

**Minutes**  
**Pacific Northwest Swimming Fall House of Delegates**  
27 September 2003  
Shoreline Center

**Attendees:** 65 voting PNS members present, representing 33 clubs (33 coaches, 32 non-coaches; 10 PNS board members, and 8 guests.

The Fall House of Delegates meeting called to order by General Chair Dave Coddington at 10:31 am.

Dave went over the new HoD agenda, which eliminates vice chair reports and will open up the floor to hear from clubs. This new format will free up about 40 minutes. The Age Group and Senior coach representatives and Age Group Coach of the Year will be elected during the meeting, with nominations from the floor. Only coaches will be allowed to vote for the coach representatives. The Age Group Coach of the Year will be announced at the PNS banquet.

Minutes from the May 10, 2003, meeting were approved as submitted.

**Opening remarks by the General Chair** – Dave Coddington reviewed the highlights of the past few years that included redefined goals, corrected policies over the past four years, the National Development Fund, Challenge Series, officials training and certification system, the PNS website, newsletter, office, club development program. The PNS has become a national leader and is financially solid.

Dave Coddington then presented the two questions to clubs – each club will get one minute to respond to either question:

- 1) What has your club done in the past two years to improve?
- 2) What is the most important service that PNS management provides or should provide?

Jody Woodruff presented the Treasurer's report. The PNS showed a profit of \$16,000, and is financially solid. One reason for the profit is increased registration income due to more swimmers.

Finance Chair Michael Shea gave a recap of the quadrennial that just ended 2001-2004. The report was approved as presented.

### **New Business**

Coaches/non-coaches of clubs respond to either of the two questions. There were 33 responses, with 33 clubs present.

Responses to question #1 of what clubs have done in the past two years to improve include: coaching staff, parent group organization, fixing bulkhead, new timing system, new coach, running a good meet, swim-a-thon, parent volunteers, QuickBooks, successful merger with another team, B&O taxes for masters' program and SCRIPS sales, parent volunteering, coaches' training, mock meets, active board members, fundraisers (e.g. golf tournament), social activities, team growth, flat fee structure, lesson programs, working with school districts to recruit, defining parent/coach boundaries.

Responses to question #2 of what important service does PNS management provide or should provide include: new membership program to educate, training parents with the how-tos, increase in registration (new club), teleconferencing options for association meetings to increase participation, Colleen Buchanan, PNS website, meet sanctioning and scheduling to better project numbers for budget for hosting meets, the PNS website with time standards and best times, Challenge meet series that provide that have provided opportunity for team to be together and for competition.

### **Elections**

The following PNS board positions are up for election: General Chair, Age Group vice chair, Program Development. Also, nominations were taken from the floor for the following positions: Age Group Coach representative, Senior Coach representative, three At-Large representatives, and three Board of Review members with one alternate.

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The results of the elections were as follows: Lyle Campbell, General Chair; Laura Reisdorph, Age Group vice chair; Suzanne Rychlik, Program Development; Dane Wolfrom, Age Group coach representative; Sean Hutchison, Senior Coach representative; Robert Regan, At-Large representative (2 years); Melinda Giovengo, At-Large representative (2 years); Deb Keane, At-Large representative (1 year). Board of Review members include Kimo Streeter, Dave Withrow, Colleen Kwan, with Ken Breiding as the alternate.

Newly elected general chair Lyle Campbell thanked the Dave Coddington for his years of service as general chair, and thanked outgoing members of the board - Annette Stockwell, Neil Beck, Troy Emmons, Erin Dunn, Kimo Streeter, and Nancy Arendt.

Bill Patterson gave the delegates a recap of the Husky Pool's status. He said the UW swimming program is alive and well.

Dave Coddington reminded the House of Delegates that the appointment of Keith Ure by Lyle Campbell as the Program Operations vice chair will be confirmed at the next House of Delegates meeting in spring 2004. Dave thanked the delegation for the opportunity and the support of the board members.

Meeting adjourned at 1:09 pm.