

Pacific Swimming Zone 4 Board of Directors Meeting

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Minutes

Sunday January 10, 2021, 5:37 pm

Notice: the Board reserves the right to take agenda items out of sequence for the efficient conduct of business.

1. Attendance:

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jim Morefield (UN-Chair)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Kat Matheson (DDST)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Carlos Torres (CARS Z4 Ath Rep)
<input type="checkbox"/> Sharon Weiss (LAKE-Vice Chair)	<input type="checkbox"/> Nenad Rodic (LAKE)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Aidan Pflieger (RENO Z4 Ath Rep)
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Julie Hardt (CARS-Secretary)	<input type="checkbox"/> Kim Klatt (CARS)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Amelia Brady (NNA Z4 Ath Rep)
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jerry Rudd (UN-Treasurer)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Erik Scalise (NNA)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Justin LoPresto (DDST Z4 Ath Rep)
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ryan Evans (RENO - Safety)	<input type="checkbox"/> Larry Phippen (TAHO)	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/> Kendra Follett (RENO-Officials)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jo Ann Porter (Scheduling Rep)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sofia DeLange (CARS Ath Rep)
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Valerie Rudd (UN-Officials)	<input type="checkbox"/> Brendon Bray (UNEV)	<input type="checkbox"/> Nikolas Powers (LAKE Ath Rep)
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Andrea Sullivan (NNA-Sanctions)	<input type="checkbox"/> Brittany Rossi (BST)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Delaney Sullivan (NNA Ath Rep)
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Veronica Harmon (Safe Sport Rep)	<input type="checkbox"/> Stephen Winzenread (BST)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Addison Crain (RENO Ath Rep)
<input type="checkbox"/> _____ (MLST)	<input type="checkbox"/> Bryan Bartilucci (MLST)	<input type="checkbox"/> Jerry Guebard (TAHO Ath Rep)
GUESTS:		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Kelly Schott (LAKE-HOST)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Christine Aramini (RENO)	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ron Harmon (NNA)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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2. Review & Approval of November minutes (Action Item). Correction of September minutes - Sofia DeLange was present (Action Item).

- a. November Minutes approved as submitted.
- b. September minutes approved to correct the attendance list to include Sofia DeLange.

3. Next Meeting Sunday March 14, 2021, 5:30 pm (possible Action Item)

- a. Future meetings (Sundays): March 14, May 9, July 11, Sept 12, Nov. 14 (???), Jan. 9, March 13
- b. March 14 agreed for next meeting date.

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

- a. No members of the public present.

5. Announcements & Correspondence:

- a. **Congratulations to Emma Karam (RENO) and Luke Hobson (LAKE)** for their performances during the 2020 Toyota US Open Championships November 12-14 at the Irvine, CA venue. **Emma** competed in 4 events, including a national 12th place finish and new Olympic Trials cut of 2:14.25 in 200m backstroke. **Luke** competed in 7 events, including a 23rd place finish of 3:57.83 in 400m freestyle, less than 1 second off the Trials cut.
- b. **Pacific Swimming Travel Support** forms for the US Open are due to Pacific Swimming by **January 15**.
- c. **Reminder: all Zone-4 elected officers and appointed chairs must be 2021 USA Swimming members in good standing.**
- d. **Reminder: 2021 Team dues** (\$100 year-round; \$50 seasonal) are now due (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: \$17,464.97
 - ii. Net Income (Loss): Period: \$0.00 / YTD: \$0.00

7. Safety Report:

- a. No recent safety incidents or issues.

8. Safe Sport:

- a. LSC Safe Sport Committee report (rep. Veronica Harmon) – No news to report, but will be meeting immediately following this Zone 4 meeting.

9. Other LSC Reports:

- a. **Board of Directors** (reps. Rudds/Morefield) -- last BOD meeting 11/18, next meeting 2/17 via Zoom. Added tighter restrictions for sanctioning Open Water meets in Pacific. House of Delegates scheduled for May 23, and nominations are open. Emergency **Executive Committee** meeting 12/4 to deal with new CA covid restrictions and currently sanctioned meets, added some required meet sheet language; next regular meeting 1/20. **Dues and Fees Task Force** meeting every 2 weeks, working on proposals for adjusting membership dues and meet fees, and prioritizing programs to fund in upcoming budgets; next meeting January 25.
- b. **Diversity, Equity, & Inclusion Committee** (reps. Valerie Rudd/D'Lisa Crain) – December meeting, successful online auction raising about \$8000. Next meeting will be January 28.
- c. **Athlete Committee** (reps. Carlos Torres, Aidan Pflieger, Amelia Brady, Justin LoPresto, Sofia DeLange, Nikolas Powers, Delaney Sullivan, Addison Crain, Jerry Guebard) – November meeting: athlete succession subcommittee working on document for HOD meeting, pen pal subcommittee, survey sent out to LSC athletes about Pacific budget issues, talk about creating a mental health program for members due to the difficult year.
- d. **Open Water Committee** (rep. Erik Scalise) – no recent activity.
- e. **Senior Committee** (rep. Kat Matheson) – no recent activity.
- f. **Age Group Committee** (rep. Jim Morefield) -- meeting planned soon to discuss JOs and Far Westerns.
- g. **Governance Committee** (rep. Jim Morefield) -- meetings held Nov 12, Dec 3, Jan 7. Working on upcoming nominations, composition of Personnel Committee.
- h. **Finance & Investment Committees** (rep. Jerry Rudd) -- committee reviews LSC financial statements, reports, and accounting procedures on a monthly basis. Next meeting January 14.
- i. **Scheduling Committee** (rep. Jo Ann Porter) -- no recent activity. Putting out feelers to other committees about JOs and Far Westerns logistics, including shortening the 120 day lead time on canceling or postponing to perhaps 60 or 90 days.

