# Hawaiian Swimming LSC House of Delegates Meeting

April 13, 2025 @ 9:30am, Pacific Club Honolulu

### Minutes (Draft)

#### Attendance:

- 1. Call to Order: 9:38am
- 2. Review Minutes of October, 2024
  - a. Action: Tabled due to minutes not being available
- 3. Consent Agenda –
- 4. Treasurer's Report: Tabled
- 5. Registrar's Report:
  - a. Current registered athletes count is 2466. (Compared to 2508 in March of 2024.)
  - b. There will be a Zoom meeting on April 30th to go over new registration procedures. Club registrars, please contact Gwenn if you have not received the link.
  - c. A lot of athletes are not completing their Athlete Protection Training (APT) when they turn 18. Please make sure that athletes who will be turning 18 complete their APT. They are not allowed to participate if APT is not completed.
- 6. Old Business/Action Items:
- 7. New Business
  - a. Change to Policy and Procedure document (Article V requires HOD Approval)
    - i. Section 5.02 See the full change below
      - 1. Action:
        - a. Motion made to discuss by Malcolm Cooper. Seconded by Reid Yamamoto.
        - b. Friendly Amendment: Non-registered athletes entered in a meet by a HISI club and discovered with the recon report will be subject to a \$100 fine for the athlete. (Motion made by Malcolm Cooper, seconded by Jon Hayashida.)
        - c. Changes approved unanimously.
  - b. Discussion: rates of reimbursement for hospitality at Championship meets
    - i. Current rate for hospitality for championship meets is \$500 per session.
    - ii. Costs were approximately \$5000 in total at the last State Championships.
    - iii. The rate has not gone up, but costs have gone up.
    - iv. Officials looking for better quality of food/healthier food options.
    - v. Raising to \$750 would be a good start,
    - vi. Get officials count and give better meals only to the officials.
    - vii. Request sponsors for meals?
  - c. Discussion: Kauai would like to host a championship meet, specifically JAGs
    - i. Gives swimmers on Kauai who have not made states an opportunity to compete against other teams.

- ii. Short course JAGs not possible in Kauai with current rules due to LSC requirements for championship meets: Need officials on both sides and warm down pool.
- iii. Dave suggested that Kauai apply to host JAGs and propose dates.
- iv. Being in a competition should not depend on whether or not you have money!
- v. Organize with hotels to hold a block for championship meets.

#### REPORTS:

- 1. Administrative Vice-Chair:
  - a. Nothing new to report
  - b. Will interject on Senior Vice-Chair report.
- 2. Technical Committee Chair:
  - a. With Age Group report.
- 3. Financial Vice-Chair
  - a. No report
- 4. Age Group Vice-Chair
  - a. Age Group Champs discussion:
    - i. Long Course Champs: Keep the same time standards as last year.
    - ii. Keep 50s in the meet.
    - iii. Need time standards quickly
  - b. Length of champ meets:
    - i. Time standards need to be tightened/lowered, especially for 15-18
    - ii. Take 200s out of finals for 11&12s. Only timed finals for 200 Fly & 200 IM
- 5. Senior Vice-Chair
  - a. Senior Champs:
    - i. Proposing to add 50 sprint events (50 Fly, 50 Back, & 50 Breast) for Senior Champs. These are referred to as "Dash Events". No qualification time for Dash Events and will not count against bonus times, but must be qualified for the meet.
    - ii. Finals for 200 and above will be A & B finals.
    - iii. 100s & 50s will be A, B, & C finals.
    - iv. Max 7 events total. Max 3 events/day.
  - b. Reid Yamamoto appointed as Senior Chair. He will be taking the remainder of Scott Pinter's term.
- 6. Club, Athlete, and Special Events Coordinator

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- 7. Times/SWIMS Coordinator
  - a. Things will be posted by tomorrow.
- 8. Athlete's Representatives
  - a. Applications coming in for reps.
  - b. Election will be held at Seniors in June
- 9. Coaches' Representatives
  - a. No report

