

**Agenda PNS Board Meeting  
April 26, 2016  
Bellevue Club**

Call to order 7:04 p.m. Bellevue Club, Bellevue

Suzanne Rychlik, General Chair  
Bob & Cory Keller, Admin. Vice Co-Chairs  
Kevin O'Shea, Senior Vice-Chair  
John Skroch, Age Group Vice-Chair  
Dane Wolfrom, Finance Vice-Chair  
Connie Sholdra, Secretary  
Audra Messegee-Evans, Treasurer  
John Gagliardo, Officials' Chair  
Kiko Van Zandt, Disability Chair  
Randy Towbridge, At-Large Representative  
Doug Djang, At-Large Representative  
Rick Cox, Safe Sport Coordinator  
Sean Muncie, Coach Representative  
Nick Chevalier, Lead Coach Rep  
Ron Van Poole, USA Swimming Board Representative  
Dave Coddington, USA Swimming Board Representative  
Deb Keane, Ex-Officio  
Henry Lim, Athlete Rep  
Dillon De Priest, Lead Athlete Rep  
Eva Smerekanych; Athlete Representative  
Colleen Buchanan, PNS Office Manager  
Rob Serviss, Guest presenter

**Snohomish Aquatic Center Presentation** Rob Serviss, Manager

The new Aquatic facility in Snohomish is a state of the art competitive swimming facility available to host swim meets. It has a 10 lane pool, with rental rates are \$3000-\$3500 per day. Concessions are charged 5% ..

**Approval of December Minutes** moved –John Skroch, Audra Messegee-Evans second  
December 2015 minutes with correction

**MOTION PASSED**

**General Chair Report** – Suzanne Rychlik

2016-17 KCAC meets and meet reports. Loading SWIMS times will be done in the PNS office.

**Officer Reports**

**Treasurer's Report** Audra Messegee-Evans  
Submitted report

**Membership Report** – Colleen Buchanan  
Submitted report

**Officials Report** – John Gagliardo,  
New Chair for committee: John Gagliardo. Current members are: Rick Cox, Lisa Vetterlein,  
Mike Murphy, Dave Guffey, Sam Scott, Aline Benson, Eva Smerekanych, Athlete Rep

**Age Group Report** (zones) John Skroch  
93 swimmers are registered for Zones. Team will be announced May 1, 2016  
T. Cunningham will be head coach.

**Senior Report** – Kevin O'Shea

Travel Standards for Season 2 PNS National Development Time Standards to the slower of Futures or  
SC Junior National Bonus Cuts  
Request for athletes to get Season 2 reimbursements for 2 Pro Series meets in this Olympic year.

Time Standards in progress for summer championships

**Program Operations Report** – Deb Keane

Nationals in December net profit was \$52,000. 80/20% split with CSC. PNS will net \$10,000

**Program Development Report**

No report

**Admin VC Report**

Will discuss in New Business

**Athlete Report** - Eva Smerekanych

Athlete Newsletter will be ready in May to send out

**Safe Sports Report** -

Will discuss in Old Business

**Finance Report** - Dane Wolfrom

SwimWashington.org website report will be live soon. Purpose of the PNS owned website is to build the sport. Wolfrom is the administrator and is moving forward with advertising. Cost will be controlled. Teams will add their organization. PNS match capped at \$400 per team. \$30,000 budgeted.

**Diversity Report** – Suzanne Rychlik

Report sent to General Chair. Lisa Dahl is on National Committee. Four PNS athletes have been selected for the USA Swimming Select Camp. Dane Wolfrom is Coach

**Disability Report** – Kiko Van Zandt

Four PNS athletes will be swimming at the Paralympics in NC in July. Officials can apply to work.

**USA swimming Liaison Reports**

Dave Coddington – Meeting on Governance and then General Chairs meeting for Zones. AG meet in Utah, Sr Zone at Clovis.

Design Group International study of the governance of LSC and Zone Levels. Report will be presented to USA Swimming BOD next weekend. National board will start a study its governance. Another Sectional meet will be added in our Western Zone –CA will add a March meet, in addition to the December meet.