10. Coaches & Clubs Reports:

- a. **Updates on practices, competitions, facilities, etc.**
 - i. CARS: Holding pattern. Same training protocols and times.
 - ii. DDST: Tighter quarters for training with the closing of the outdoor pool for the winter. Were granted some extra lane space for their swim-a-thon next month, which will be helpful for fundraising. They've lost a few families. Had a few swimmers attend a meet in Arizona and were happy with the health protection.
 - iii. LAKE: The holding pattern continues, but right alongside staying in the present, the swimmers have a patient eye on the future... to a time when they can step up and make their new best times official. Everyone is working on staying focused on a range of areas, from personal improvement, health and school, to college admittance, time standards, and so much more.
 - iv. NNA: Holding pattern for training, etc. Everything going smoothly. Tahoe was able to swim for two weeks, but now they are shut down again because of CA restrictions with COVID.
 - v. RENO: Things going well all things considered. Holding pattern for training restrictions/requirements. Had a few swimmers go to competitions. Was nice to be back at a meet, even with health requirements. Mental health and training vigor increased after competition. Sidenote: Ron from Sandpipers mentioned idea of having the NV State at the Red Rock pool in St. George, UT. 50m pool means more space, good facility, travel was relatively easy (90 minutes outside of Vegas and 8 hours from Northern NV), community had affordable hotels/amenities.
 - vi. RENO Athlete Rep: attended meet in St. George and felt it was really helpful to be able to compete again. Health restrictions included temperature checks, mask wearing, athletes only on deck (spectator free – but with livestreaming), limit on number of athletes for the meet.
 - vii. CARS Athlete Rep: haven't attended any meets since the shutdown, and anxious to attend meets but in a way that is safe to compete. Likes Sharon's idea of setting up meet opportunities, especially for those who are seniors in high school.
 - viii. Second RENO Athlete Rep: question about whether vaccines will be required for participation at swim meets. Kelly Schott discussed that the vaccine is not recommended for children 16 and under, so it is unlikely to be a requirement for youth sport.

11. Officials Report:

- a. Upcoming clinics and activities.
 - i. Certification status: Valerie sent out notices of certification status for local officials.
 - ii. PacSwim Zoom Clinic: There is meant to be a Zoom clinic on January 30th. There will be a meeting on Jan. 13 to discuss logistics. Each Zone will do their own basic clinic in the morning, then the afternoon will have the more advanced/specialized clinics.
 - iii. Membership status: Query whether Zone 4 has lost any officials for COVID. Couple of families who may have left due to moving out of the area or leaving the sport, but none known for COVID as yet.

12. Sanctioning Report:

- a. Pacswim Intrasquad Template: submit through zones first. The biggest change is a clarification under the rules section about local facility guidelines and their interpretation of the health guidelines that will be followed.

13. Scheduling Report (2020-2021):

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

- BST: Jun 11-13
- CARS: May 28-30
- DDST: Feb 5-7; Jul 30-Aug 1 or Aug 6-8
- NNA: Mar 27-28; July 16-18 or 23-25
- RENO: May 16; Jun 18-20
- TAHO: Jun 25-27
- ZONE-4: May ??-?? (Observed HS Regionals)

- b. Zone 4 sanction for a virtual competition: Sharon (LAKE) is interested in pursuing a 'Zone 4' sanction for a virtual competition, such that one pool is set up for a meet over a weekend or even for a single day to see how it goes. We could start with our older swimmers for a test run. Each team has a block of time, enough for warm-ups and a selected number of events for kids to do time trials. We would schedule time between each mini session for cleaning, etc., and we'd run several teams each day. Then we'd compile the times. Pool fees and any other expenses could be shared among the teams or could be hosted by 'Zone 4'? Just an idea, but it seems like it might be much easier for our zone to pull this off together and it could be both fun and productive. We could even use this as an opportunity to train officials. Having a local meet opportunity would be much better for managing current health concerns (e.g., travel, contacts, etc.). We could even shoot for a multi-weekend series to include young ones and so on. I understand we may need to wait a little longer, but this seems doable.

- i. Ryan (RENO) – open to the idea. On Sundays, Lakeridge/Reno/NNA have the use of Northwest Pool so the cost of renting that facility may be cheaper than the Carson Pool. At the moment, there is still a stay on youth sport competition for the state, so we are all in a bit of a holding pattern.

c. Preliminary 2021-2022 Meet Schedule (discussion only, for approval in March or May).

- i. Because of ambiguity over creeping dates of months, there are multiple dates listed for some of the meets. Something to think about for the next meeting.
- ii. Due to uncertainty of COVID, we may delay our finalized schedule to May instead of March. The biggest impact would be to DDST for their September meet and RENO in October.

14. Old Business and Action Items:

- a. No old business.

15. New Business:

- a. No new business.

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

- a. No business.

17. Adjourned: 6:34pm