

Coastal Committee Minutes

3/14/23

1. Call to Order - 8:30 PM

2. **Reports**

a. **Chair:** Steve Reardon

i. No report

b. **Vice Chair/Planning/Op.Risk:** Alina de Armas

i. No report

c. **Senior Chair:** Mike Ashmore

i. No report

d. **Age Group Chair:** Adrian Dinis

i. No report

e. **Coaches Rep:** Michael Bechtoldt

i. No report

f. **Treasurer:** Cami Stein

i. Status: \$40,067.37

ii. How much \$ was brought in during 2022...\$7,100.00 (roughly)

g. **Secretary:** Erica Johnson

i. No report

h. **Diversity & Inclusion Rep:** Lenin Velasco

i. No report

i. **Governance:** Lynne Akasaka-Riek

i. No report

j. **Safe Sport Rep:** Tarrik Daou

i. No report

k. **Open Water:** Sean Kakumu

i. No report

l. **Officials:** Omar de Armas

i. USA Swimming rules changes

1. Breaststroke - coming off the turn or at start swimmers do not need to be in same horizontal plane

2. Backstroke - Swimmers may be fully submerged after the flags to the finish

a. This also includes IM back to breast

3. "Take your marks" is to now be used at the start of the race

m. **Athlete Rep:** Claire Wu – SR, Bryan Huang - JR

i. No report

3. **Old Business**

a. **Meet Formats/Sanction Process**

i. Meet form and sanction form emailed to Steve (classaquatics@aol.com) and Alina (alina@dearmas.co)

1. One of them needs to sign off on the meet form

ii. Once approved at the committee level all forms are sent on to Judi Divan. Judi will then communicate corrections that need to be made before a sanction number is issued.

iii. Both Meet Referee and Meet Admin confirm participation before sanction number is issued.

iv. Meet Director must fill out the information regarding [certified meet](#)

[marshals](#). Questions regarding this new requirement can be directed to Carol Cracchiolo (fixn2b@att.net)

- v. SCS has their bid meeting in June. Once their calendar is set it will be sent out to Coastal plan meets and it will be voted on in October
- b. **Novice Meets**
 - i. First one happening this weekend. Reach out to Tarrik for more information
- c. **Closed Invites**
 - i. Proposal - Close Invite meet dates need to be on the Coastal calendar as soon as they are scheduled.
 - 1. Sanctions need to be processed through Coastal Chair same as regular committee meets
 - 2. Closed Invites involving 2 or more Coastal teams must have permission from committee meet host if Invite is within one week of scheduled committee meet.
 - ii. Questions/suggestions that have come up by email
 - 1. Why not make a deadline - such as 90 days in advance for the calendar and 60 days in advance for the sanction
 - 2. Follow same sanction process as all committee meets
 - 3. Increase number of teams from "2 or more" to "3 or more"
 - 4. If a team were to declare their intention to host a closed invite at the annual bid meeting, would the policy of getting the permission of other adjacent meet hosts apply, or is this meant to regulate the last minute additions?
 - iii. We would still divide the committee north and south, just like what is done with regular meet sanctions
 - iv. Survey going to go out regarding potential numbers regarding attendance for meets until the end of the year.
 - v. Idea - Instead of asking permission from meet hosts put it in the hands of the Coastal Committee with input from the host team
- d. **Use of Committee funds**
 - i. **ASCA Reimbursement Proposal**
 - 1. Proposal - Coastal money to provide for sending up to 1 coach per team to ASCA, September 6-10, 2023
 - i. \$369.00 early bird registration by May 10. Must be an ASCA member at \$88 per year
 - ii. \$700 hotel (\$154 per night)
 - iii. \$300 food (used per diem for Dallas)
 - iv. \$1369 as a ballpark
 - v. 32 teams @ \$500 per team = \$16,000. Maybe propose up to \$10,000 at \$500 per person
 - b. If people don't take advantage, perhaps other teams could use the leftovers
 - c. Perhaps there is a deadline to apply for this by May 10 or you only get the money if you pay for ASCA first and then you get a \$500 reimbursement.
 - 2. Survey coaches to find out how many coaches are interested in going
- ii. **In person retreat/think tank**
- iii. **All Star Team/Trip** - Coastal funds can be used for this
- iv. **Coastal Diversity Camp** - Lenin can you put together a rough outline regarding details.

- v. **Backstroke Wedges** - 2 sets of 10 backstroke wedges. Looking for ways to get them from one meet to another.
 - 1. Idea - provide each team with one to practice with so that swimmers can get used to using them
 - 2. Contact Steve if you would like to use them at your meet
 - 3. Double check and make sure we have all of them straps
 - 4. PVST also has backstroke wedges they are willing to loan out. Contact Coach Emma if you are interested

4. **New Business**

a. **Flex membership for 13 & Up**

- i. Flex is up to USA Swimming
- ii. Seasonal memberships start April 1st
- iii. Going to look into making this concern heard

b. **Unattached athletes in high school**

- i. Nothing changes in their USA Swimming Registrations
- ii. Suggestion - make a separate team in your hytek file so those swimmers are already entered as unattached
- iii. If you don't send in those swimmers as unattached please either send a list to the admin running the meet or make sure your swimmers let the admin know.
- iv. Admin do not see the lists that are send to the SCS Office.

c. **PATH Meet Date**

- i. Last chance qualifier for JO's but not a last chance qualifier for sectionals.
- ii. Two possible weekends. This will be added to the calendar as soon as a meeting with the facility happens.

5. **Adjournment -**