

2017 Snake River HOD  
Twin Falls, ID  
Saturday, Oct 21st 12:45pm  
Minutes

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1. Roll Call and Call to Order- Glenn Roth, Peggy Hawkins, Patty Fisk, Michelle Smith, Patty Stratton, Bruce Stratton, Hong Shao, Asjun Chitre, Shae Stratton, Ryan Stratton, Todd Marsh, Erin Holmes, Mike Lewellyn, Tara Martin, Zachary Deal, Mikayla Gallegos, Anna Tindall, Andrea Perttula, Eric Perttula, Barry Kenard, Sam Burgi, John Apgar, Brian Gallagher, Alphonsina Savell, Phillip Wright, Elli Ockerman, Jeff Erwin, Jennifer Cluff, Joan Wong, Melona McCarthy, Natalie Gefferos, Gavin Geffros, Aiden Geffros, Stephanie O'Malley, Deb Marria, Randon Hall, Timothy Wong, Braden Platt, Gabe Machado, Samantha Zollinger, Alexandra Adams, Phoebe Pahis, Casi Pahis, Lisa Johnson, Dey Case, Denise Thompsen
2. Minutes for 2016 Approved. Request Made to present new business first in lieu of time.
3. Budget presented-Jeff Erwin. Short on zones funding-paid all age group coaches and none left for Sr Zone coach. **Motion made to pay Phoebe (sr zone coach paid from travel fund) \$500. Passed.** Jeff explained shares program with discussion on how increased participation in the program and current budget will result in a drop to \$31 per share (normally \$50 per share). To fund 285 shares at full \$50 we need \$5000 from travel. Discussion ensued regarding what the share should be and how to better budget for the high end meets. **Motion to fund share for 2017 at \$40 per share/swimmer (taking deficit funds from travel account). Passed.** Discussion on budget as a whole.
4. Old Business-Summer Champs Qualifying Times: Tabled.
5. New Business
  - a. Caldwell Meets-Jan 20/21, 2018 (Cabin Fever) no April meet. BY will hold April 21 one day LCM, Twin to check on meet for June 9/10 or 15/16.
  - b. 11/12 events for SR Champs-add 400 IM, 500/400 FR, 200 stroke events. **Motion to include 400IM 11 and over (score separately). Passed.** Discussion around 50's not being included and adding 10 and unders to finals-recommended that Tech Planning to revisit events offered at Champ meets and make a recommendation. If you take 50's out (No qualifying time required) there are swimmers who cannot compete at the meet.  
Age Group Chair and Age Group Zones Coordinator-Ryan Stratton proposal (see proposal A cut, B-SRS cut and C cut as proposed) **Motion made to review the age group zone selection process (Stratton and Coaches meeting suggestions).** Discussion followed regarding SRS Summer high point, coaches altered ranking to throw out weakest event and re-rank (this would

eliminate C cut). Question should swimmers get to go even if they don't make the time. Coaches motion: A, SR B cut (1 sec off per 50 up to 200), ranking system per coaches with preferences on LCM and then SCY and high point from summer champs.

Completing relays requires 2 qualified and then adding 2 non-qualified. Selection process results in about 25% of swimmers not being "qualified" swimmers. Swimmers being chosen are the best SRS has to offer. Plan needs to be set up to accommodate the level of swimmer we have. **Stratton Motion with amendment: Age group zone team based on A, SR B cut (1 sec off per 50 up to 200), ranking system-100, 50 Free and lowest time dropped with preferences on LCM and high point from summer champs. Coaches will evaluate the need for the relay before additional non-qualifying swimmers are selected. Passed.**

Discussion regarding how far to go down ranking list for relay swimmers. **Motion called: First 2 ranked swimmers with 1 alternate to be considered for relays and if no one wants to go the relay will be at coach's discretion. Passed**

***Motion on entire proposal: Swimmer eligibility for age group zones-registered swimmer of SRS, qualifying swims A or B cut-if 2 qualify then 3<sup>rd</sup> or 4<sup>th</sup> swimmer may be selected based on above motions. (2 qualifiers equals 2 selected swimmers, 3 qualifiers equals 1 additional swimmer each will have 1 alternate) and SRS high point winner.*** June 1<sup>st</sup> deadline for qualifying in yards times.

