

SNS Board of Director Candidates

<p>General Chair</p>	<p><u>Brian Clark (DDUR)</u> <i>“Hi. I am currently the Head Coach of the Durham Dolphins. I have coached for over 30 years, all of it in Sierra Nevada Swimming, starting with the Corning Swim Team, then for over 20 years with the Chico Aquajets, and now with the Dolphins. I have four children ages 7-15, all of whom are currently swimming. In SNS, I am currently an At-Large Member of the Board. In the past, I have served as both Age Group Vice-Chair and Senior Vice-Chair and on the committee to re-write our By-Laws. In addition, quite a while ago, I was a carded Stroke and Turn Official & Starter. I feel I have a broad background to serve as General Chair.”</i></p> <p><u>Ricky Silva (SASO)</u> <i>“Thanks to SNS for the opportunity to run for General Chair. I am the Head Coach @ SASO Swimming as well as the Assistant Swim Coach at Solano College. I am currently the Technical Planning Chair for our LSC. Previously, while coaching in Pacific Swimming, I served numerous Board and volunteer roles, including Age Group Vice-Chair and Zone 1 North Chair. I have also remained involved at the USA Swimming and LSC level, including camps, all star trips and a Western Zone Select Camp.”</i></p>
<p>Administrative Vice-Chair</p>	<p><u>Billy Doughty (DART-Davis)</u> <i>“Started coaching in Davis in 2009. Some of his latest coaching highlights include:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2019 – Coached US National & US Open Champion • 2019 – Head Mens Coach TEAM USA – National JR Team • 2019 – Assistant USA JR Team Coach – Canada & Fiji • 2011, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018 2019 – Sierra Nevada LSC Senior Coach of the Year
<p>Senior Vice-Chair</p>	<p><u>Chris Breitbart (WAC)</u> <i>-Current Sierra Nevada Senior Vice-Chair -USA Swimming Coach for 20+ years; Head Coach of Wolverine Aquatics since 2008 -Head Coach of Sierra College Men’s Swimming & Water Polo Teams -2004, 2006, 2010, 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019 Big 8 Conference Coach of the Year -2016, 2019 Men’s California Junior College State Coach of the Year -Led Sierra College to 2016, 2019 California Junior College State Championship Titles -Loves gardening and walks with his wife of 21 years</i></p>
<p>Finance Vice-Chair</p>	<p><u>Kathleen Kinsey (SMST)</u> <i>“Currently is the Director of Development for the Sierra Marlins Swim Team and currently serves as our LSC’s Operational Risk and Safety Chair. As the SNS Operational Risk and Safety Chair, Kinsey has managed safety for practices and competition for various public hazard conditions such as air quality and COVID restrictions. She has been a very active member of LSC leadership during the current operational restrictions imposed by the state and counties in SNS. Prior to her role as SMST Director, Kathleen founded and served as CEO for the Folsom Wahoos Swim Team. Kinsey was a Head Coach in the European Forces Swim League Sigonella, Sicily, Italy. Her love for the sport began in 1978 as an AAU Swimmer. Kathleen swam in college (D-III) where she still holds college records from 1987, was an NCAA qualifier and maintains a fit lifestyle as a role model to the children she is honored to work with.”</i></p> <p><u>Koren Motekaitis (UCD)</u> <i>“Koren has been the Director of the AquaMonsters since 2005. Koren also has her own business as a Leadership Coach where she works with executives as they lead their companies and employees. Koren served on the SNS Board for the last two years as a Member At Large and helped to create the COVID grant that teams were able to receive during the Spring of 2020. Koren is committed to being fiscally responsible with the members financial resources</i></p>
<p>Coaches Representative</p>	<p><u>Justin Brosseau (CCA)</u> <i>-Current Position – Head Coach/CEO (California Capital Aquatics) since Aug 2016 -Served in At-Large Position 2016-2018, then as TPC 2018-Fall 2019 -Lead Coach of 2019 SNS Leadership Camp</i></p>

