

Pacific Swimming Board of Directors Meeting
24 August 2005
(Subject to Board of Directors approval)

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m.

The Minutes of the meeting of 20 July 2005 were approved as submitted.

Board members attending are noted by an 'x' in the table below; board members not present but excused are marked with an 'E'. Team representatives and guests in attendance are also noted.

Clint Benton	x	Carole Yoshiwara	x	Kent Yoshiwara	x	Dean Dillingham		<i>Team Reps Present</i>
Harrison Race	x	Kyla Power	x	Marvin Lanphere	x	Rick Waterhouse		Lehla Irwin
Scott Shea				Laurie Benton	x			Janet Mata
Joe Woo	x	Todd Krohn		Anneliese Eggert	x	Ugur Taner		Brian Bolster
Nancy Shaw	x	Tammy Hopkins		Rick Beebe	x	Darwin Takaki	x	Shannon Mackin
Fred Siegrist	x	Mary Yoshida	x	Gerry Ng	x	Gwenn Chong	x	
Judy Siegrist	x	Don Power	x	Jerry Koch		Chris Wells	x	<i>Guests present</i>
George Cleveland	x	Millie Nygren	x	Jacque Dillingham		Randy Burns		Mike Piccardo
Steve Morsilli		Gary Hinderliter	x	Mike Metcalf				Fred Vogelgesang
Larry Rice	x	Walt Eggert	x	John Geary		<i>Zone Alternates:</i>		Susi Jackson
Darryl Woo		Joyce Lanphere	x	Kim Jew	x			Lois Race
Lloyd Yoshida		Elias Totah	x	Owen Melroy				

Announcements and Correspondence:

- Scott Kaufman (Zone 4) has been appointed an athlete rep to the USA-S Open Water Committee.
- Contact info for the incoming Treasurer, Fred Vogelgesang (effective 1 Sep 2005):
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Financial Report:

- The net worth of Pacific Swimming as of 8/22/05, adjusted for our liability to USA-S and our commitment to the Salinas Community Pool Foundation, is \$1,057,606.
- Net income for the year has dropped, due mostly to recent expenses of \$45,000 for the Western Zone meet, \$8,000 for Camps, and \$27,000 for Travel to national meets (Jr's and Sr's).

Expenditure Authorizations:

- 0508-FS1 M/S/C (F. Siegrist, G. Cleveland) \$600 for new copier and toner cartridges, used by Registration and Membership.
- 0508-FS2 M/S/C (F. Siegrist, M. Yoshida) Adjustment/increase to the expense budgets for supplies/copying: \$200 for Membership (51525) and \$300 for Registration (51030). Transfer from Newsletter - \$500 (52510). Net change = \$0.
- 0508-MY1 M/S/C (M. Yoshida, J. Lanphere) Reimburse one of the Junior Leadership Camp applicants their \$90 co-pay. (Advance notice of illness allowed cancellation of all costs specific to this athlete.)

- 0508-DT1 M/S/C (D. Takaki, H. Race) Reimburse a PC official \$160.90 for airfare to the paralympic meet in Oregon.

Motions and Resolutions – Action on Pending Motions and Motions Held Over:

- 0507-FS3 M/S/C (F. Siegrist, J. Lanphere) Insert in the Policies & Procedures Manual, Section VI, 2.0 c., the words in bold italics: Pacific Swimming shall pay the “Early Bird” Registration Fee providing the individual actually attends the convention. The Registration Fee may be advanced upon submission of a copy of the completed USAS Registration Form. ***The cost of transportation as determined by the Board of Directors may be advanced upon submission of evidence of payment for transportation. Payment will be the lesser of either the amount actually paid or the determined cost. Should these amounts differ, final adjustment will be made when the balance of the convention expenses are settled.*** If the convention is not attended, the advances shall be returned to Pacific Swimming.
- 0507-KJ1 M/S/T (K. Jew, D. Power) Accept a second round bid from Osprey Aquatics to host the 2005 Winter Sr. Champs at Oceana H.S. (Pacifica), with the condition that PC cover the pool cost. Meet to be held with Sr T&F time standards and Sr Consideration times. *Motion tabled to later in the meeting.*
- 0506-JW1 M/S/F (J. Woo, G. Ng) Establish 2006 Time Standards for Age Group Meets:
 1. Leave the USA-S Motivational Time Standards listed in the Swim Guide, but clarify that they are to be used for motivational purposes only.
 2. Swimmers achieving new “A” times will be awarded “Gold Achievement” medals. (This is no different than current practice with “A” medals, except that an “A” swimmer in Pacific will have the same status as an “A” swimmer in other LSCs.)
 3. The only time standards to be used for Age Group class meets are:
 - a. Bronze (equivalent to the Pacific “C” time standards – no minimum)
 - b. Silver (equivalent to the Pacific “B” times established in 2002)
 - c. Gold (equivalent to the Pacific “A” times established in 2002)
 - d. JO (equivalent to the Pacific “AA” times as adjusted by the Time Standards Committee)
 - e. Q (equivalent to the Pacific “Q” times as adjusted by the Time Standards Committee)
 4. PRT is considered to be a Pacific motivational time standard similar to NRT for USA Swimming. WZCT remains for Western Zone selection time standards. None of these are to be used for meet entry time standards.
 5. Implementation in the 2006 Swim Guide: 1. List age group time standards separately under columns of Silver, Gold, JO, Q, PRT, NRT. 2. List USA-S Motivational Time Standards separately for B, BB, A, AA, AAA, and AAAA. Add notes to indicate that these are national motivational time standards and are not required to be used for meet entry time standards. 3. Replace all instances of C, B, A with Bronze, Silver, Gold.