### 10. Officials Representative

- a. Lots of new officials are being registered. Clubs are taking official quotas seriously.
- b. Officials survey conducted. Findings were that the length of the meet was way too long.
- c. Concerns regarding lighting. Suggestions to create premeet lighting tests. Suggestion to have in writing in the meet notice that the meet director, meet referee, and safety director have the ability to stop the meet if they feel that conditions are unsafe.
- d. Suggestions for more food options at meets.
- e. Suggestion to up the officials' (travel) reimbursement and to do this on a sliding scale. This will be brought up to BOD.

### 11. Officials Chair

- a. Reported with Officials Rep.
- 12. Safety (Operational Risk) Chair
  - a. Proposal for Addition of Safety Requirements to the Sanction Application Process
  - b. HOD authorized board
- 13. Neighbor Island Representatives
  - d. Maui
  - e. Big Island:
    - i. Senior invitational
  - f. Kauai

### Announcements

- a. Zones 2025:
  - i. Must have at least 1 qualifying time this year!

Motion to adjourn by Reid, Seconded by Jon. Adjourned at 11:35am.

Policies and Procedures change to Section 5.02

Purpose: clarify that the section applies to athletes entered into meets, and the parties that are responsible for any fines imposed for non-compliance.

### Original language:

### Section 5.02 NON-REGISTERED SWIMMERS

The Registration Coordinator of Hawaiian Swimming has the right to confer penalties after the fact (subsequent to the meet) if, in the due course of time, violations come to his/her attention.

- 1. The penalty for a non-registered swimmer participating in a meet will be a hundred-dollar (\$100) fine per swimmer per event swum.
- 2. The penalty is in accordance with USA Swimming Rules and is payable within 30 days of written notification.

### Amendment:

### Section 5.02 NON-REGISTERED ATHLETES

The Registration Coordinator of Hawaiian Swimming has the right to confer penalties after the fact (subsequent to the meet) if, in the due course of time, violations come to his/her attention.

- 1. The penalty for a non-registered <u>athlete</u> participating in a meet will be a hundred- dollar (\$100) fine per <u>athlete</u> per event swum. <u>Penalty will be charged to the entry club including athletes transferring to a club. If athlete is unattached and not affiliated with a club the athlete will be charged with the non-registered athlete penalty.</u>
- 2. Non-registered athletes entered in a meet and discovered with the RECON report will be subject to the penalty for a non-registered athlete. Non-registered athletes entered in a meet by a HISI club and discovered with the RECON report will be subject to a \$100 penalty for a non-registered athlete.
- 3. The penalty is in accordance with USA Swimming Rules and is payable within 30 days of written notification.

### **REGISTRATION COMPARISON 2015 - 2025**

Months	2014	Run-total	2015	Run-total	2016	Run-Total	2017	Run-total	2018	Run-total		2019
Sept	252	252	588	588	347	359	369	369	608	608	Sept	424
Oct	813	1065	775	1363	689	1065	531	900	543	1151	Oct	623
Nov	407	1472	426	1789	420	1492	849	1749	404	1555	Nov	288
Dec	771	2243	602	2391	753	2247	707	2456	671	2226	Dec	880
Jan	331	2574	304	2695	320	2569	278	2734	210	2436	Jan	262
Feb	184	2758	222	2917	253	2828	132	2866	239	2675	Feb	172
March	93	2851	68	2985	141	2978	149	3015	125	2800	March	77
April	97	2948	68	3053	92	3078	67	3082	127	2927	April	56
May	115	3063	167	3220	89	3167	102	3184	46	2973	May	119
June	138	3201	143	3363	99	3272	97	3281	113	3086	June	125
July	68	3269	75	3438	48	3323	25	3306	42	3128	July	56
August	27	0	83	3521	11	3334	34	3340	32	3160	August	44
Total	3296	3269	3521	3521	3262	3341	3340	3343	3160	3160		3126

