



## PACIFIC SWIMMING COMMITTEE REPORT

To be submitted to Debbi Tucker ([secretary@pacswim.org](mailto:secretary@pacswim.org)) the Sunday prior to the next BOD meeting

**Committee:** Zone 4 Board of Directors

**Liaison to the Board:** Jim Morefield, Zone-4 Chair

**Date of Last Meeting:** September 8, 2015

**Members Present:** Jim Morefield (Chair, UN); Brian Holm (Vice Chair, RENO); Sharon Weiss (Secretary, LAKE); Jerry Rudd (Treasurer, TAHO); Valerie Rudd (Officials, TAHO); John Branco (Safety, CARS); Allison Kulikowski (Athlete, RENO); Justin Hight (Athlete, DDST); Erik Scalise (NNA); Lou Scalise (NNA); Julie Hardt (CARS); Kat Matheson (DDST); Nikki Willis (DDST).

**Date of Next Meeting:** Nov. 17, 2015

### **Action Items Completed: (since previous BOD report)**

- New Athlete Representatives appointed: Allison Kulikowski (RENO) and Justin Hight (DDST).
- First fall officials clinics have been conducted; more clinics on the schedule.
- March NNA meet moved one week earlier to avoid Easter weekend.
- Discussed issues being considered by Time Standards Task Force (see "other" below).

### **Action Items In-Progress / Pending:**

- Organizing for 2016 Zone All-star team.
- Considering moving meetings to 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of odd-numbered months (currently Tuesday).
- Considering usefulness of acquiring "A" medals for Zone-4 meets.
- Developing a consolidated Policies & Procedures document for Zone-4.

### **Announcements:**

- **Computer hacking incident:** during a recent Zone-4 meet the computer operator and meet management became aware of an apparent attempt by an individual to hack into the meet management software via an unsecured network, and to alter results during the meet in favor of a particular athlete. While meet management believes they know who the individual was, the evidence remains circumstantial. The meet results were corrected and verified by the end of the meet. Zone-4 meet hosts were advised to secure their network and Internet connections with strong passwords going forward. And all club representatives were advised to pass along that such hacking activity constitutes, at minimum, a serious violation of USA Swimming Code of conduct section 304.3.15.

### **Questions for the Board / Larger Group:**

- Consider if/how to communicate the above computer hacking vulnerability to the LSC and/or beyond.

### **Other:**

- In our discussion of Time Standards Task Force issues, Zone-4 coaches were unanimous (or nearly so) that (1) 15-18s should stay in JO and FW meets, (2) size and timelines of JO and FW meets should be controlled with time standards, (3) USA Motivational times should be used as standards for "C/B/A"

type meets, and (4) JO and FW meets should still have "custom" time standards (possibly based off of USA Motivational times by various percentages) to achieve the desired size and age group balance for those meets.