



Utah Swimming Board Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, 12th December 2023 7:00 p.m.

(Zoom meeting)

Mission: Provide opportunities, support and a framework for all athletes to excel.

Vision: Athletes Elevated

Date: Tuesday, 12-12- 2023

Start Time: 7:01pm

Board Members Attending:

Trent Weight, Pierre Guzman, Mike Wynn, Ashton Palmer, Heather Hale, Dennis Tesch, Ron Lockwood, Julie Floyd

Contractors Attending:

Todd Etherington, Carri Oviatt, McKay Larsen, Serena Werner

Athlete Reps Attending: Ben S., Coco R, Aeddán W.

Governance Committee: Nancy Barton, Mo Schiffman

Admin Review Board: N/A

Championship Meet Committee: Jarid Gray

Public: Allen Jones

(Total of 19 participants)

Agenda Item		Assignments
1. Call to Order	Board Meeting called to order at 7:01	n/a
2. Roll Call	See list above	n/a
3. Approval of Minutes	Amended for the correct spelling for Mark Shveyd.	MOTION TO APPROVE AMENDED PAST MINUTES - PASSED
4. Approval of Consent Agenda	N/A	
5. Approval of Agenda	No agenda items added	MOTION TO APPROVE AGENDA - PASSED

6. Call out of Local Volunteer Standouts	The whole volunteer team at Senior State helped to make the meet such a successful event. Nancy Barton, Pierre Guzman, Becky Barton, Heather Ridge, Ashley Talbot and Marcus Wesseman were highlighted for their contributions.	
7. Club Volunteer Highlight	Allen Jones- WFFM Allen explained the basics of his team including their 250+ athletes and three pool locations. He emphasized the importance of entry level swimmers, making swimming fun through positive daily interactions. He expressed the need for coach longevity as well as his team's hope to expand in the future. Pierre asked about the challenges for his team/expansion and Allen expressed that consistent staffing was the greatest issue. Mike asked about how they were able to gain access to pool time? Allen said that both Cottonwood and Treehouse were easy to get time at, but J.L Sorenson has been very tough to maintain the bare minimum.	
8. Training	N/A	
9. Swimposium Committee Report	Mo reported that both Provo Rec and the UVCC have been secured for next year's event. The Swimposium committee will be meeting at the start of the new year.	
10. Committee Reports– Championship Meet Committee- Jarid Gray	As mentioned by others, the Senior meet was a success. It was streamed for free, with about 5,000 views. The UTAGS committee has been set and Allen Jones has agreed to be the meet director for the Senior LC Champs. UTAGS meet staff is set with Heather Hale as Meet Director, Mo Schiffman as Referee, and Theresa Werner as Admin Ref. The committee is looking to get a unified budget for all of the meets. Jarid will follow up with Trent.	
11. Board Member Reports	a. General Chair Report: Trent Weight Ben Schiffman and Grethen Lane will be the new Athletes on the Governance Committee. b. Admin Vice Chair Report: Mike Wynn Please send updated committee info to Todd/Carri.	

Jenn Nielsen is stepping down as the Awards Chair. Looking for anyone who might be interested in the position.

c. Senior Chair Report: Ron Lockwood

The Senior State meet was a success and was accompanied by a successful coaches meeting. The format and timing of the meet will be revisited after the spring championship meets. Ron highlighted that HAST, SUSA, OA, and WFFM were all represented at Winter Juniors and there were State Records set by the OA boys relay and Roni Black from WFFM.

d. Age Group Report: Dennis Tesch

Established the age group committee and now working on Zones and the Beehive Finale.

e. Athlete Committee Senior Athlete Rep Report: Aeddán Winter

The athlete committee will be hosting the Junior Rep next month. There have been 5 applicants for the position. The athlete reps are still working on the details of the at-large election. The athletes are looking for a better way to highlight state records with a more unified way to process them. The hope is that the coaches will send them in. Aeddán will send an email to Carri with the needed info.

f. Coaches Rep Report: Ashton Palmer

Nothing to Report

g. Safe Sport and Safety Chair Report: Pierre Guzman

Nothing to Report

h. Diversity, Equity & Inclusion Chair Report: Heather Hale

3 athletes from the LSC participating in Para Nationals.

i. Officials Chair Report: Julie Floyd

Nothing to Report

j. Finance Chair Report: Shane Lamb

If you have recently gained use of a Utah Swimming email, please send your secondary email address to Shane.

	k. Governance Committee Chair Report: McKay Larsen Nothing to Report	
11. Contractors Reports	a. Club Liaison & Sanctions Coordinator Report: Carri Oviatt Nothing to Report b. Website & Registration Coordinator Report: Todd Etherington Nothing to Report c. Administrative Assistant: McKay Larsen Nothing to Report d. Treasurer: Serena Werner Received Senior Reimbursement.	
12. Discussion Items	a. Credit Card and Reimbursement: When using your Utah Swimming BILL card, please check the allowance on your card and request necessary funds for large purchases. After making a purchase, both the description and receipt for the purchase need to be submitted. The reimbursement form will be posted on the website soon as well. b. Constant Contact: The LSC has officially started using constant contact which allows easier communication and more analysis of interactions with members. Roughly 68% of LSC communications are being opened. Carri will work with other board members to explore what aspects of the new system we would like to utilize. c. Monthly Newsletter: The institution of a monthly newsletter of some degree could help to increase transparency and awareness in the LSC. Pierre mentioned connections he had from Mighty-Mid conference who he could talk to about an LSC Communications Committee. USA Swimming also has media	

	specialists that could help on this. Trent will work on gathering a subcommittee for this topic.	
13. Action Items	N/A	
14. Public Comment	N/A	
15. Adjournment	Board Meeting Adjourned at 7:52 pm	

Next UTSI Board Meeting: 01-09-2024 7:00 pm Zoom Meeting