Months	2020	Run-total	Months	2021 Season	Run-Total	2022 Sec	ason	Run-total	2023 Season		Run-total
Sept	753	753	June	11	11	Sept	365	365	Sept	1098	1098
Oct	448	1201	July	58	69	Oct	414	779	Oct	534	1632
Nov	305	1506	August	43	112	Nov	536	1315	Nov	257	1889
Dec	886	2392	Sept	39	151	Dec	601	1917	Dec	393	2282
Jan	153	2545	Oct	59	210	Jan	315	2232	Jan	270	2552
Feb	62	2607	Nov	204	414	Feb	48	2280	Feb	116	2668
March	73	2680	Dec	756	1170	March	107	2387	March	140	2808
April	6	2686	Jan	365	1536	April	137	2524	April	91	2899
May	0	2686	Feb	207	1743	May	82	2606	May	122	3021
		2686	March	118	1861	June	131	2737	June	113	3134
			April	89	1950	July	106	2843	July	65	3199
			May	120	2070	Aug	24		Aug	55	3254

	Ju	une	141	2211		2867	total	3254
	Ju	uly	81	2292				
	Αι	ugust	28	2320				
				2320				

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2024 Season		Run-total		2025 Season		Run-total
Sept	748	748		Sept	1125	1125
Oct	292	1040		Oct	216	1341
Nov	414	1454		Nov	189	1530
Dec	645	2099		Dec	452	1982
Jan	265	2364		Jan	299	2281
Feb	82	2446		Feb	76	2357
March	62	2508		March	109	2466
April	68	2576		April		
May	80	2656		May		
June	59	2715		June		
July	41	2756		July		
Aug	41	2798		Aug		
TOTAL		2798				



## FACILITY SAFETY CHECKLIST (formerly Hazard Identification Risk Analysis)

Name of Facility:	_
Completed by:	Date:

Deck Checklist	YES OR NO	ACTION TAKEN	DATE OF CHECKLIST
Safety equipment in good condition and available			
Rescue tubes and straps in good condition and available			
Backboards with head immobilizers and straps readily accessible			
First Aid station clean, supplies accessible and well stocked.			
First Aid equipment-AED and oxygen equipment accessible			
Emergency phone numbers posted and visible			
Rules posted and clearly visible			
Deck not slippery and in good condition – no raised edges, cracked tiles, etc.			

All equipment used by patrons stored properly		
Ladders secured properly		

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Pool Checklist	YES OR NO	ACTION TAKEN	DATE OF CHECKLIST
Steps not slippery and in good condition			
Ramp not slippery and in good condition			
Lane lines attached properly and buoys intact – no sharp edges  Water temperature in the pool meet the USA Swimming Regulation 103.7  Pool depth markings/warnings are clearly visible			
Water color and clarity satisfactory			
Pool free of debris and drain cover secured			
Gutters cover intact and with no sharp edges			

Water chemical readings and circulation meet the local ordinance standards  Starting blocks are anchored properly and secure  Starting blocks starting surface – non-slippery			
Ladders to diving boards – Closed  Starting blocks properly labeled or closed for warm-ups			
Backstroke flags at the correct distance and height			
Locker rooms	YES OR NO	ACTION TAKEN	DATE OF CHECKLIST
All areas clean and free of algae  Floors clean and not slippery			
Drains clean and wastebaskets empty			
Lighting fixtures operate  properly Drinking fountains and			

sinks clean			
Lockers/benches secured in place with no rough edges			
Toilets and urinals clean and operating			
Toilet and paper towels stocked and supplies available			
Locker rooms clear of glass objects			
Chemical Storage Areas	YES OR NO	ACTION	DATE OF
		TAKEN	CHECKLIST
Chemicals stored properly			
Doors labeled properly			
Signs legible and in good condition			

