

**Minutes**  
**PNS Board of Directors Meeting**  
 Fatigue Technology  
 24 April 2006

**Call to Order** General Chair Lyle Campbell called the PNS board of directors meeting to order at 7:10 PM.

General Chair Lyle Campbell	√	Representative At Large Deb Keane		Program Development Suzanne Rychlik	√
Secretary Grace Wong	√	Treasurer Jody Woodruff	√	Senior Vice-Chair Andy Hathaway	
Age Group Vice- Chair Bruce Antonowicz		Finance Vice Chair Dave Coddington	√	Athlete Rep. (vacant)	
Administrative Assistant Colleen Buchanan	√	Coaches Rep (Age Group) Casey Murphy		Athlete Rep. (Junior) (Vacant)	
Coaches Rep (Senior) Sean Hutchison	√	Safety Chair (vacant)		Records/Top 16 Keith Ure	
Program Operations Linda Chapman	√	Officials Chair Ken Breiding	√	Representative At Large Melinda Giovengo	√
Ex-Officio		Representative At Large Klaas Schenk	√	Adaptive Swimming Kiko Van Zandt	
USA Swimming Rep. Ron Van Pool		Representative At Large Bob Regan	√	Guests Bruce Richards	
Administrative Vice-Chair Kathy & Scott Haase	√	Representative At Large Ash Milad	√		

Lyle presented a report entitled “Research in Youth Sports: Critical Issues Status” by Hedstrom and Gould. The UW project report should be complete by the Fall House of Delegates. Next Lyle presented “Understanding the Role Parents Play in Junior Tennis Success” by Gould and Lauer.

USA Swimming will institute background checks in 2007 registration year for coaches. PNS will also consider following the same process for chaperones for travel trips. Lyle handed out information from the National Alliance for youth sports.

Klaas Schenk and Bob Regan presented a discussion regarding Bellevue group called SPLASH – Swimming Pools for Leisure, Active Sports and Health.

Minutes from the February 27 board meeting were presented. The minutes were amended to have the words “motion passed” removed from the National-level support report. There was no motion and Andy Hathaway was to present a more complete proposal. Minutes were adopted as amended.

Treasurer Jody Woodruff proposed to put all reports at the end of the month to be able to compare month to month. Budget will be compared year to year. Motion passed.

**Administrative Report** - Kathy and Scott Haase reminded the board about the blanket ratification vote for approval of policies at the House of Delegates and the ratification would be done once per meeting – in spring and fall. Scott and Kathy passed out copies of the updated by-laws. The by-laws have been updated on the PNS website as well. The format of the spring House of Delegates meeting will consist of the Swimposium in the morning, the meet bid meeting in the early afternoon and then the HOD meeting from 2:30 to 4:30 PM. Kathy and Scott passed along a request from Gayle Crawford that Gayle is having trouble getting input for Heat Sheet News and that Gayle is looking for someone to generate content and to take it over. The board agreed to announce this request at the HOD to find a volunteer. If no volunteer, then Heat Sheet News will be put on hold. Gayle is also looking for content for the PNS website for the “News” section.

**Program Operations** - Linda Chapman reported that she is taking over meet results postings from Lyle. Jody brought up the concern that incorrect meet results are sent to the SWIMS database due primarily to operator error. The board decided that the best course of action is to work with the computer operators of the teams and to get the word back to the meet referee to have them go back to the meet results.

**Officials’ Committee** - Ken Breiding reported that the officials’ meeting was held on April 5. It was the largest crowd Ken has seen in approximately ten years. Ken was re-elected as chair and there are a few changes in the committee membership. The officials’ committee meeting will be held on April 25.

**Senior report** – No report.

**Age Group report** – No report.

**Athlete representative** – the position is open.

**Membership Report** - Colleen informed the board that the Everett Sharks are no longer a club. The Northshore Y doesn’t have a head coach who has passed the education requirement; therefore, Colleen has unattached all its swimmers and currently the

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Northshore Y does not exist as a club. Colleen also noted that seasonal clubs don't go through the same paperwork as year-round clubs, but would still have to get board approval to be a part of the PNS. Kathy and Scott will put something together in writing addressing this requirement.

**Technical Planning Committee** - Dane Wolfrom was not present, but Lyle reported on the TPC for Dane. The committee hasn't met lately. There was a meeting for challenge meets, which isn't complete yet. Hosts are needed for three more challenge meets, since there has been at least one more meet added per month. Dane also informed the board that the UW may not be able to host the Husky Invitational because of NCAA rules. The UW has petitioned the NCAA and is waiting to hear back. In the event the UW doesn't host, then the question was raised as to who will host the meet and if it should be kept on the PNS meet calendar. Dave Coddington said he would follow up with the UW.

