

Pacific Northwest Swimming
Board Meeting Minutes
February 21, 2001

Present:

Dave Coddington	Dane Wolfrom	Ken Breiding	Neil Beck
Lyle Campbell	Gayle Crawford	Kiko Vanzandt	Lori Booth
Scott Florsheim	Colleen Buchanan	Rene Bollman	
Troy Emmons	Annette Stockwell	Becky Bollman	
Dan Wolfrom	Joe Brace	Leslie Wukstich	

Minutes from 2/21/02 were approved.

Treasurer report was moved and seconded and accepted as presented

Registration report was approved as submitted. Comment made that club mergers actually causes a decrease in membership as some swimmers drop out completely.

Old Business:

2002 National Disability Championships

Kiko Vanzandt, Adapted Swimming Chair and Co-Meet Director reported that the meet will be held at KCAC 6/13-6/15 with 6/11 and 6/12 KCAC will be available for classifying those athletes who need classifications. There are many volunteer opportunities for PNS Clubs and individuals. A list of committees and committee chairs was provided to those in attendance.

Coaches need to be USA Swimming members. Mary Coddington is the other Co-Meet Director. Both went to the Meet Director symposium in Colorado Springs in January.

All Star Report

Neil Beck, Age Group Vice Chair, reported on the 2002 All Star Meet. Five coaches (B. Antonowicz, K. Ure, M. Fitzgerald, G. Wong & M. Van Huis) and 4 adult chaperones took the athletes on a chartered bus to the meet in Oregon. PNS All Stars took 3rd after a close 2nd to Pacific; SoCal won with Oregon 4th. 13-14 Boys did well and the 11-12 girls did well. Comment was made that this was one of the best representations we have had by an All Star team based upon the times obtained Each athlete paid \$90.00 which went for 1 caps, backpack, T-shirt, meals, bus and lodging. The bus worked out well with the professional driver. Neil was complimented on maintaining the set budget (he was actually underbudget). Being within budget will be Neil's focus for Zones.

Fines/ Membership

2000-2001 not fines were issued due to a variety of reasons including; no treasurer and a new office Administrative Assistant coming on board mid season. This season we had the personnel and tools in place to determine the discrepancies which lead to fines; primarily the exception reports. Clubs send meet entry data and the Hy-Tek software will pick up the mismatches with after a comparison of to the PNS membership data base. The exception report is sent to Colleen in the office and to the host club. After the meet, another exception report is run for final mismatches. Some teams with have had multiple repeating mismatches of incorrect swimmer ID numbers. Colleen made the point that each team data base should match the PNS data base. There are \$800 in uncollected fines out right now. David has the action to draft follow-up letters.

New Business:

Jr. Athlete Rep

Rebecca Bollman introduced herself as the new Jr. Athlete Rep. She has been a PNS swimmer for the past 10 years and is also a currently certified coach certified also. She has a back ground of working at meets. Rebecca is a Senior in high school and has been nominated for various leadership awards. Rebecca states that she has the ability to keep in touch with the swimmers of all levels.

2002-2003 Meet Schedule

Dane Wolfrom, Technical Planning Committee Chair, presented the calendar and the list of meets. This was reviewed by those present.

Boys State meet is 2/20, 2/21, 2/22; closed weekend on 2/15-16

Discussion about the Washington Open meet ensued. Only about 150 of the swimmers in the Washington Open were PNS swimmers; it was suggested that the time standards be loosened so that more Sr. PNS swimmers can legally attend. UW would like PNS as an association to take on this meet. Sr. Swimming committee indicated to UW that it would most likely be a club as host vs. PNS. *Motion* made and seconded: PNS will assume responsibility for the Washington Open. *Discussion:* Association has lessened ability to pull off an annual Sr. meet. There is a question of manpower within the association as opposed to a club that can rally workers. This is an important meet especially for other LSCs that send swimmers. It is a reasonably -fast meet. It has a long history but it has not been given the attention and promotion it has deserved over the past few years. Following the discussion the motion was defeated. It was suggested that Sr. Swimming follow-up with the UW on this meet and report back to the board.

Spring Grand Challenge 2003 will be dependent upon Age Group Sectionals date 2003.

Long Course meets: Titlow and Port Orchard, KCAC will not be available in the last week of April.

Motion to approve 2002-2003 Meet Calendar as amended; seconded and approved.

Motion to accept amended Challenge Series Meets; seconded and approved

Motion to accept PNS Champs order of Events; seconded. *Discussion:* centered around the 400 Relays and the placement of these relays in the meet. The motion was approved.

Dane reviewed the Meet Bid Process and part of the Technical Planning report (see handout).

Senior Committee Report

Scott Florsheim reported that the Sr. Committee sensed a lack of enthusiasm and participation by the 15 & 0 in attending challenge meets. Need a format where the faster Sr. swimmers can get together and swim in our association. The national kids know each other but the kids just below that often do not get the chance to swim against one another. Concepts:

Sr. All Star meet: one day shot, approximately 100 kids from 4 quadrants; North, South, East and West 12 boys and 12 girls each quadrant from mixed teams; could perhaps have at the UW pool. This would need to be developed further.

Senior Dual meets: Format: 3 meets that would exist on Challenge Meet weekends. Set up ahead of time. Create a list of those teams that would want to compete in these Sr. Dual meets. Scott indicated that there was support for the this type of meet format on the Challenge Meet weekend. Motion was made to allow these three Sr. Dual meets to be added to the 2002-2003 calendar with two being on Challenge Meet weekends. The question arose can this meet co-exist with the challenge meets. Lots of discussion followed. The PNS policy 97-03 1. b will need to be amended to allow dual meets to occur on Challenge Meet weekends. The motion was approved.

Observed Swims

It was brought up that swims from HS District meets should have the ability through a process to be observed so that the times can be used for USA meets that follow. Motion was made for Program Operations to come forward with a policy for an observed meet process. The motion was seconded and approved.

Governance Study and Western Zones: Deferred

Port Orchard Pool Status: Funds in place for repairs to begin at the end of school. Availability, best guess is end of July.

Sectional Bylaws will be discussed on Saturday of Sectional Meet.

Adjourned 10:15 Next meeting on Monday, April 29 at KCAC

Respectfully submitted by Gayle Crawford, PNS Admin. VC

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