BCAC Scholarship Program Informational Sheet

Blue Crush seeks to assure that no athlete is deprived of the opportunity to participate for lack of financial means. To this end, limited scholarship funds have been made available through member fundraising to help defray the costs of membership and travel costs associated with joining Blue Crush. The application process is confidential and will be handled by the Executive Committee, composed of the Head Coach, Treasurer, Parent Board President, Director of Operations, and Member at Large ONLY. Applicants or recipients of financial assistance will not be disclosed outside of these five executive committee members. The primary goal is to provide aid to BCAC members who may need help in paying monthly dues and/or team travel costs.

BCAC Scholarship Program for Membership Dues

Note: A separate application must be completed for each swimmer. The awards within a family may vary.

Before submitting your application, please read and be ready to adhere to the following guidelines if your application is approved.

- 1. To stretch our funds as far as possible, the committee gives preference for smaller partial awards. The scholarship will cover between 25% and 50%, or in rare cases of extreme temporary hardship, up to 75% of monthly dues. You will, however, still be required to pay your annual USA Swimming Registration, or USA Water Polo Registration. There may be assistance available for USA Swim/Polo fees, directly from USA Swimming/USA Water Polo.
- 2. All scholarship families are required to fulfill all their volunteer hour requirements.

- 3. Scholarships will be awarded in September and February of each year that there are funds available. Each scholarship is only good for the length of that season. Those wishing to receive the scholarship the following season must apply each season.
- 4. Receipt of Scholarship in one season does not guarantee receipt in the following season.
- 5. Misconduct, as defined by the USA Swimming Code of Conduct, is grounds for loss of scholarship.

BCAC Application for Financial Aid for Team Travel

Blue Crush seeks to assure that no athlete is deprived of the ability to attend a Team Travel swim meet (e.g. Out of State and or Coach Invite Only) for lack of financial means. To this end, a limited scholarship fund is available to help defray the costs of team travel. The application is confidential and will be handled by the Scholarship Committee, composed of the Head Coach, Parent Board President, Treasurer, Director of Operations, and Member at Large ONLY to ensure your privacy. The fact that a family is receiving financial assistance will not be disclosed outside of these executive committee members.

Note: A separate application must be filled out for each swimmer. The awards within a family may vary.

Before submitting your application, please read and be ready to adhere to the following guidelines if your application is approved.

- 1. To be eligible, the swimmer MUST have an invitation to attend the meet from their coach and an attendance record that meets or exceeds their squad requirements.
- 2. To stretch our funds as far as possible, the committee will award only partial awards. The scholarship will cover between 25% and 50% of the

total travel costs for the swimmer only. This may include one or all of the following:

- a. Transportation
- b. Hotel
- c. Food
- 3. All scholarship families must fulfill all volunteer hour requirements.
- 4. Scholarships will be awarded on a meet-to-meet basis.
- 5. Receipt of Scholarship for one meet does not guarantee scholarship funds for a future meet. 6. Misconduct, as defined by the USA Swimming Code of Conduct, is grounds for the loss of the Team Travel Scholarship