No teams have come forth to host the distance meets. These are barely breakeven meets so the question was asked if the PNS would subsidize these meets. The number of swimmers at the distance meets has declined over the past three years. Currently PNS is not charging the tap for these meets and the question was asked if the PNS could help pick up part of the pool bill. A motion was made to have PNS pay for the pool fees for the distance meets, to cut back from three to two meets, and to add the tap back in (the tap being 10 percent of entry fees plus \$1 per swimmer). The motion was withdrawn. Bids will stay open for the distance meets.

Another motion was made to have PNS advertise and encourage clubs to host the distance meets; revenues would go back to PNS and PNS will pay the rental fees; PNS would pay \$500 to the club to cover administrative and hospitality costs (e.g. if a club spent \$490 and PNS gave them \$500, then the club makes \$10. Motion failed – 5 votes in favor and 6 votes opposed.

Pac Rim and SuperSoaker meets need hosts. The KCAC is available. An email has been sent to all clubs to ask if any club is interested in hosting. The bids will be accepted up to and at the meet bid meeting.

**Senior Coach Representative** – Sean had nothing to report

**Age Group Coach Representative** – Casey not present. No report.

Scott noted that at the next HOD a coach representative needs to be elected. The by-laws show two coach representatives – a senior and junior representative, where the senior representative is the one who has held the position longer.

**Committee Appointment** - Lyle proposed to the board to appoint Bob Regan to the Safety Chair position to fill the remaining term (one year). Motion passed. The HOD will need to accept the board report.

**Unfinished Business**

**Spring Championships** - Deb Keane was not present at meeting to report back on the meet. The general opinion is that it seemed the meet ran pretty well. Dave, on behalf of the officials, said it was a well-run meet. Deb had mentioned that she would be willing to serve as meet director again.

**Swimposium** - Suzanne reported that registration was going slow. Largest section was currently the 13&overs with seven swimmers signed up. So far there haven't been any coaches signed up for the coaches' session. The session has been moved to later in the morning (11 AM) to get more coaches to attend. Trent Staley will run the college-bound athletes' session. Suzanne noted that USA Swimming flies in the guest speakers and invests a lot of money in swimposiums. The registration cut-off date is May 9 and the registration form in on the PNS website. Suzanne is also looking for a couple of volunteers to introduce speakers.

**Western Zones 2006** - Kelly McDermott will fly to Fresno to make final arrangements for the meet.

**Meet Policies** – Scott Haase reviewed the update to Index AD-97-01, section 2d, clarifying what PNS is saying on who can be a member (e.g. board of directors, committee members, club members, meet directors). The update doesn't change anything. It only clarifies and points out where to find the information. Motion passed.

WhiteWater Aquatics is making its own banner and would like to use the PNS logo. The use of the logo requires PNS board approval according to the PNS by-laws. Motion passed.

**Camps** – nothing to report.

**PNS Scholarship** – Bob and Melinda don't know what to do with the scholarship right now. They are waiting for more information. They will come up with a formal policy when Bob, Melinda and Deb meet and to clarify intent of the scholarship. The goal is to award two scholarships (\$500 each) at long-course PNS Champs on July 31. They will get something posted on the PNS website by the second week of May and an announcement will be made at the HOD.

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**Task Force - By-Laws** - Scott had nothing to report. Lyle suggestion is that since USA Swimming's by-laws went through modifications, PNS should go through its by-laws to make sure they are in line with numbering.

**National-level Support** - Andy was not present to give report. Scott and Andy are working on a draft for the travel proposal.

**PNS Credit Card** - Andy was not present to give status report.

**New Business**

**Investment Policy** - Dave proposed the investment policy to give different options to how to better invest and to get the PNS money to work better for the organization. Motion passed. Motion passed to turn over the investment policy to the Admin Vice Chair to put in policy format.

The privacy policy also needs to put into policy format.

**LSC Strategic Planning** - Strategic planning was postponed earlier in the year until USA Swimming had a more formal process in place. USA Swimming has said to tell them when and where and they will send someone to the planning session. It will be similar to a club seminar, but geared at the LSC-level. Attendees for the seminar would include present board members and selected guests such as committee chairs, etc.

**Nomination Committee** - Dave presented the nominations list as an FYI. The committee has met but not all the nominees have confirmed with certainty that they will run. Dave likes to see at least two nominees per office

**Closed Session** - Lyle called for a closed session at 9:13 PM. Guests and non-board members were excused.

Meeting adjourned at 9:41 PM.