



Southern California Swimming  
Coastal Section Committee

April 28, 2009

Present: Alina de Armas, Chair; Beverly Pierson, Secretary/Treasurer; Richard Pierson, Review; Stacy Smith, Age Group, CCAT; Jeff Conwell, Coaches/CANY; Omar de Armas, Officials; Gardner Howland, CSA; Tim & Vicki Hedrick, PVST, Jason Hodgson, SBSC, Matt Brown, SMSC, Jason York, BUEN, Mary Jo Swalley, SCS.

Chairman Alina de Armas called the meeting to order at 8:05 PM. The meeting was conducted via conference call.

Officer's Reports:

Chairman: Alina de Armas

1. Alina was not in attendance at the last SCS meeting, and asked Dick/Stacy to present the report. High school meets will only be observed if the pool has been certified. Because USA-Swimming meets are being held in uncertified pools, a motion was made to adhere to the USA-Swimming wording requiring pools to be certified. As of September 1, 2009, pools must be certified in order to get a USA-S sanction. At the senior meeting, the calendar for next year was defined. Based on the numbers from this year's Grand Challenge, a senior development meet will be added next April.

Vice-Chair: Mike Ashmore (NP)

1. No report.

Age Group: Stacy Smith

1. Pool certification is an issue. The meet form must indicate whether the pool has been certified. Mary Jo can provide references to surveyors for pool certification. The cost is about \$400. Get certifications done ASAP.
2. Issues have been brought up in other committees regarding the 4- and 8-hour rules and adhering to them. We need to find alternatives for handling the number of swimmers, or we will have to turn swimmers away.
3. CLSS cannot find a pool for the June last chance meet. Oxnard is being used for lifeguard tryouts, and Ventura College may have already been shut down.
4. The 2010 Summer Sectionals have been awarded to Canyons! A meet host for JOs will be needed to replace Canyons; it would be nice for another Coastal team to take this on.

Senior: Jeff Conwell

1. The Senior schedule is going back to the schedule from before Olympic Trials.
2. Short course sectionals will now be in December as the Winter Invite, rather than in March.

Secretary: Bev Pierson

1. No report.

Treasurer – Bev Pierson

1. The current balance in the treasury is \$11251.89

Officials: Omar de Armas

1. There is a new stroke and turn official that was just certified – Ilse Bacchus from Canyons. We are continuing to look for new officials. There are several in training in the Northern portion of Coastal (SMSC), some may be ready for review and sign-off. There is a roster of officials that is maintained by Dick Pierson (SCS Official's Chair); e-mail him if you want to be on the distribution list for updates.

Review: Dick Pierson

1. There is 1 issue coming up in review, dealing with recruiting.

Coaches: Steve Reardon (NP)

Old Business: None

New Business:

1. Bids for the Coastal Section meets in 2010 are due to Alina by May 30. A meeting will be set up in June to review the bids and set next year's schedule. Please make sure to check on pool availability and certifications as part of the bid process. (Alina)
2. Please educate your parents about telling swimmers to dive into the warm-up pool during meets; this is not acceptable. (Stacy)
3. Thanks to Bev Pierson for changing the Buena May meet format to keep swimmers in the meet (Stacy)
4. The diving certification log needs to be done for USA-Swimming. Forms for all swimmers need to be maintained as a team responsibility. Please see the documents on the SCS web site in the "News" section under "Certifying Racing Starts". (Stacy/Mary Jo)

Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 8:30pm.

Respectfully submitted,  
Beverly Pierson  
Secretary