ii. 13 people attended the HOD Officials Clinic in October. 7 different clinics and 23 separate sessions attended. Really good clinic that was well attended. May have to look at a bigger venue for next year.
  - iii. Next clinic scheduled for December 2 at Reed High School. Looking at having 3 basic clinics in the morning: AO, Starter, and Stroke and Turn. Afternoon have 3 advanced clinics.

#### 12. Sanctioning Report:

- a. Thank you **Teri Galvin** (**RENO**) for becoming our next Zone 4 Sanctions Chair, and thank you **Andrea Sullivan** (**NNA**) for your years of service in the position and for helping with the transition.
- b. All 2023 meets sanctioned. January and February 2024 are next up.

#### 13. Scheduling Report (2023-2024):

- a. Current approved schedule (notify promptly of any proposed changes):
  - BST: June 8-9
  - CARS: Jan 12½-14; May 24½-26
     DDST: Feb 9½-11; Aug 2-4 or 9-11
     NNA: March 23-24; July 12-14
  - RENO: May 12; June 21-23
  - ZONE-4: March 2-3 (ZAM); May 10-11 (Obs HS Regionals)

#### 14. Old Business and Action Items:

- a. 2024 Zone All-star Meet (ZAM) to be hosted by Zone 4 next March 2-3. (ongoing discussion and planning)
  - Facility is reserved
  - Event hotel will be the Nugget in Sparks
  - Carson Tigersharks will be woking the electronics for the meet with Becki Boehnke as Meet Director. Working on making sure the scoreboards are in working order for the meet. Also working on deck prep and set up.
  - Kelly Schott back on as Team Manager
  - Ron Harmon Head Ref, and Roger Pflieger as Starter, and Veronica as AO.
  - Zone 4 will need a few extra coaches to apply for the 8 & Under age group since Zone 4 is hosting this meet.

#### 15. New Business:

- a. **Emergency Policies & Procedures amendment** to conform with our Minimum Officials rule, and to give notice in our meet announcements between now and September 1<sup>st</sup> about the coming change. Requires 2/3 approval to pass on emergency basis (for January meet announcement), and re-approval at January meeting. (**Action Item**)
  - i. Moved and seconded.
    - 1. Suggested change adding date of enactment.
  - ii. Approved with suggested change with at least a 2/3 majority and will be added to meet announcements effective immediately.

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

- a. Only if needed to address any confidential matters. (possible Action Item)
- **17. Adjourned:** 6:35pm