

Adam Caldwell -

Adam is a swim parent, coach, swim official and a club owner. He is also an attorney and comes from the St. George area.

Cory Sinclair -

My name is Cory Sinclair, and I have been involved in swimming since the age of 5. I started my swimming career with a club team in West Valley (then the West Valley Orcas). While with West Valley, I competed in multiple Zone championships for the State of Utah. At the age of 12, I moved to various other states due to job changes in my family. I swam in Wisconsin, Illinois, Utah (Cottonwood Heights), and then finished by high school swimming career in San Diego. Following high school, I came to the University of Utah where I swam for the Utes for four years.

After I finished my swimming career, I began coaching. My first coaching job was as a 5th year graduate assistant for the Men's and Women's Swimming Team at the University of Utah. From there I began focusing on graduate school, but remained active in the country club league where I coached Fort Douglas Country Club and Willowcreek Country Club for approximately 7 summers.

My involvement now is through my children. My son Adam is 15 years old and currently swims for Swim Utah. He has been swimming competitively for approximately 8 years. My daughter Violet is 9 years old and currently swims for the Salt Lake Swim Legends. She has been swimming competitively for approximately 3 years. I have volunteered time to my kids' club teams, but mostly I spend my time being a swim parent.

I am an attorney with Parsons Behle & Latimer, a large law firm based in Salt Lake City. I serve as the firm's Chief Operating Officer and General Counsel. I also volunteer at my daughter's school, the McGillis School, where I am a member of the Board of Trustees and serve as the Board Treasurer.

My roles in swimming have changed over time, but my love and appreciation for the sport has remained. My grandmother was a leader in Utah Swimming for many years, and she always reminded me to give back to the sport that provided me so much in my life. I would be honored to serve on this committee if asked.

Dennis Tesch -

I started competitive swimming when I was five years old and I've been involved with every side of swimming you could ever be involved with. I can relate and understand issues from an athlete, coach, and parent's point of view. Here is a list of my experiences for each:

Athlete - I competed for KYAT and MAC USA Swimming teams and Bingham and West Jordan High Schools. I swam for the University of Utah. I qualified for the 1988 USA Olympic Trials in the 400 and 1500 Freestyles and the 400 IM.

Coaching - I have coached for 30+ years and have coached age group, high school, Division I Men's and Women's, and Masters. I am currently coaching the Wasatch Swim Club.

Officiating - I have been an official for 5 years and help whenever I can't coach

Parent of a Swimmer - I have two girls who swim. My oldest is currently a sophomore at Western Colorado University, DII, where she swims on scholarship. My other daughter swims for Olympus Aquatics and is a freshman at Olympus High school.

Past Utah Swimming Board Member - Athlete Rep, Safety Chairman, and Vice-Chairman
Fitness and health - I continue to swim 2-3 times a week with masters.
Thanks for your consideration!

Heidi Lane -

I am a mother of 2 swimmers, 13 and 15 yrs, who have been swimming with Park City Swimming since 7 and 8 years old. I have become involved myself with swimming; officiating as a S/T official and currently working on becoming certified as a Starter. Though I do not come from a competitive swim background, I do have extensive experience with competitive sport. I participated in both a team sport (HS volleyball) and an individual sport (alpine ski racing). In alpine ski racing, I competed at both the international level for the United States Ski Team, as well as at the collegiate level for the University of Utah Ski Team. Through my involvement in sport, I have unfortunately observed situations that have been suboptimal for athletes and/or even the coaches. During my tenure, there really was no avenue to formally address these situations and as a result nothing constructive ever resulted and often times, the behavior continued. I congratulate the Utah HOD for moving quickly to formalize a Board of Review as I do think this will provide an additional avenue to hold individuals accountable to safety. I recognize that there is not always a set of clear rules or guidelines for all situations. In these cases, in which a judgement must be made, and there are no clear "rules" as to right or wrong, it is imperative that we listen with objectivity and review all evidence and information from all parties before settling on a position. I am prepared and would be honored to serve on the Board of Review, knowing that at times, difficult decisions must be made. I am confident I have the temperament and skillset to review and act upon an LSC complaint, conflict, or other matter not addressed by a numbered rule in our LSC Rules and Regulations.

Jennifer Brennan -

I am a swim parent; my daughter has swum for 9 years competitively in Utah (some rec, currently high school and club). I am not a swimmer, nor have I taken any official training. So my perspective would be that of a swim parent. I am also an attorney (litigation) so have more than 20 years of experience with interviews and evidence gathering, and legal process. I feel I can be objective, and fair based on facts and not emotions. Thank you for your consideration. Now that my daughter is older and I am not helping with donning swim caps and goggles, I would like to serve in a different way, one that helps the swim community in Utah as a whole.