Motions and Resolutions – New Motions:

- 0508-HR1 M/S/C (H. Race for the Sr. Com., M. Yoshida) That the 2005 Sr. Winter Championship Meet shall be held at the Oceana H.S. pool in Pacifica and that pool costs NTE \$4000 shall be covered by the Sr. Committee budget. [Move from General Chair Contingency acct 56030 to National/Senior Program acct 55010]
- 0508-KJ1 M/S/C (K. Jew, G. Cleveland) Pull motion 0507-KJ1 from the Table.

- 0507-KJ1 M/S/C (K. Jew, D. Power) Accept a second round bid from Osprey Aquatics to host the 2005 Winter Sr. Champs at Oceana H.S. (Pacifica). Meet to be held with Sr T&F time standards and Sr Consideration times.
- 0508-AE1 M/S/T (A. Eggert, G. Cleveland) The Age Group Committee should look at re-labelling the current time standards. [Motion was tabled, with the comment that everyone should look at the Policies & Procedures regarding Time Standards, in particular the time line for proposing new standards.]
- 0508-JW1 M/S/F (J. Woo, K. Jew) Pull motion 0505-AE1 from the table.
- 0508-JW2 M/S/C (J. Woo, G. Ng) Permit the following procedure for the 2005 Winter Age Group Champs:

Modify Pacific Rules and Regulations, Section 3, 5.b.(3) Scratching from Consolation Finals and Finals, (Swim Guide p. 72) as follows:

(i) Swimmers qualifying for consolation finals or finals who do not wish to compete must scratch within 30 minutes after the announcement of qualifiers. During this period, qualifiers may also notify the referee that they may not intend to compete in consolation finals or finals. In this case they must declare their final intention within 30 minutes after the announcement of qualifiers following their last individual preliminary event.

(ii) (new) Swimmers may declare a false start in finals by reporting their intent to the referee when the first finals heat of their event is called to the blocks. Such declaration will be considered a withdrawal and alternates may be substituted in accordance with (iii) below.

(iii) *(renumbered from ii)* In the event of withdrawal or barring of a swimmer from competition, the referee shall fill the consolation final or final when possible with the next qualified swimmer(s). First and second alternates shall be announced along with the final qualifiers. These alternates shall not be penalized if they are unavailable to compete in the finals.

Renumber (iii) and (iv) as (iv) and (v), respectively.

- 0508-JW3 M/S/ (J. Woo, D. Power) Beginning in 2006, 15-16 relays and 17-18 relays will no longer be part of the events offered at FWLC. In their place, relays will be offered for the combined 15-18 age group using the equivalent time standards for the current 17-18 relays. *30-day motion for consideration at the September meeting.*
- 0508-JW4 M/S/ (J. Woo, K. Power) Establish short course yard (SCY), short course meter (SCM), and long course meter (LCM) qualifying time standards (four sets each) for the SC and LC JO and SC and LC Far Western Championships so that no conversions will be needed when entering the meets. All conforming times achieved at the corresponding course will be seeded first followed by the times achieved at the other courses. The time standards for “other courses” will be developed using the current conversion formula published by USA Swimming. *30-day motion for consideration at the September meeting.*

Regular Reports:

Membership/Non-athlete (Laurie Benton) –

- To date, 402 coaches and 918 other non-athletes have applied for membership in 2005, for a total of 1,320 memberships. There are 110 clubs and 5 organizations.

Registration/Athletes (Judy Siegrist) –

- Regular athlete registrations to date are 13,020. Summer season registrations are 2,400, bringing total registration to 15,420.
- All re-registration packets have gone out.

Zone 1N (Larry Rice) – Last met on July 11. Discussed the proposed new time standard designations, and strongly supported this motion. Elected new officers; new Zone Chair is Sage Hopkins. Next meeting will be September 12.

Zone 1S (Darwin Takaki) – Last met on July 13. Next meeting will be September 14.

Zone 2 (Gwenn Chong) – Last met on July 18. At the next meeting (September) the Zone will hold elections and award meets.

Zone 3 (Chris Wells) – Last met on August 15. Approved the 2006 Zone 3 meet schedule. Elected the following officers to the Zone 3 Board of Directors: Chair - Warren Lager, Vice Chair – Asher Green, Sanctions – Lee Rosichan, Seniors – Dan Greaves. New officers begin their two-year term at the next meeting – Sep 19, and Zone 3 teams will be selecting meets for 2006.

