



Sierra Nevada Swimming

Board of Directors Meeting

March 16, 2020

ZOOM Meeting Format

7:04 pm Meeting called to order by Mark Brown. **Quorum present.**

Reading and corrections of February 13, 2020 minutes. **M/S. Minutes Approved Unanimously.**

Reports of Officers, Committees and Coordinators:

Admin Vice Chair Update: Dana Covington was not present.

Treasurer Update: Alison Turner had no report.

Senior Vice Chair Update: Chris Breitbart reported that Vacaville SC Championships was a great meet. The WAC team is completely shut down due to COVID-19. If injured, swimmers working out on their own are not covered by USA Swimming.

Age Group Vice Chair Update: Kainoa Pistorius had no report.

Program Development Vice Chair Update: Adric Jope reported the Catch the Spirit camp has been cancelled due to COVID-19.

Technical Planning Chair Update: Ricky Silva reported that information has been sent to the Technical Planning Committee or follow up discussions. The SC/LC Championships can be renamed JO's.

Safe Sport Chair Update: Niffey Carmody reported that Safe Sport is doing well. Met with USA Swimming's Tim Hinchey and Bob Vincent at the Sectionals meet and learned that grant funding for Safe Sport Education should be coming to LSC level.

Athlete Representatives Update: Athletes had no report.

Coaches Representatives Update: Adriana Contreras reported that she is working to get information out for clubs to help coaches during COVID-19.

Operational Risk Chair Update: Kathleen Kinsey reported that she worked with Vacaville Swim Club and Alex Ongaco to ensure had washing stations had hand sanitizer and other supplies. She stated that in hindsight, spectators over age of 59 and those with underlying health issues should not have been at the meet.

Officials Chair Update: Bill Rose reported that meets he was going to attend in March and April were canceled.

At-Large Update: Koren Motekaitis reported on her grant proposal and Brian Clark had no report. Darin Mai thanked Vacaville Swim Club for a job well done.

Open Water Chair Update: Ray Weiser was not present.

Executive Director Update: Alex Ongaco recapped the SC Championships meet to keep it safe for families and swimmers. Vacaville put on a good meet.

General Chair Update: Mark Brown thanked Alex for keeping the LSC updated on COVID-19. No registrations last month. Mark has offered to forgo his salary from April – until registrations pick up.

New Business:

Emergency Grant Proposal: Chris Breitbart proposed that Sierra Nevada Swimming grant every team \$50 per swimmer based on registration as of a date to be determined. The total for this proposal would be approximately \$160,000.

After much discussion and additional proposals of required information, it was determined that there will a meeting on March 26, 2020 at 7pm via Zoom Format to review all submitted proposals. All proposals need to be submitted to Mark/Alex prior to the meeting. **M/S. Approved Unanimously.**

USA Swimming Foundation Fundraising Drive: DART Sac swimmer Aved Gorji gave a presentation on his 8th grade community project where he worked with USA Swimming Foundation and fundraised \$1,020 for swim lessons.

Relay Swimmers at Sierra Nevada Championships: Koren Motekaitis reported that a swimmer was turned away from the Sierra Nevada Short Course Championships due to coach error. The swimmer was not entered into the meet as a relay only swimmer. All athletes must be entered into the meet as and individual or meet only swimmer to ensure registrations with USA Swimming and, if over 18, properly certified. Four relays were out of compliance: three got fined, but swam, and one went home without competing.

General survey of Sierra Nevada Club Teams concerning the handling of Fees, Refunds & Policies during COVID-19 Situation: This item was not addressed.

Next Regular BOD Meeting scheduled for April 16, 2020 (Zoom Format).

Meeting adjourned at 8:33 pm

Present: Mark Brown, Alison Turner, Chris Breitbart, Kainoa Pistorius, Adric Jope, Ricky Silva, Niffey Carmody, Athlete Emma Peters, Athlete Michael Wyant, Athlete Kyle Lehr, Adriana Contreras, Kathleen Kinsey, Bill Rose, Melissa Szpik Serrao, Koren Motekaitis, Brian Clark, Darin Mai, Alex Ongaco, Janet Vargas, and Guests: Brian Nebeta, Scott Hastings, Jim Contratto, Ernest Monette, Daryn Glasgow, Jon Victor, Sean Kochems, John Charles, Ernie Dillard, Bernie Centeno, Ethan Green, and Billy Dougherty.

Respectfully submitted,
Janet Vargas
SNS Secretary