**See Proposed Rules Changes following the minutes regarding detailed zones changes.**

- c. 6 swimmers for 1 coach, 12 for 2 and 18 for 3 coaches. Application submitted by April 1 and selections are made by April 30<sup>th</sup>. **Motion made and passed.**
- d. Nonqualified age group zones swimmers to receive reduced funding for attending the meet. They will receive ½ share (\$100). **Motion made and passed.**
- e. Diversity and Inclusion-send 2 swimmers and 2 coaches included in budget for Diversity Camp. Add to budget a hosted camp within LSC for these underserved swimmers-request added \$2000 (this will be for 2018 for camp). Stephanie requests interested people to join the Diversity team. Age range for participation is any swimmer within LSC.
- f. Dina's Proposals
  - a. HOD held on 2<sup>nd</sup> weekend in October whenever possible- **Passed**
  - b. Athlete transfer fee-if a SRS athlete transfers from one club to another there is a \$10 fee unless athlete was not registered for the year or is transferring from another LSC.

Fee effective starting in 2018. (this is to cover the cost)

**Passed.**

- c. Effective immediately, athletes must be registered as of the entry due date of the meet. After verification of meet entries, if any athlete is not currently registered, the host club must submit a post-meet backup to the SRS registrar. If the athlete competed in the meet, and their registration is postmarked after the entry due date of the meet, the athlete/club will be fined \$100, in addition to the entry fee. Additionally the athlete will be disqualified from all events swum in the meet and will not be allowed to enter any competition until the fine is paid and registration is complete. Discussion related to changes in USA swimming rules for non-registered. **Passed**
- d. Beginning in Jan 2018, SRS registrar to be paid \$2000 per year as an independent contractor (1099). After retirement of sanctions chair those duties will be added to the registrar as well. Effective in Jan 2018, the LSC fee for both athletes and non-athletes would increase to \$8. Todd suggested that the fee be raised to cover the cost of the stipend. Coaches voted to increase to \$10. Dina's proposal amended from 8 to 10. **Motion made and passed.**
  - i. Vicki added the proposal for website and treasurer to be added to pay proposal.
  - ii. Patty Stratton volunteered to do the SRS website.
  - iii. Forms for 2018 need to be revised to reflect \$10 LSC fee
  - iv. Proposal made for Treasurer to reflect on hours spent doing the job for the next year and then present at 2018 HOD, does fiduciary responsibility warrant being paid or should the person be insured. **Motion made to table and present 2018.**
- e. Technical Planning Chair-Rich Freiss to set up meeting.
- f. Budget as presented with adjustments. **Motion made and passed.**
- g. Elections-Patty Stratton read Dina's resignation with Dina's recommendation that Samantha Zollinger take over the role of SR Registrar effective: athlete registration 11/1 and non-athlete 12/1.
  - i. Registrar-Samantha Zollinger (1 yr with re-vote next year)
  - ii. Secretary-Terri Adams (2 yr)
  - iii. Gen Chair- Mike Lewellyn (2 yr)
  - iv. Admin Chair-Vicki Marsh (2yr)
  - v. Sr Chair-Phoebe Pahis (2yr)

- vi. Age Group Co-Chairs-Stephanie O'Malley and Ryan Stratton (Stephanie is the vote for the position and attendance at conference) (1yr and re-vote next year)

**Slated panel as presented voted on and passed.**

- g. Next meeting will be in Boise at Spring Fling May 19<sup>th</sup>, 2018
- h. Fall HOD Oct 13<sup>st</sup>, 2018.
- i. Plan for LSC training in Feb.
- j. Adjourn 3:25pm.

Submitted by Lisa Johnson

**Addendum: LSC training planned and scheduled at Hilton Garden Inn Feb 10<sup>th</sup> 9am-5pm and HOD at La Quinta Inn Oct 13<sup>th</sup> in Twin Falls.**

# Snake River Swimming

## Modified Standing Rules

Article IV, Section 1:

- A. The Age-Group Vice Chair will head the Western Zone Meet Committee consisting of the Age-Group Vice Chair, selected Zone Coaches, and Zone Team Coordinators to take care of all aspects of planning and attending each Zone Meet.
  
