

Pacific Swimming Zone 4 Board of Directors Meeting

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Minutes

Sunday September 8, 2024, 5:32 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"/> Kelly Schott (LAKE)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Bella Pflieger (RENO Z4-PC Rep)
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sharon Weiss (LAKE-Vice Chair)	<input type="checkbox"/> Nenad Rodic (LAKE)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Millie Grieve (LAKE Z4 Ath Rep)
<input type="checkbox"/> Julie Hardt (CARS-Secretary)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Kat Matheson (DDST)	<input type="checkbox"/> Gracie Goss (DDST Z4 Ath Rep)
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Malia O'Brien (DDST-Treasurer)	<input type="checkbox"/> Erik Scalise (NNA)	<input type="checkbox"/> Pulin Muangsiri (NNA Ath Rep)
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jo Ann Porter (LAKE-Safety)	<input type="checkbox"/> Jeff Edmonds (TAHO)	<input type="checkbox"/> Kalia Ream (RENO Ath Rep)
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Roger Pflieger (RENO-Officials)	<input type="checkbox"/> Brendon Bray (UNEV)	<input type="checkbox"/> Jake Cruz (NNA Ath Rep)
<input type="checkbox"/> Valerie Rudd (UN-Officials)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mark Faherty (RENO)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Hadley Peck (DDST Ath Rep)
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Teri Galvin (RENO-Sanctions)	<input type="checkbox"/> Brittany Rossi (BST)	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Veronica Harmon (NNA-Safe Sport)	<input type="checkbox"/> Pam Hennarty (BST)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Dan Landon (RENO)
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> Barrett Tester (MLST)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Morgan McCord (NNA)
<input type="checkbox"/> GUESTS:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> Jerry Rudd (UN)
<input type="checkbox"/> Ron Harmon (NNA)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Kobi Kothman (DDST)	<input type="checkbox"/> Kelly Rowlett (DDST)
<input type="checkbox"/> Lindsay Robertson (NNA)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jeremy Murray (RENO)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Debbie Patrick (LAKE)

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

2. Review & Approval of July minutes (Action Item).

a. Approved as written.

3. Next Meeting Sunday November 3, 5:30 pm

a. Future meetings (Sundays): Jan 12, March 9, May 11, July 13, Sept 14, **Nov 2???**, Jan 11

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:

- Congratulations to **Luke Hobson (LAKE)** on becoming our first ever Olympic swimming medalist from Zone 4 and northern Nevada! Luke took Bronze in a closely contested medal race (top three within 0.07 seconds!) in the 200m Freestyle at the 2024 Paris games with a personal best time of 1:44.79. He also led off the 4x200m Freestyle Relay, earning a silver medal with his teammates.
- USA Swimming Scholastic All-America applications are due online September 6th.** Athletes grades 9-12 qualify with a 3.5 GPS or better, and at least one Winter Junior time or one 2023-2024 Para Scholastic All American time. Visit <https://www.usaswimming.org/times/popular-resources/scholastic-all-america> for details and application.
- Any and all remaining requests for Zone-4 Travel Support for the past swimming year are due to the Zone 4 Treasurer** by Sunday September 15. These must include receipts for eligible travel and lodging. Complete requirements are in section 6 of Zone-4 Policies and Procedures available at <http://www.pacswim.org/members/zones/zone-4/z4-bylaws-policies>.
- Pacific Travel Support Deadlines are approaching** for summer Futures and Speedo Championships. See <https://www.pacswim.org/documents/forms/Travel-Support> for more info.
- Next House of Delegates Meeting Wednesday, October 16th, 7:00-9:00 pm, via Zoom.** Stay tuned to <http://www.pacswim.org/members/delegates> for registration and call-in information, and be sure your club representative information is up to date with the Pacific Swimming Registration Chair.
- Please stay tuned to [pacswim.org](http://www.pacswim.org) for frequent important announcements.**
- Other announcements? N/A

6. Financial Report:

- a. Update on Treasurer transition
 - i. Transition from Jerry Rudd to Malia O'Brien going well; checks for new bank account ordered; Quickbooks per Pacific Swimming in process.
- b. Current balances and recent activity.
 - i. With transition in the works, no statements at this meeting.
- c. Year-end statements (**Action Item**). N/A (see above)
- d. 2024-2025 Budget (**possible Action Item**) N/A (see above)

7. Safety Report:

- a. Athlete - collision with in-water training bucket during practice, possible concussion
- b. Official - arm injury while securing meet equipment in wind storm
- c. Athlete - aggravation of previous ankle injury during warmup
- d. Athlete - stubbed toe on deck during meet breaking skin
- e. Athlete - wasp sting at meet requiring Epi Pen and ER follow-up
- f. Athletes - head-to-head collision during practice, one possible concussion
- g. Any other safety incidents or issues? None.

