

Pacific Swimming Zone 4 Board of Directors Meeting

High-Sierra Brewing Company, back room
 302 North Carson Street (downtown about 2 blocks north of Capitol)
 Carson City, NV 89701

Agenda November 13, 2012, 7:30 pm

1. Attendance:

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jim Morefield (Chair)	<input type="checkbox"/> Julie Gray (DDST)	<input type="checkbox"/> Lorna Johnston (DDST)
<input type="checkbox"/> Matt Benedict (RENO-Vice Chair)	<input type="checkbox"/> Rebecca Chappell (RENO)	<input type="checkbox"/> Shari Buonamici (RENO-Sanctions)
<input type="checkbox"/> Sharon Weiss (LAKE-Secretary)	<input type="checkbox"/> _____ (LAKE)	<input type="checkbox"/> _____ (LAKE-Alt)
<input type="checkbox"/> Jerry Rudd (TAHO-Treasurer)	<input type="checkbox"/> Valerie Rudd (TAHO-Officials)	<input type="checkbox"/> _____ (TAHO-Alt)
<input type="checkbox"/> John Branco (CARS-Safety)	<input type="checkbox"/> Steve Panzram (CARS)	<input type="checkbox"/> _____ (CARS-Alt)
<input type="checkbox"/> Erik Scalise (NNA)	<input type="checkbox"/> Lou Scalise (NNA)	<input type="checkbox"/> David Rinaldi (NNA-Alt)
<input type="checkbox"/> Clara Gray (DDST-Athlete Rep)	<input type="checkbox"/> Vanessa Rauch (CARS-Athlete Rep)	<input type="checkbox"/> _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Gale Maynor (Z4-Officials)	<input type="checkbox"/> _____ (BST)	<input type="checkbox"/> _____ (BST)
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GUESTS:		

a. Any changes to team representatives? Please notify the Chair.

2. Review & Approval of July and September Minutes (Action Item).

3. Next Meeting January 15th, 2013, 7:30 pm (Zone All-star planning)

a. Future meetings: March 12th, May 14th, July 9th, September 10th, November 12th, January 14th

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

5. Announcements & Correspondence:

- a. **USA Swimming has issued new anti-bullying and electronic communications policies. All teams** must either come up with their own policy, or by default the USA Swimming policy will become the team's policy also.
- b. **New USA Swimming language on Deck Changing:** *"Except where venue facilities require otherwise, changing into or out of swimsuits other than in locker rooms or other designated areas is not appropriate and is strongly discouraged."* **Meet Hosts and LSCs** have the option to replace the last 2 words with *"prohibited."*
- c. **Nevada State Championships** will be conducted at Desert Breeze Pool (Sandpipers) in Las Vegas Thursday afternoon through Sunday, February 21-24, 2013. Thursday warm-ups 1:00 pm.

6. Financial Report:

- a. Current balances and recent activity.
- b. 2013 Team dues (\$100) are due by next meeting (Jan. 10th).
- c. 2013 Budget (see Old Business)

7. LSC Report:

- a. 2013 JO, Far Western, and PRT time standards still pending.
- b. Among Pacific Swimming's accomplishments in 2011-2012, we sent 8 Athletes/Coaches to the Olympics, and had the largest number of Scholastic All Americans of all LSCs – 82.
- c. Pacific Swimming is submitting a Bylaws exception to USA Swimming requesting waiver of the term limits for the Pacific General Chair (John Bitter) for another 2 years so he can complete many of his initiatives that are still in progress.
- d. The Pacific Governance Committee is in the process of downsizing the Pacific Swimming Board of Directors, adjusting composition of the Executive Committee to include Zone chairs, and better defining the areas of Zone autonomy and responsibility.

8. Coaches Report:

9. Officials Report:

a. Basic and Advanced clinics conducted November 3 and 4, and planned again for December 4 and 5.

10. Safety Report:

a. Pre-warmup Marshal briefings implemented at recent Zone meets. Any feedback on effectiveness?

11. Sanctioning Report:

- a. All 2012 meets have been sanctioned. January and February 2013 are next.

12. Scheduling Report (2012-2014):

a. Current approved schedule (notify immediately of any changes):

- BST: Jun 21-23
- CARS: Jan 18-20; Feb 9-10; May 24-26; **2014**: Jan 17-19
- DDST: Dec 14-16; Aug 9-11; Sep 20-22; **2014**: Feb 14-16
- RENO: Jun 14-16; Oct 18-20
- TAHO: Jul 5-7
- ZONE-4: Mar 2-3

b. Schedule has been submitted to Pacific Swimming for online Swim Guide etc.

c. Any further additions or changes? (Action Item).

13. Old Business and Action Items:

- a. **2013 Zone All-star meet** to be hosted by ZONE-4 at the Carson City facility 1st weekend in March. Carson facility reserved Saturday afternoon and Sunday, arrangements for timing platform still pending. 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:** Karen DeBusk (CARS)
- **Head Marshal:** _____
- **Colorado Operator:** CARS
- **Timing Judge/Intermediary:** _____
- **Entries/Computer Operator:** CARS
- **Runner:** _____
- **Head Timer:** _____
- **Coach Check-in:** _____
- **Hospitality** 1. _____ 2. _____
- **Marshals** 1. _____ 2. _____ 3. _____
- **Set-up/Tear-down:** CARS and _____ ??

- b. **Zone-4 Budget:** continue discussion of ideas for cutting expenses and/or boosting income.

Proposal (Action Item): request that Pacific Swimming approve a 10-cent per event surcharge on meet entry fees for Zone-4 meets, to support Zone-4 All-star team coaches, Zone-4 Athlete co-pays for Pacific All-star teams, and Zone-4 officials recruiting, training, and retention. Entry fee for Zone-4 meets would become \$2.85 per event instead of \$2.75, with \$0.10 going to the Zone treasury. Currently Zone 1S has a similar athlete support program, and two other zones support athlete co-pays on a financial need basis. Have not heard from Zone 3.

- c. **Clarification of eligibility for the 800/1000 and 1500/1650 events in Zone-4 meets:** can the requirement for an official time in the 400/500 freestyle be satisfied earlier in the **same meet**?

14. New Business:

a. 2013 Zone-4 All-star Team:

- **TEAM MANAGER:** Louise Marin will serve again as Team Manager and organizing contact.
- **COACHES NEEDED:**
13-14 _____ 11-12 _____ 9-10 girls _____ 9-10 boys _____
- **ATHLETES NEEDED!** - ALL Coaches please start identifying and encouraging eligible swimmers for the Zone 4 All-star team. Swimmers must have at least 3 Pacific-A times in ANY events (in their age as of 3/3/13), and are NOT eligible if they have participated in Pacific Coast All-stars, Western Zone Championships, or North American Challenge Cup.
- **Proposal:** Allow 2012 OR 2013 Pacific-A times for eligibility (**Action Item**).
- **Applications** will be available shortly, will likely be due by late January, making January meet the last chance for times.

- b. **Proposed elimination of No-Show rule for Zone meets:** discussion of possible response to Pacific Swimming (**Action Item**). See separate attachment.

15. Adjourn