- B. Swimmer Eligibility: To be a member of the Snake River Swimming Western Zone Team a swimmer must:
  - 1. be a registered member of Snake River Swimming; and
  - 2. achieve an "A" or "B" qualifying time standard, as defined under Part F, after September 1 of the current season, in such that the current season be defined as beginning September 1 and ending August 31;
  - 3. be a high-point award winner at the Snake River Swimming Summer Championships in the 9-10, 11-2 or 13-14 age-groups; or
  - 4. if two (2) Snake River swimmers in any age group qualify and plan to attend the meet, a third and fourth swimmer may be selected by the Western Zone Meet Committee based on the criteria outlined in Part C of this Section.
  
- C. Addition of Relay Swimmers: As referenced in Part B of this Section, if at least two (2) Snake River swimmers in any age-group qualify and plan to attend the meet, a third and/or four swimmer may be selected using the following criteria:
  - 1. Swimmers will be ranked by event using yard and meter times for the 50 Free, 100 Free, 100 Back, 100 Fly, and 100 Breast, with equal weighting placed on all events. Times performed in short-course yard competitions will be considered through June 1. More consideration will be given to long-course times. Rankings will be posted periodically on the Snake River Swimming website;
  - 2. The Western Zone Meet Committee will evaluate the rankings, with preferences placed on meeting the specific needs of relay swims. A swimmers lowest ranked event will be disregarded during the evaluation process. If there are two qualifiers, the committee will select two swimmers and one alternate swimmer to fill the relay. If

there are three qualifiers, the committee will select one swimmer and one alternate to fill the relay;

3. If selected swimmers decline the invitation in such that a relay cannot be formed, the committee may evaluate additional invitations at their discretion so long as such invitations maintain a similar standard and the integrity of the process is continued; and
4. Selected swimmers will be allowed to swim individual events within the restrictions of Snake River Swimming's total allotment of allowable nonconforming swims.

D. [Unchanged]

E. [Unchanged, but coding corrected]: Policies & Procedures

F. Time Standards: The following standards will be used for selection of the Snake River Swimming Zone Team(s):

1. "A" Standard: Equivalent to the meet standards established by the Western Zone;
2. "B" Standard: Equivalent to the "A" standard, plus 1.0 seconds added for each 50 of the respective event up to 200 yards or meters. Events longer than 200 yards or meters will have 4.0 total seconds added to the "A" standard.

Article V, Section 1:

The Coaches Association, which consists of all coaches currently registered with USA Swimming and Snake River Swimming, and the Age-Group Vice Chair shall select the Head Age Group Western Zone coach. The Coaches Association and the Senior Vice-Chair shall select the Head Senior Western Zone Coach.

A. The Selection Criteria is as follows:

1. A coach must have actively coached in the Snake River Swimming Association for a minimum of one year;
2. A coach must be current in all required certifications as defined by USA Swimming;
3. Special consideration may be given to coaches with the most swimmers in attendance at the Western Zone meets; and

4. Coaches should possess outstanding qualities of organizational ability, and be able to motivate swimmers as well as help them with race tactics when needed.
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- B. Head Coach – Six (6) or more swimmers must commit to attending a Zone meet in order for the LSC to pay the expenses and coaching fee for a coach to attend.
  - C. Assistant Coach – Twelve (12) or more swimmers must commit to attending a Zone meet in order for the LSC to pay the expenses and coaching fee for one assistant coach.
  - D. Additional Assistant Coach – Eighteen (18) or more swimmers must commit to attending a Zone meet in order for the LSC to pay the expenses and coaching fee for two assistant coaches.
  - E. Assistant Coaches will be selected by the Head Zone Coach and the respective Age-Group or Senior Vice Chairs.
  - F. The Head Zone Coach will be selected as soon as reasonably possible, but no later than April 30. Assistant Zones Coach(es) will be selected as soon as reasonably possible, but no later than July 31.
  - G. Coaches interested in serving as a Zone coach should indicate their interest to the respective Age-Group or Senior Vice Chair(s) by electronic mail. Selection will not be limited to coaches indicating their interest.
  - H. If one assistant coach is needed, the head coach will be paid 60% of the budgeted amount of the coaching fee and the assistant coach will be paid 40%. If two assistants are needed, the LSC will pay the expenses and coaching fee in an equivalent amount of the first assistant without reduction to any other coach. If there is no assistant coach, the head coach will receive the entire allotment.