8. Safe Sport:

- a. LSC Safe Sport Committee report (rep. Kelly Schott) – An important reminder that we are mandated reporters. With that, when it comes to reporting, always err on the side of caution; if you see something, say something.
- b. Other issues or questions? Concern regarding the Western Zone Age Group Championships (Boise, Idaho, Aug 7-10, 2024), where a coach was sent home during the meet for unsportsmanlike conduct. This outcome had a negative impact on athletes and calls into question the coach selection process for the meet; additionally, there has been no follow up. While this all-star experience has been outstanding over the years, this incident tarnishes Pacific Swimming and the meet as a whole.

9. Other LSC Reports:

- a. **Board of Directors** (reps. Jim Morefield, Erik Scalise, Kelly Schott, Bella Pflieger, Gracie Goss) -- Last BOD meeting 7/17, last Exec meeting 8/14. Next BOD meeting 9/18. Minutes available on the Pacific Swimming website.
- b. **Disability, Diversity, Equity, & Inclusion Committee** (rep. Valerie Rudd) – N/A
- c. **Athlete Committee** (reps. Bella Pflieger, Jake Cruz, Gracie Goss, Millie Grieve, Pulin Muangsiri, Hadley Peck, Kalia Ream) – The upcoming Pacific Swimming Athlete Leadership Summit (Oct 12-13, 2024) in Pleasant Hill will include a Fitter and Faster Clinic; Bella was the sole Zone 4 rep at the Pacific Swimming Board Workshop.
- d. **Open Water Committee** (rep. Erik Scalise) – N/A
- e. **Senior Committee** (rep. Kat Matheson) – N/A
- f. **Age Group Committee** (rep. Mark Faherty) – Qualifying time standards for Far Westerns discussed and host/location for Winter Age Group Championships (12/6-12/9) TBD
- g. **Governance Committee** (rep. & chair Jim Morefield) -- Last meeting 7/18. Drafting Performance Assessment Plan for the Pacific BOD and Committees. Ongoing work on Policies & Procedures. Next meeting 9/19.
- h. **Personnel Committee** (rep. Jim Morefield) --last meeting 7/24 (missed). Next meeting TBD.
- i. **Finance & Investment Committees** (rep. Malia O'Brien) -- committee reviews LSC financial statements, reports, and accounting procedures on a monthly basis. N/A
- j. **Scheduling Committee** (rep. Jim Stretch) – N/A

10. Coaches & Clubs Reports:

- a. Updates on meets, practices, facilities, etc.?
 - i. The new Moana Springs facility in Reno is fantastic.
- b. Other discussion?
 - i. Due to a windstorm at the High Country Championships in Minden (August), DDST suffered considerable losses to equipment. They reached out to all regarding what teams do with respect to insuring their equipment and look forward to applying for upcoming Pacific Swimming grants.

11. Officials Report:

- a. Pacific Swimming all-Officials Clinic Saturday October 12, 2024, in Pleasant Hill, CA. No basic Stroke & Turn at the Clinic on October 12. For details see <https://www.pacswim.org/members/zones/officials/officials-clinic>
- b. Other recent or upcoming clinics and activities? N/A

12. Sanctioning Report:

- a. Meets currently sanctioned through October. November next.
- b. **Reminder:** assigned officials, Meet Directors, and host clubs all need to have all USA Swimming membership requirements up to date for the dates of the meets.

13. Scheduling Report (2024-2025):

- a. **Current approved schedule (notify promptly of any proposed changes):**
- BST: June 14-15
 - CARS: Nov 8½-11; Jan 17½-19; May 23½-25
 - DDST: Sep 13½-15; Feb 7½-9; **Aug 1-3 or 8-10**
 - NNA: Mar 15-16; July 11-13
 - RENO: Oct 18½-20; May 11??; June 20-22
 - ZONE-4: May 9-10 (Obs HS Regionals); May 17 (Obs HS State)
- b. Any additions or changes? (**possible Action Items**)

14. Old Business and Action Items:

- a. Amendment to Zone 4 Bylaws exempting Nevada State Championships from the Zone 4 Minimum Officials Rule - final vote (**Action Item**) Motion passed.
- b. Amendment to Zone 4 Policies & Procedures regarding eligibility to enter long-distance events. Tabled for next meeting.

15. New Business:

- a. **Discussion item** - institute priority meet entries week for some or all meets? Zone 4 policy, or host discretion? Tabled for next meeting.

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

- a. Only if needed to address any confidential matters. (**possible Action Item**)

17. Adjourn 7:01 pm

Respectfully Submitted, Sharon M Weiss, Vice Chair, Zone 4