

Hawaiian Swimming Board of Directors Meeting
January 24, 2021
9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.
Via ZOOM

Attendance: Jon Hayashida, Dave Coleman, Sandy Drake, Gwenn Tomiyoshi, Stephanie Monahan, Deb Christian, Korrie Tengan, Kai Mottley, Mike Osborne, Mark Noetzel, TJ Barrett, Malcolm Cooper, Reid Yamamoto

MINUTES

- I. **Meeting Called to Order – 9:35am**
 - A. Introductions & Announcements- Jon said in calls in USA Swimming, some clubs still are not in the pool, there are still over 400 clubs across the country that do not have access to pools.
 - B. Appointments- Stephanie Monahan- Official's Chair and Sandy Drake will take the role of Official's Rep until December when a new one will be voted by the officials.
 - C. Consent Agenda – Registration, Age Group Chair, Maui Rep, and Senior Chair via google drive. Approved by BOD of Consent Agenda items.
- II. **Administrative Reports**
 - A. Secretary (Minutes) – November HOD minutes in google docs- Approved as written and will be sent to next HOD meeting for approval.
 - B. Treasurer – in google docs – hardly any activity. There are some uncleared checks. Deb doesn't have the 2019 information. Jon said he now has it from Bobby Dugar. Jon, Dave, and Deb will get together to go over information. Dave asked Deb could put a by-line in under USA Swimming registration showing what years the income is from. Gwenn will need to work with Deb to determine what deposits are made for the year's registration. Dave stressed we need to keep in mind the actual income we have when we come to the budget.
 - C. Membership/Registration Coordinator – in google docs – one organization (OSL) has not registered, one club will not renew its registration. Kona Aquatics is now called Kona Aquatics, INC.
 - D. National Times Verification Administrator – No meets so there are no uploads. Swim Kauai will have a meet in February.
- III. **Chairperson Reports**
 - A. Administrative Vice Chair – Nothing to report.
 - B. Finance Vice Chair– An audit was done on January 3rd. There were still quite a few expenses in 2019 without expense report attached. Mike put together an accounting handbook for the LSC. Deb is going to look through it. Mike said it looks like we will need to adjust part of the budget that he had proposed. Mike will send Deb a budget so she can run a comparison report on what the actual difference was.
 - C. Senior Vice Chair– in google docs – proposal by Eric to add the International Senior Cup in Florida to the list of reimbursement meets. Board changing

reimbursement amount to match what is given for Sectionals. It will now read: "proposing to add the 2021 International Senior Cup Championship Meet which will be held in St. Petersburg, FL, on March 23-27, 2021 to the 2020-2021 Senior Travel Reimbursement Program with reimbursement to athletes and coaches to match the Sectional reimbursement." Approved by the board. The Senior Championship meet will depend on restrictions due to COVID.

- D. Age Group Vice Chair – in google docs
- E. Technical Planning Chair– nothing to report
- F. Safe Sport Chair– There is a Safe Sport timeline for all clubs to be a Safe Sport recognized club. One of the difficulties clubs are having are getting the parents and athletes to make an account on USA Swimming and going through the videos. Each club is required to have a Safe Sport chair. If one does not have one identified, then either an assistant coach, club president, or delegate will be named.
- G. DEI Chair– there's a zone meeting Monday.
- H. Officials' Chair – Stephanie has been reviewing the certifications of officials. She's looking into Zoom trainings for officials which will include COVID protocols.
- I. Governance Chair – He needs to get his committee together.

IV. **Representative Member Reports**

- A. Coach Representatives– We need to schedule an election to get a Junior coach rep. Reid sent out the cancellation of the Sectionals. He thinks the Zone is looking at either having it in Arizona or Utah.
- B. Officials' Representative– Will help the Official's Chair for Zoom trainings.
- C. Athlete Representatives– not in attendance. The at-large athlete reps had nothing to report.
- D. At-Large Maui Representatives-in google docs
- E. At-Large Hawaii Island Representatives– Mark said teams are now back in the pools. He's working on a March 13 sanction for a meet at the HPA pool. There are some people working with the county on getting the pool in Kona set. Teams are allowed 5 per lane.
- F. At-Large Oahu Representatives– We need to find someone who can verify that OSL will be continuing since they haven't paid their registration.

V. **Old Business:** None

VI. **New Business:**

- 1. 2021 is a year we are eligible to have a Symposium. We can either do it virtually this year or wait for 2022 and have an in-person Symposium. It was suggested we wait for the in-person but have a virtual session for coaches in the 2nd weekend in October.

VII. **Final Comments:**

- 1. We did an informal contact with lawyers who do what is called "Administrative Law" (they or their firms) and their current advice is that no one is currently

focused on these issues because the rules change too quickly to justify investing time in developing a position. Lawyers may be useful in responding to a specific ruling or to defend specific alleged violations of the rules. Contacting the Board of Health may be the best route to get specific information on specific situations, though the inherent ambiguity of the rules is the source of many different interpretations.

2. We support getting our swimmers in the water. Therefore, we should ask the teams that have found ways to get in the water to summarize for the swimming community what they have done and how they are complying with the rules in the private facilities they are using. Working with other teams to develop opportunities to swim and sharing how implementation of practice plans meets county/facility requirements would be helpful to the health of the whole swimming community.
3. We can then provide the information to the LSC community so they know how they might move forward and support them with the best information we can gather for our situations on the different islands.
4. We should renew our advocacy with the counties and state for changes in the rules that are consistent with the best evidence, providing both local and national data. Current teams who are practicing should be asked to provide updates on any COVID incidences (or lack thereof) to the LSC to include in the ongoing advocacy.
5. While the LSC has no authority to prevent member transfers to clubs who are able to get pool time and train, the Board holds that it is unethical to recruit swimmers on the basis of inequitable access to pools. Some suggested that teams not accept transfers, but attempt to accommodate swimmers from other teams without requiring they transfer if at all possible. After the pandemic, we can revisit those transfer applications.
6. Jon has posted the schedule for all upcoming BOD/HOD meetings.

VIII. **Adjournment:** 11:31

Respectfully submitted by
Sandy Drake
Hawaiian Swimming Secretary