Doors locked		
No suspicious odors		
Other Areas of Concern	YES OR NO	ACTION  DATE OF  TAKEN  CHECKLIST
Building exits are free of debris, permitting easy access and egress		
Fences and gates surrounding the facility are in safe and working order		
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Entrances to the pool area can be locked to prevent access during non operating hours		
Pavement is in good condition and lighting is visible		
Notes:		
<b>Emergency Plans</b>	YES OR NO	Communicated Date

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Facility Emergency Action Plan		

Facility Weather Action Plan		
Emergency equipment is readily accessible  LSC Incident Report Form Available		
LSC Incident Report Form Has Been Completed and Filed IF APPLICABLE		

A signature is required of one of the following:	
Facility Director	Date
Meet Director	Date
Referee	Date
Designated Safety Officer	Date

This checklist is only a guideline and a sample template for reference or use. You should check your particular pool and facility for additional applications.

Not all safety concerns are on this list. Your facility may have unique concerns that must be addressed as the situation requires.

A Facility Safety Checklist should be completed annually and prior to any competition or event being held at the facility

Submit completed form to AMS Operational Risk Chair@ operationalrisk@amswim.org

# Operational Risk Update 4/12/2025

- Continual pushback about following the Warm and Cool-Down procedure from coaches.
   This is not only something that is done in Oahu. This should be something done throughout the LSC at every meet.
- 2. Concern about the lighting issue during Kona Champs. Did speak to both the meet director and meet referee about day 1's lack of light. Saint-Marie has submitted an inquiry to the National ORC about guidance about what should be happening if a similar situation were to happen again.
- 3. For New Business, please see Proposal for Addition of Safety Requirements to the Sanction Application Process.

### Proposal for Addition of Safety Requirements to the Sanction Application Process

**Submitted by:** Saint-Marie Gough **Committee:** Operational Risk

**Date:** April 12, 2025

### **Proposal Summary**

This proposal recommends that the following two items be made **mandatory** additions to the existing Sanction Application process for all meets:

- 1. **Signed acknowledgment** that the meet host will adhere to the **LSC's Warm-Up/Cool-Down Procedures** included in the HISI P&P.
- 2. A site-specific Emergency Action Plan (EAP) for the event.

These items would accompany the existing requirements:

- Sanction form
- Meet announcement/entry file
- Backup file
- Proof of facility rental

### **Background and Justification**

Currently, our sanction process ensures technical and logistical details are provided, but explicit accountability for safety procedures is not formally documented. The Operational Risk Committee, would like to propose the following:

### 1. Reinforced Responsibility for Athlete Safety

By requiring meet hosts to sign off on their commitment to follow the warm-up/cool-down procedure, we ensure that expectations around athlete safety are communicated clearly and agreed upon in writing.

### 2. Emergency Preparedness

An Emergency Action Plan (EAP) is a best practice in event and facility safety. Having a meet-specific EAP on file ensures the host has thought through appropriate responses to medical emergencies, facility issues, weather threats, and other potential risks.

### 3. Risk Mitigation and Legal Protection

Should an incident occur at a sanctioned meet, having documentation that the host agreed to follow safety procedures and had an EAP in place protects the LSC from liability and shows due diligence. This documentation may be critical in the event of an investigation, insurance claim, or lawsuit

This proposal is also in alignment with USA Swimming's emphasis on safe sport and proactive risk management.

### Recommendation

It is recommended that these two items be added to the list of required documentation for sanction approval, effective immediately. Suggested enforcement could fall under the Technical Planning and/or Operational Risk Committees.

### **Proposed Language for Sanction Checklist Update**

### **New Sanction Application Requirements:**

- Signed Sanction Form
- Meet Announcement File
- Meet Backup File
- Proof of Facility Rental
- Signed Acknowledgment of LSC Warm-Up/Cool-Down Procedures or By submitting this form you, the host agree to abide by the Hawaiian Swimming Warm-Up/Cool-Down Procedure.
- Emergency Action Plan (EAP) specific to the meet venue