

Utah Swimming Board Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, 14th January 2025 7:00 p.m.

(Zoom meeting)

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

Vision: Athletes Elevated

Date: Tuesday, 01-14-2025

Start Time: 7:00pm

Board Members Attending:

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

Contractors Attending:

Todd Etherington, McKay Larsen, Carri Oviatt, Serena Werner

Athlete Reps Attending: Ben S, Gretchen L, Coco R,

Governance Committee: Mo Schiffman, Shannon Dowling, Gadi Shamah

Admin Review Board: N/A

Championship Meet Committee: N/A

Public: N/A

(Total of 17 participants)

Agenda Item		Assignments
1. Call to Order	Board Meeting called to order at 7:00	n/a
2. Roll Call	See list above	n/a
3. Approval of Minutes	Amended to correct the officials policy to be "unattached" officials	MOTION TO APPROVE AMENDED PAST MINUTES - PASSED
4. Approval of Consent Agenda	Unattached Official Non-Athlete Registration Fee Reimbursement	MOTION TO APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA - PASSED
5. Approval of Agenda	A discussion item about the board retreat was added	MOTION TO APPROVE AMENDED AGENDA - PASSED

6. Call out of Local Volunteer Standouts	Shoutout to Connie Christensen for all of her help with USA observations for high school officiating.	
7. Club Volunteer Highlight	Dennis Tesch- Wasatach Swim Club The club was started in the early 2000s and was run in conjunction with the county until 2015. The team is now run by a non-parent board. They currently have over 200 athletes and 5 coaches, with the additional help of student coaches. Shawn Marsing runs the senior group while Dennis Tesch runs the Age Group program. Their team focuses on developing lifelong skills and making sure their energy goes towards the "95%." They have many multi-sport athletes, mostly coming from the Heber Valley. One unique tradition of their team is to have no practice on Wednesdays.	
8. Training	The governance committee is working on changing the role of board reports. There was also a brief discussion about streamlining the LTC which was sparked by Dennis's use of AI to simplify his use of the document.	
9. Committee Reports- Executive/Safe-Sport	Executive: The committee includes Trent, Mike, Brian, and an Athlete Rep. They do not meet often, but do help in preparing a preliminary budget annually. Safe Sport: Pierre has lost visibility to his USA Swimming reports which limited this report. As of Q3 of last year, the LSC was #10 in SSRP. The committee is hoping to be more active at the upcoming championship meets. The committee includes Pierre, Mike Hillman, Annabel Kim, Brinley Weight, and Jarid Gray.	
10. Board Member Reports	a. General Chair Report: Trent Weight Nothing to Report b. Admin Vice Chair Report: Mike Wynn We have tentatively reserved the UVCC for October 18th for Swimposium; however, Mike has not signed a contract or made an initial deposit. This tentative plan drew	

	lengthy discussion regarding the timing of the event. Mike will hold off on signing a contract until more planning is investigated. c. Senior Chair Report: Ron Lockwood Ron emphasized the amazing performance of the athletes in the LSC at the recent senior champs meet and highlighted the excellent performance of LSC athletes the next week at Winter Juniors. This was the best showing ever at this meet by the LSC, with 4-5 teams placing athletes into finals. d. Age Group Report: Dennis Tesch The age group zone application is due in 10 days. There are currently 4 applicants. e. Athlete Committee Senior Athlete Rep Report: Ben Schiffman The athletes are working on transitioning new athletes into the junior positions. f. Coaches Rep Report: Ashton Palmer Absent g. Safe Sport and Safety Chair Report: Pierre Guzman Nothing to report h. Diversity, Equity & Inclusion Chair Report: Heather Hale Nothing to report i. Officials Chair Report: Julie Floyd Nothing to report j. Finance Chair Report: Brian Cadman	
11. Other Committee Chair Reports	a. Governance Committee Chair Report: Mo Schiffman Nothing to report- working with athletes on their role transition b. Championship Meet Committee Chair Report: Jarid Gray Absent c. Swimposium/Awards Committee Chair: Mo Schiffman	

	Nothing to report	
12. 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 Currently looking into moving storage units d. Treasurer: Serena Werner Nothing to report outside of official report 	
13. Discussion Items	a. Board Retreat: There was a discussion about which date would work best for a board retreat. The 22nd of March was chosen as the date and it was proposed that this be a protected day from meets (No sanctions allowed). This motion passed.	MOTION TO PROTECT MARCH 22ND - PASSED
14. Action Items	Approval of January Treasurer's Report	MOTION TO APPROVE TREASURERS REPORT - PASSED
15. Public Comment	N/A	
16. Adjournment	Board Meeting Adjourned at 7:49 pm	

Next UTSI Board Meeting: 02-11-2025 7:00 pm Zoom Meeting