Zone 4 (Randy Burns by email) – The Zone is in the process of selecting a new slate of zone officers. A list of Zone 4 concerns and proposed resolutions was submitted to the Ad Hoc Committee Chair at Sr Nationals. The Zone meeting in September has been rescheduled to 9/20 to allow Don Power to attend. The Zone Championship meet held Aug 12-14 was a huge success! Major issues facing the zone this fall include the selection of a new Zone Officials Chair, and the training, qualification and retention of more zone officials.

Senior (George Cleveland) –

- At the Duel in the Pool meet there were 2 officials from Pacific. The U.S. men and the Aussie women were winners, with the U.S. taking the meet overall. Next year the Aussie team will not return, but China is expected to attend. The meet will be held at the same place and time; this is a wonderful facility with two 50-meter pools, electronic takeoff pads, etc.
- At Nationals, there were five officials from Pacific. At Juniors, there were also several officials from Pacific.

Age Group (Joe Woo) –

- At the Western Zone meet, Pacific placed a close second.
- The Western Zone is compiling historical records.
- The Quad Meet will be held Jan 21-22 at the Nike Camp in Beaverton, OR.

Coaches – No report.

Athletes – No comment.

Additional Reports:

Ad Hoc Committee – Pacific/Zone 4 (George Cleveland) – See attached report.

Finance & Audit (Joyce Lanphere) – The annual Budget meeting has been confirmed for Saturday, October 8, at 10:30 a.m. in the Fireside Room (San Lorenzo Community Church). All committees must submit their budget requests with background information to Joyce by September 30. Attendance by a member from each Committee is recommended!

National Legislation (Anneliese Eggert) – All legislation to be considered at Convention has been posted on the USA-S website. All Board members should review, and forward comments to Convention attendees.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

The next Board of Directors meetings will be held on the following Wednesdays:
September 28, 2005, October 26, 2005, and November 30, 2005.

Respectfully submitted,
Nancy Shaw, Secretary

ZONE 4 TASK FORCE REPORT TO PACIFIC SWIMMING
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
AUGUST 24, 2005

There has been a very active interchange of information within the task force members and several additional interested/involved individuals.

The concerns can be divided into 2 basic groups – location impacted issues, and officiating issues.

As for the officiating issues, there are a number of things underway now which should enable most of these issues to be addressed and probably resolved. Since some of these issues are relatively sensitive, they will not be presented before this body. When the solutions have been developed, you will be advised in general terms.

The so-called location issues can be grouped into a few categories:

- Local participation
 - There are 9 teams in the zone: 1 is a university team, 1 is a summer club, neither of which participates in Zone functions.
 - Of the active 7, 2 rarely participate, leaving 5 participating clubs.
 - From these 5, the zone needs to come up with 6 to 8 officers, coaches for all-start teams, camp coaches, etc. The result is a few very overworked volunteers who easily become burned out.
 - It has been suggested that Zone 4 might merge with another zone, such as Zone 2. However, that does not really solve most of the other problems, and it is unlikely Zone 2 personnel could provide any better support that the LSC now provides.
- Financial aspects
 - Zone 4 has very limited funds – about \$5000 in its account.

- Zone 4 is unable to provide financial assistance to athletes going to Nationals, Juniors, or Western Zones, or any other meets such as Sectionals or Far Westerns. Zone 4 provides limited assistance to athletes in the Zone 1-2-3-4 All-star meet.
- In reality, almost all swimmers going to these type of meets come from only 1 or 2 of the 9 clubs which makes for obvious discontent.
- PC will need to look at ways to assist Zone 4 in finding additional funding for these types of activities. Some suggestions have included reducing the amounts of meet entry fees remitted to Pacific, providing a lump sum grant annually, etc.
- Perhaps the financial support to be provided for the Zone 1-2-3-4 All-star meet, since Zone 4 must travel extreme distances every year except the year they host the meet, could be adjusted to provide more travel cost off-set funding.
- Pacific needs to reconsider the amount of travel assistance for Nationals, etc. when the costs for Zone 4 athletes are out of line with the rest of the LSC athletes.
- Zone 4 participation at Pacific Board of Directors meetings
 - There are 2 basic issues here, cost, and time.
 - Depending on where the person is located, it requires 4 to 5 hours travel prior to a meeting plus the same afterwards, and maybe an overnight stay for someone to attend our meetings. This involves significant cost as well as time.
 - Among several suggestions, could the LSC conduct its BOD meetings in each of the Zones sometime during the year? Would enough of us travel to such locations to be able to conduct meaningful business?
 - The LSC could provide financial support to someone from Zone 4 to come to meetings held here, but what about the time impact – lost wages, or whatever?
- LSC Championship Meets
 - All such meets are held, generally, somewhere in the Bay Area, again making it an expensive and significant time factor for Zone 4 athletes and families to participate with the consequence that only those who are upper level swimmers are likely to participate.
 - Could it be a requirement that such a meet is awarded to Zone 4 every few years. In the past, there has been little support from the “lowland” clubs for such meets so that aspect will need to be addressed.

There are a few additional less significant issues, but you have a taste for the situation now. I am convinced that the Zone 4 people raising these issues are more than willing to work with us to find workable solutions to most of the problems that have been presented. Some fixes can be implemented in the near term but some may take some time to fix.

The task force will continue to work on this assignment.