

Southern California Swimming House of Delegates

Veterans' Memorial Bldg - Culver City, CA - Wednesday, November 14, 2012

Meeting called to order at 8:10pm by Jeri Marshburn (General Chair)

Attendees: Jeri Marshburn (General Chair), Mary Jo Swalley (Exec Director), Ron Ross (Treasurer), Stacy Smith (Planning Chair), Jeff Julian (Coach Advisory), Terry Stoddard (Senior Chair), Jeremy Anderson (Age Group Chair), Ed Ruth (Legislation), Bill Voigt (Orange Coach Rep), Bill Rose (Open Water Chair), Clem West (Review Chair), Don Garman (Metro Age Group Rep), Tom Mirabella (Metro Chair), Bob Hommel (Desert Coach Rep), Richard Pierson (Officials Chair), Judi Divan (Times Recognition), Ken LaMont (Orange Senior Rep), Mike Cody (Metro Coach Rep), Janelle Nguyen (Coastal Athlete), Victoria Lepesant (Metro Athlete), Rick Shipherd (RMDA), Lauren Hancock (Coastal Prog Chair), Jeff Conwell (PSP), Dave Kelsheimer (TSM), - Maureen Lennon (ROSE), Dave Salo (TROJ), Sheri Stoddard (PASA), Mark Tierney (ORCA), Michael Schicora (BAC), Adam Crossen (SOKA), Brian Brown (FAST), James Billbrey (MESA), Greg Gillette (CITI), Mark Osowski (CANY), Gyongyver Sovago (SMT), Mike Gautreau (CAA), Emily Hanson (MVN), Mark Warkentin (SBAC), Omar de Armas, Mike Bechtholdt, Christine Maki, Richard Davis, Joyce Phelps, West Carter, Bev Garman, Steve Quan, Armenda Ruth, Karen Davis.

Motion: Approve actions of 2012 Board of Directors **M/S/C**

Honors: 2012 Phillips Service Award presented to Richard Pierson.

Coach of the Year Award presented to Dave Salo

Edward C Ruth Officiating Award: Establishment of award in honor of Edward Ruth's many years of service to USA and Southern California Swimming. The 2012 inaugural award presented to Ed Ruth.

Elections for 2013 Officers - White ballot presented for Board of Directors and Board of Review **M/S/C**.

2013 Officers: Dick Pierson (General Chair), Jeri Marshburn (Administrative Vice Chair), Jeff Julian (Senior Vice Chair), Stacy Smith-Thornton (Age Group Vice Chair), Bettie Williams (Secretary), Ron Ross (Treasurer), Terry Stoddard (Planning Chair), Rick Shipherd (Coach Advisory selected by coaches at end of meeting)

2013 Board of Review: Sheri Stoddard, Jeff Conwell, Omar de Armas, Kim Hoesterey, Clem West, Ellen Whalen, Robert Wetzell, Mike Dickson, Lynda Julson, Teresa Pascuzzo, Tim Murphy

- Executive Director's Report - Mary Jo Swalley
 - a. Written Report submitted.
 - b. SCS registration numbers topped the nation for 2012 with 24,498 members. The 2013 year is off to record start. Registration report submitted through 10/31/12

Committee	2012	2013
Coastal	1,833	2,057
Pacific	1,769	1,512
Eastern	1,300	1,359
Orange	2,945	3,264
Metro	1,435	1,755
Desert	570	946
Totals	9,852	10,893

Non-Athlete: 632 members of which 390 are coaches (76 have an alert as incomplete or expired certification)

Clubs: 66 cleared - 1 league (SCAA) and 1 organization (Catalina Swim Federation)

- c. Fall Club and Coach Clinic focused on business of swimming to emphasize the importance of business and community relationships in marketing swim clubs to their local community.
- d. All clubs are reminded about the pre-employment screening requirement for new hires.
- e. Review of Anti-Bullying and Electronic Communication policies that every club must implement or default to USA Swimming policy. Requires annual review by all club members.

- f. Thanked all volunteers for their many hours of service to SCS in promoting the sport of swimming.
- General Chair - Jeri Marshburn
 - a. WR submitted.
 - b. Thanked the board and all volunteers for their help and guidance in her 4.5 year tenure as General Chair.
- Senior Vice Chair - Terry Stoddard - Report sent electronically
 - a. **Motion:** Recreate Southern California Senior Winter Invitational in December 2013, date to be determined based on schedule - Lauren Hancock to chair task force. **M/S/C**
 - b. Gold Sectionals to be moved from 12/2013 to 1/2014 due to change of school calendar.
 - c. Senior schedule will offer long course opportunities every month January-July 2013, alternatives to Grand Prix meets.
- Age Group Vice Chair - J. Anderson - RP
 - a. JO meet format should be online within 1 week
 - b. Super JO format to be online within 2 weeks
 - c. **Motion:** Super JO meet be re-named Southern California Swimming Club Championship **M/S/C**
 - d. Change SCS time standards heading in Swim Guide from Dec and June Invite to WAG and JAG.
 - e. Coaches for Pacific All Star Meet, January 5-6, in Santa Rosa @ Santa Rosa College have been selected: Ken LaMont (head coach/13-14 boys), Sean Kakumu (13/14 girls), James Reynolds (11/12 boys) and Sarah Dawson (11/12 girls). Terry Merlihan will be the manager.
 - f. **Motion:** Canyons Aquatic Club would like to host an Open Water Jr. Olympics on Monday following LC Jr. Olympics at Castaic Lake. **M/S/C**.
- Geographic Committee reports
 - a. Coastal - Stay Smith - Having a successful fall
 - b. Pacific - Jeff Julian - The committee is addressing overcrowding of meets by hosting 2 meets on meet dates that will be adversely impacted as indicated by meet intent numbers submitted by member clubs.
 - c. Eastern - Jeff Conwell will serve as Chair starting next month
 - d. Orange - Devon Ames - Committee officers have been elected
 - e. Metro -Tom Mirabella - Shari Stoddard will be 2013 Metro Chair
 - f. Desert - Mike Polk - NP
- Treasurer - Ron Ross
 - a. Current monthly reports available.
 - b. Discussion on SCS travel funds:
 - i. **Motion:** Fund open water championship as well as Nationals/Juniors for same athlete. **M/S/Tabled** until January '13.
 - ii. **Motion:** Committee recommendations that an athlete 18 or younger achieving a national time standard may elect to attend Nationals or Juniors for the season and upon written request within 30 days receive National funding. A second National time voids this option - **M/S/Defeated**
 - iii. **Motion:** Expand Junior level funding based on 2011 Winter Junior National standards. Club could choose to send an athlete attaining standard to choice during short course season: Sectionals (not limited to Gold Sectionals) or Juniors; during long course season Sectionals (not limited to Gold Sectionals), Zone Senior Meet or Juniors. **M/S/C**
 - iv. **Motion:** Athletes coming to SCS college or later; No change for college students who stay and represent SCS during travel year (athlete going home to another LSC not eligible); 10-60-100% no change. **Motion:** Professional athletes, National Team members without previous history of SCS membership would not be funded. **M/S/Defeated**
 - v. **Motion:** 2013 US Open and 2014 Nationals at Irvine - Calculate funding based on \$750 for fully funded athletes with \$500 to club, \$250 set aside for 2015 and 2016 for travel.

