

Pacific Northwest Swimming - Executive Committee Meeting Minutes November 16, 2020

CALL TO ORDER: 7:32 pm via Zoom Conference

In Attendance:

Laurae Briggs – Secretary*
Dave Baer - Finance Vice Chair*
Bob Keller - General Chair*
John Skroch - Admin. Vice-Chair*
Suzanne Rychlik - Program Ops Vice Chair (past GC)
Ken Spencer - Senior Vice-Chair*
Colleen Buchanan - Registrar
Kieran Watson – Athlete Rep
Lauren Rohde – Athlete Rep
Lorraine Masse - Treasurer
Lesleigh Watson- Safe Sport/Risk Mgt. Coordinator

Grace Brown – Athlete Rep*
Alice Godfred - Coach Representative*
Rick Cox – At Large Rep
John Gagliardo, PNS Officials Chair
David Orr – Age Group Vice Chair*
Dave Leonard – At Large Rep
Linda Vicik – Sanction Chair
Nick Chevalier – Program Dev. Vice Chair
Carolyn Ackerley – At Large Rep
*Indicates member of PNS Executive Committee

UPDATED COVID GUIDANCE FROM GOVERNOR

Motion PNS does not sanction meets from November 16, 2020 until December 14, 2020 and cancel any meets that have already been sanctioned.

Discussion:

- Our goal is to keep all athletes safe.
- Want to send the right message to clubs in our LSC.
- Athlete representatives understand the need to not race now; the hope is to preserve the opportunity for the future.
- Currently 11 meets sanctioned; some have already been canceled by meet host.
- Can we put out statement from PNS letting clubs know we are canceling meets? Bob Keller will handle coordination of this.
- David Orr will coordinate contacting Olympia and let them know how PNS is handling new guidelines (canceling meets).
- Agreed to refund sanction fees to clubs who have meets that are being canceled.

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OTHER DISCUSSION

- What aspects of youth sports guidelines do we have to follow? David Orr will work on getting clarification.
- Should we wait a couple of weeks and then allow Intrasquad meets to be planned and sanctioned for January and beyond? Agreed to discuss at our December 7th meeting; want to wait and see where the infection rates are at.

- Discussion regarding the Covid developments around the world and how different countries are handling addressing the issue.
- Do we believe we need to meet with facility operators? David Orr - No, most facilities are now in the loop with what is allowed and what is not.
- David Orr will be the point person for questions from teams regarding latest guidance. Colleen will forward questions to David as appropriate.

Motion to adjourn at 8:00 pm

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Next meeting: December 7, 2020 at 7:30 pm via Zoom conference.