

## **ZONES 2014 REPORT**

### **HOUSE OF DELEGATES MEETING OCTOBER 5, 2014**

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Total Athletes Attending 29: Age Group (AG) 17 athletes, Senior (SR) Zones 12 (35 athletes in 2013, 44 in 2012, 29 in 2011)

Location: AG Zones, Federal Way, WA, August 6-9, SR Zones Clovis, CA, July 30-August 3

Budget: 2014 Actual approximately \$20,500 vs. Budget of \$25,000

Coaches: AG Zones– Dave Berkoff & Kyle Potter SR Zones – Mike Turner & Patrick King

AG&SR Zones Coordinator – Transportation/Hotels/Uniforms/Communication: Lisa Keyes

SR Zone Chaperones/Van Drivers: Kim Becker & Connie Myers

AG Zone Onsite Meals and Chaperone: Nicole Smart

AG Athlete Village Support Chaperone: Toni Shields

Technical Support/: AG Entry File: Susan Huckleby

In 2014, Team Montana sent teams to compete at two separate Zones meets, Age Group Zones in Federal Way, WA and Senior Zones in Clovis, CA. I coordinated in advance all arrangements for coach/chaperone travel, SR Zone onsite team travel via 2 vans, and hotel rooms. I also arranged hotel room blocks (coach, athlete and parent) with Best Western Evergreen in Federal Way and Holiday Inn Express in Clovis, searched for and eventually found good volunteer chaperones providing guidance and chaperone job descriptions, managed central communication to inform zones families and Team Montana coaches about both meets, and ordered, delivered and designed (with input from others) uniforms.

The swimmers all reported having a super fun time and swam incredibly well to boot! In addition, all four coaches did an excellent job!

I would like to thank all the chaperones for all of their hard work, creative ideas, and team Montana spirit throughout both meets. Your help and support added greatly to the success of our Montana swimmers as well as to the fun and positive zones experiences each and every one of the swimmers experienced. Additional thanks goes to Curt Jacobson who guided me when needed, and Susan Huckleby who took the time to provide an entry file for AG Zones at a very busy time of her summer.

Budget: Total Zones cost was roughly \$20,500 vs. \$25,000 2014 budget.

Recommendations: Hawaii more expensive so keep \$2500 budget. Possibly more kids if Zones proposal passes.