Orange Committee Meeting Minutes – Amended Tuesday, January 23, 2018 @ 7:30 PM Woollett Aquatics Center, Irvine

Call to Order—7:32 p.m. by David Prodanovich, Chair

Motion to approve November, 2017 meeting minutes passed.

<u>Present</u>: David Prodanovich (Chair), Kim Hoesterey (Program Chair), Teresa Wilson (Secretary/Treasurer), Richard Davis (Officials), Jose De La Jara (Diversity Chair), Todd Conrad (Age Group Rep), Ken LaMont (Senior Rep), Alex Nieto (Open Water), Hannah Frey (Athlete Rep), Sarah Dawson (MVN), Mark Tierney (ORCA), Goran Westerlund (SCA), Tim Teeter (SET), Alex Materov (Riptides), Ken Russell (AAA), Evan Forbes (GSC), Tracy Maurer (GWSC), Patti Haney (Seal), and Shardad Djahangiry (EAST).

<u>Board Member(s) Absent</u>: Devon Ames (Vice-Chair), Bill Voigt (Coach Rep) and Owen Morrison (Athlete Rep).

Treasurer's Report (Teresa Wilson): Balance as of 12/31/2017 is 23,514.02.

<u>Age Group Report (Todd Conrad)</u>: NACC selection will be based on JAG results, perhaps also LCM season as a whole. Qualifiers will be asked to register on the website.

Those interested in participating in the Age Group Strategic Planning Session, contact Monique Shelton.

Rose Bowl has been asked to re-bid Spring JOs to 3 ½ days from the current 3 days. If cannot do so, then distance events will likely move to another venue.

SCS has requested that MVN move its Summer JOs to one week beyond the current August 1-5 time frame, in order to accommodate Jr. Nationals in Irvine.

<u>Coaches Report (Bill Voigt)</u>: Carried by Sarah Dawson (MVN). The geographic committees and SCS Board will hold conference call meetings the first Tuesday of the month, beginning February 6, to review pressing matters between BOD meetings.

Suggested to begin planning the 2019 meet schedule ASAP. SCS has mandated that committees hold a senior meet on MLK Weekend, 2019 as a selection meet for a Senior All-Star Meet (committees vs. committees) on Presidents' Day Weekend, 2019.

Open Water JOs will be held after JAG, not in late July as stated in the 2018 Swim Guide.

The 3-point, slide in entry to warm-up is now in effect at all age group meets, and a statement is required in all meet information sheets. Coaches are responsible for ensuring the policy is followed at meet warm-up.

The 15-over age groups will now be combined as 15-18; the current 15-16 time standards in each event for the 15-16 and 17-18 age groups will become the standard for events in the new, combined age group. The change will take effect starting April 1, 2018.

New procedure for "last ditch" entries – the admins at last ditch meets will no longer be taking entries or fees - takes too long to process and send out. Coaches/clubs will instead enter through a separate last ditch meet entry file, due at midnight on the Monday following the last ditch meet. Entry fees will be due to the Admin Referee on the first day of the SCS meet.

ASCA World Clinic Offer: Fee offered at \$150 for 1 coach per club (153 clubs), with SCS paying \$100 of the total, the club paying \$50. Deadline is February 23. If fewer than 153 are signed up by the deadline, the deal will open to any coaches until 153 spots are filled. If more than 153 coaches are interested, the \$150 rate (without any SCS contribution) will be offered to those additional coaches.

2018 Swim Guides are being sent out beginning the week of January 22.

<u>Senior Representative (Ken LaMont)</u>: SCS has awarded the Kevin Perry Invitational to La Mirada Armada, with a change of format. Concerns expressed regarding availability of adequate parking and/or warm-up space, based upon previous experiences where such was lacking. Rick Shipherd/Armada represented at the SCS meeting that these issues would be addressed and handled.

<u>Officials' Chair (Richard Davis)</u>: 3-point, slide in entry into warm-up adopted as policy. Coaches are responsible to instruct their swimmers, officials must ask announcers to remind participants. An instructional video can be viewed at <u>https://usaswimming.org/utility/arizona-swimming---3-point-entry</u>.

<u>Open Water Chair (Alex Nieto)</u>: Open Water JOs will be held following JAG, not at the end of July as stated in the 2018 Swim Guide.

<u>Diversity Chair (Jose De La Jara)</u>: Carried by SCS Diversity Chair Sarah Dawson. SCS will send a Western Zone All Star team of 3 athletes to the Black Heritage Meet in Washington D.C.

Camps: National Diversity and Inclusion Camp (Colorado Springs) will take place in May, athlete and coach applications due February 9. Western Zone Diversity and Inclusion Camp (San Diego/SDSU) will take place June 14-17, athlete and coach applications due to Sarah Dawson by March 20.

<u>Athlete Rep (Hannah Frey)</u>: Athletes expressed concern that all distance heats were contested in the prelims session at WAG, with no finals heat. She was advised that this may be the regular meet format going forward.

<u>Program Chair (Kim Hoesterey)</u>: **Next meeting set for Tuesday, February 27, 2018 at 7:30 pm.** The Ad-Hoc Program meeting begins at 7:00 p.m., the April 20-22 SET/STOP RW SC meets, May 5-6 GSC/AAA RW SC meets, and May 19-20 MVN Blue LC meet will be discussed.

Old Business: None.

<u>New Business</u>: A CMAC swimmer with primarily 10U JO cuts turns 11 after JO Max, but before JOs, so consequently qualifies for no championship meet. CMAC is advised to contact SCS/Kim O'Shea regarding possibility of swimming exhibition at JO Max.

All teams are reminded to convey your absence from attending a meet to host teams at a minimum of 90 days in advance.

Meeting adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Teresa Wilson, Secretary/Treasurer