	<p><i>-Selected as LSC Representative for inaugural USA Swimming Leadership Conference in 2018</i></p> <p><u>Alan Rosenfeld (AQUA)</u> <i>"I have been coaching swimming for 14 years and have worked as an Assistant Coach for Aquasol for the past 7 years. I have coached all levels on Aquasol from young Age Group Swimmers to the Senior level. I am currently the Swim and Dive Head Coach of El Dorado High School. I have never served on the Board of Directors for our LSC, but I am excited for the opportunity if elected."</i></p>
Age Group Vice-Chair	<p><u>Adric Jope</u> <i>"I have coached for over 10 years, most recently as the full-time Head Coach & Aquatics Director at Arden Hills before the termination of the program at the onset of COVID-19. I am currently exploring options for the upcoming Fall Season. I have served one year on the SNS Board as the Program Development Vice-Chair."</i></p>
Program Development Vice-Chair	<p><u>Kainoa Pistorius (WAC)</u> <i>-Currently finishing his 2nd term as Sierra Nevada Age Group Vice-Chair -Head Age-Group Coach of Wolverine Aquatics -Served as Head Coach of Sierra Nevada Age Group Western Zone Team 2017, 2018, 2019 -Has served on several Sierra Nevada Camps (Elite, Catch the Spirit, & Select) -SNS Age Group Coach of the Year 2017-2018 -Avid Sacramento Kings fans and enjoys spending free time with his family</i></p>
Officials Chair	<p><u>Melissa Szpik-Serrao</u> <i>"Currently serves as our LSC's Officials Chair"</i></p>
Technical Planning Chair	<p><u>Cyrus Crews (TTST)</u> <i>"Head Coach of the Truckee Tahoe Swim Team since 2015. I have always been interested and involved with Technical Planning. I helped the Indonesian Swimming Federation for 5 years (2010-2015), voluntarily working with them on setting appropriate time standards that were athlete centered for maximum motivational impact. Proposing competition schedules by season, region, and ability levels was also a major part of my role in Technical Planning for Indonesian Swimming. I would be excited to bring my experience to the LSC as a Technical Planning Chair."</i></p> <p><u>Steve Lazaraton (SYS)</u> <i>-Head Coach: Shasta YMCA Sharks (formerly SOAR), 4 years -Head Coach: Simpson University, 1 year -Former Senior Assistant Coach Bolles School Sharks, 15 years -Former Senior Assistant Coach Birmingham Swim League, 3 years -Was active in committees in Florida Swimming LSC</i></p>
Safe Sport Chair	<p><u>Niffey Carmody (Running as Co-Chair w/ Hogenboom)</u> <i>"I am a current member of SNS, and applying for my second term as your Safe Sport Chair. These last two years I have served as your Safe Sport Chair. One of my goals was to have "Standardization of training/education" across the nation. I have been a member of SNS since 1998, serving as an Official at all levels of competition (Age Group to National Meets). I have earned the highest level of National Certification in all "Official" positions. I am currently enjoying retirement after 47 years in health care and continue to hold National Certifications in both Pediatric and Infusion/Oncology Nursing."</i></p> <p><u>Deanna Hogenboom</u> <i>"It has been my pleasure to serve as a volunteer since 2013 for the Sierra Nevada LSC and USA Swimming. My journey includes roles as a N3 Stroke and Turn Judge, N2 Starter, N2 Chief Judge and most recently clinic instructor for our LSC. As a Regional Vice President for the Vision Care Division of VSP Global, I oversee a 20 state region and a team of 15 sales and account management professionals. My role includes collaboration with peer leaders and other divisions to develop and support client retention and growth. I look forward to contributing to SNS in partnership with Niffey Carmody as Co-Chair of Safe Sport."</i></p>

SNS Chair Position & SNS Nominating Committee Candidates

<p>Safety Chair (Operational Risk)</p>	<p><u>Matthew Rankin</u> <i>"I started my 6th year as Head Coach of the Vacaville Swim Club. I have yet to hold a position with the LSC, but I am trying to find a way to assist in our vision. The current climate for our sport suggests to me that we all can do more. I would like the opportunity to do more."</i></p>
<p>Diversity, Equity & Inclusion Chair</p>	<p><u>Phuong Nguyen</u> <i>"I am a freelance motion graphics designer and front-end web developer with Melonhead Studio helping clients large and small elevate their brands online and via large digital displays. My work has been displayed on screen in such varied venues as Times Square in New York, Staples Center in Los Angeles and on the scoreboard at the Elk Grove Aquatics Center. I'd LOVE to get more involved in helping our LSC promote our sport to athletes young and old through an increased web and social media presence."</i></p>
<p>Nominating Committee</p>	<p><u>Stephanie Chandler</u> <i>"I grew up swimming locally and now have three children of my own who have been a part of Sierra Nevada Swimming for the past eight years. I am passionate about the sport and I am also eager to help guide the LSC toward future successes. I served as a Chaperone on several SNS Age Group Western Zone Teams and also served as Staff at SNS Camps and Events."</i></p> <p><u>Irene Nakaoka</u> <i>"I am a practicing small Animal Veterinarian in Sacramento and have been an avid swimmer all my life. I have been a USA Swimming Official for EGAC since 2014 and I have been part of the Officials Committee for SNS. I had the opportunity to attend the 2019 Western Zone Workshop as the SNS Officials Representative and would be honored to continue serving Sierra Nevada as part of the Nominating Committee."</i></p> <p><u>Amber Ponciano</u> <i>"I have worked in Finance for Lundberg Family Farms for the last 13 years. I have been a USA Swimming Official in our LSC for 14 years. I am a certified Meet Referee, Administrative Referee, Deck Referee, Starter and Stroke & Turn Judge. Although I enjoy working the deck in all those roles, mentoring new Stroke & Turn Judges is what I'm most passionate about. I love to share my enthusiasm for swimming with people new to the sport."</i></p>