Michelle Kiser -

I have been a swim parent for the past 12 years here in Utah and one of your officials since 2014. I believe that I would make a great addition to your Board of Review committee because I have learned the hard way that there are always two sides to every story and situation. I try to be a person who hears out what the other person is saying and think before responding. I have enjoyed the opportunities that Utah Swimming has given to me in asking for my help. My girls have been blessed with such an amazing support network while swimming here in Utah. I can only hope that I am able to pass along some of what my girls have benefitted from, help brighten the life of another swimmer (even better if it's more than one) and that I am able to keep having fun and enjoying the volunteer work that I do.

Lonn Johnson -

I am a dedicated swim parent of two swimmers, ages 13 and 11, and have been involved with swimming for the last 8 years. In 2015 I wanted to learn and be more involved, and as a result started my adventure as an official. I have quickly climbed the ranks as a USA Swimming official. Today I am credentialed as an N2 Chief Judge, N3 Stroke & Turn Judge, Level 2 Starter, and Level 1 Referee. I was awarded the Carolyn Burt Memorial Utah Swimming Official of the Year in 2019.

I have continually demonstrated excellent conflict resolution techniques as a swim official. I assess the entire situation, effectively communicates to all parties, and makes impartial decisions. I exemplify the highest standard of fairness, ethical behavior and good sportsmanship. I assure compliance of the fundamental policies and values of USA Swimming.

In addition, everyone knows that I am an organized, dedicated, hard worker who volunteers at every swim meet. I am frequently called upon to train new officials due to my communication style and demeanor. I am not afraid to step into new roles and help out wherever I can. I am a great team player who lightens the mood with my sense of humor!

I will be a contributing, impartial asset to the Administrative Board Review.

Yolanda Bates -

Yolanda Bates is entering her ninth season working with the stroke swimmers since joining the BYU coaching staff in June 2012.

Bates, formerly Mendiola, swam breaststroke and individual medley while a swimmer at BYU. Originally from Mexico City, she was a member of the Mexico National Team from 1974 to 1980. After graduating from BYU with bachelor's degrees in public relations (1982) and Spanish (1984), Bates has coached youth swimmers in Logan, Utah. Many of Bates' former high school students went on to swim for BYU, including Jake Taylor, a five-time All-American.

In 2001 she graduated with a master's from Utah State in second language teaching. She previously served as the first female assistant coach to Stan Crump at BYU.

Bates and her husband, Brian, have four children, including two sons, Daniel (2008-2012) and Sammy (2008-2012), and a daughter Nikki Walsh (2002-06) who have all competed on BYU's swim teams.

Rachel Butler – Athlete

A 2019 graduate of Brighton High School · five-time All-American · named 5A Girl Swimmer of the Year · three-time State Champion in both the 200 IM and 500 free · four-time Regional Champion in the 200 free · two-time Regional Champion in the 500 free · Regional Champion in the 100 back as a sophomore · Regional Runner-up in the 100 breast as a senior · set school record in the 200 IM · helped team to four consecutive first place regional finishes · two-time Scholastic All-American · graduated at top of class with a perfect 4.0 GPA · named Academic All-Region and Academic All-State in 2019. Rachel has also served on the UTSI Board as the senior Athlete Representative. Swims now at University of Minnesota.

Utah swimming will always have a special place in my heart. My service began by serving on the age group committee, then as an athlete representative (eventually becoming the senior athlete representative), accompanied by service on the safe sport committee. During my time as an athlete rep, I had the opportunity to learn what an athlete committee should look like and how it gives athletes a voice in the sport we love. Rhys and I were able to organize the first athlete committee, of which we are very proud of! If elected, I'll do my best to support the athletes of Utah swimming by looking out for what is best for the athlete. I'm honored to be considered to continue my service for Utah swimming.

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Rhys Winter - Athlete

My name is Rhys Winter and I am currently a freshman swimming at the University of Utah. I have had the honor serving Utah Swimming before as the Senior Athlete Representative, and am currently serving on USA Swimming's National Officials Committee. If I were to be elected to the LSC Board of Review, my main focuses would be 1) making sure that athletes are represented and the forefront of every conversation, and 2) creating a fair and equitable competitive atmosphere for our swimming community. I want to keep the sport fair for every swimmer and will make reasonable decisions when it comes to tough situations. Thank you for your consideration.