Ron Van Pool - Quadrennial recommendations for FINA members, and Foundation meeting report

**Old Business:**

**Safe Sport April Conference** - Rick Cox

Each Zone will have a chair Safe Sport. Recommendation for Transgender swimmers- referees should let the swimmer swim as is most comfortable, and not be concerned suits.

**LEAP 2** – Suzanne Rychlik

Discussion about PNS applying for USA Swimming's LEAP2 program

Cory Keller – LEAP 2 has elements we don't currently offer. (e.g. Swimposiums, Coach Education, Banquet & Awards and other activities)

Task Force formed:

Deb Keane, Cory Keller, Colleen Buchanan, Doug Djang, Henry Lim, Dillion De Priest

**Funding Priorities for Athletes** – Rychlik

PNS's vision statement is "Achieving Excellence while fostering Growth."

1,200 15 & O athletes. 4400 9-14 year old athletes, \$59,000 budget

192 Outreach athletes. 9% of budget.

Discussion at tables. Reports:

Table 1- PNS should focus on increasing Sr swimmers in top 200. We have regressed.

Table 2 -Are we reaching enough athletes? Do our swimmers who qualify get to attend meets?

Recommend expanding budget for travel.

Table 3 – Hold an Awards banquet. Study retention of 15 & O swimmers.

Table 4 - Spend more on Outreach. Adjust our definition of outreach income limits.

**New Business:**

**Policy/By-Laws Updates –Bob Keller**

- 1) Proposed By-Law change No Motion
- 2) Page 4 Membership Article 2 Add statement UN Non-Athlete member must reside In the Geographic area of the LSC – No motion
  
- 3) Motion to Change to read our Fiscal Year is Sept 1-August 31 (page 25)  
Moved Dane Wolfrom, Second Deb Keane

**MOTION PASSED**

- 4) Motion to add that the General Chair will appoint athlete members to every committee so there is a 20% minimum athlete membership  
Moved Deb Keane, Second Audra Messegee-Evans

**MOTION PASSED**

- 5) Travel Policy – Officials’ Travel Reimbursement Discussion - Changing wording from “Stipend” to– “Travel Funding” for athletes. No motion

**2016-2017 Schedule – Suzanne Rychlik**

2016-17 PNS meet schedule, PNS is awaiting KCAC schedule on 2017 Synchro event

**2016-2017 Budget Proposal – Dane Wolfrom**

Committee goal is to match surplus or deficit to two years before. (e.g. If there is a deficit in 2014, a surplus matching that will be planned for 2016.)

Motion to recommend presentation to HOD of the 2016-17 Budget Draft 4 with yellow heighted budget lines empty; and to add funding for Task force for SR & AG with budget line item amount of \$75,000; estimating a deficit of \$48,000. John Skroch Moved, & Doug Djang Second

**MOTION PASSED**

**Meet Entry Vouchers for Outreach Swimmers – Dane Wolfrom**

Motion to approve Form A and Form B of Outreach Vouchers for Senior Sectionals, Juniors, Nationals, Olympic Trials, Open Water Nationals, Disability Nationals, Can Am Championships. Paralympic Trials. Deb Keane moved, Audra Messegee-Evans seconded

**MOTION PASSED**

**HOD Agenda - Suzanne Rychlik**

Request Board to send additions for HOD to General Chair  
Request Board to send reports for HOD Colleen Buchanan

**Athlete Scholarships - Dane Wolfrom**

A task force will be formed at HOD to study PNS scholarships.

**Task Forces – Suzanne Rychlik**

Leap 2  
Senior program  
Study Outreach and income limits  
PNS Athlete scholarships

**Governance Day – Cory Keller**

Discussion on supporting coaches’ and officials’ development., and having a Governance day with committees one day each year. No Motion

**Board Candidates-Deb Keane**

Discussion of open PNS Board of Director positions and nominations presented.

**Adjourn 9:25 p.m.** Motion to Adjourn: Dane Wolfrom, Audra Messegee-Evans second.

**MOTION PASSED**