No change for Juniors. Also, no change in \$20K Trials set aside during quad. **M/S/ Tabled** until January '13.

- Secretary - No report
- Committee reports
 - b. Athletes - -NR
 - c. Coaches Advisory - Mr. Julian - WR
 - d. Disability - Mr. Beaird - NP
 - e. Diversity -Mr. Dinis - NP
 - f. Legislation - Mr. Ruth - WR
 - g. Officials - Mr. Pierson - WR
 - h. Open Water - Mr. Rose - SCS well represented in 2012 Open Water races including Haley Anderson's silver and Ous Mellouli's gold at Olympics.
 1. January World Cup in Brazil and Argentina – Christine Jennings and Anderson
 2. April 10 K Nationals – women 1, 2, 3, 7 and 13; men 2, 3 and 9. 5K women first through fifth, men 1, 2, 4, 9, 12 and 13.
 3. Portugal Olympic Qualifier – women 1 and 4, men first.
 4. Dave Kelsheimer (TSM) coach for Junior Worlds in Canada. Six SCS athletes on Jr team.
 5. Junior Pan Pacifics in Hawaii – women third, men first and third.
 6. 2013 Open Water World Championship Trials will be May 17-19 at Lake Castaic hosted by CANY. World Championships will be in Barcelona, Spain in July.
 - i. Planning - Ms. Smith - WR
 - Acknowledged all committees for putting in place solutions to over subscription at committee level meets.
 - j. Review - Mr. West - WR

Total of 24 protests for year. Largest number of protests is for returned checks
 - k. Safety -Mr. Stanbury – NP
 - USA Swimming working with American Red Cross to introduce a single course for Safety Training and First Aid; rollout expected mid-2013; will be a two year certification.
 - l. Times Recognition- Ms. Divan -WR
- Old Business -
- New Business -
- Resolutions and Orders -
 - a. East Los Angeles YMCA (ELAY) - Metro and Y of Southern Nevada (YOSN) - Desert
 - b. Pending: Paso Aquatic Club (PACK) - Coastal and LA County Titans (LACT) - Pacific
 - c. Adjournment 9:45pm

Respectfully submitted,

Bettie Williams

Secretary

Annual Report for 2012

General Chairman Jeri Marshburn

Well it is that time . Time to say goodbye to the old, hello to the new and to reflect on the past. It has been 4.5 years since I began my term as General Chair. It is amazing how slow/fast that time went! It has been a very rewarding time for me and I would like to thank this body for allowing me to have this experience. I can't tell you how much I appreciated the confidence you had in me to do the "right" thing and the patience you had as I grew into the position. As a large entity, 22,000 strong and growing, change is an ongoing process that seems to never end. I have tried to steer the ship toward positive change that would help those 22,000 athletes achieve those goals. Hopefully the record will reflect that.

I would like to thank the SCS BOD for all the help and advice you have given me in the last 4 years. Mary Jo Swalley, Stacy Smith, Ed Ruth, Ron Ross, John Dussliere, Dick Pierson and Terry Stoddard – your advice, time and listening skills have been invaluable to me. I can't possibly thank you enough for all that you have given me for the past 4 years. Jay Anderson and Judi Divan – you two have been my comic relief and not only do I thank you but my family as well as you two kept me laughing.

To all who have served on the SCS BOD during the last 4 years I want to THANK YOU for volunteering your time. Free time is a precious commodity and sharing it to help the young athletes in our LSC is greatly appreciated by all. I will now have to find ways to fill my day as my email inbox and voicemail will not be working overtime as the coaches, officials and parents will have someone new to email and call!

To Dick Pierson – You are going to do a great job. Remember there are many out there to help you, be patient with yourself and others, know that it is ok to occasionally ignore that email or voicemail (except mine of course!) and enjoy the ride.

Respectfully submitted,

Jeri Marshburn

Executive Director 2012 Report

London 2012: what an amazing showing by USA Swimming including nine Olympic team members, Coach Dave Salo and team manager Jeri Marshburn from Southern California Swimming. From Rebecca Soni's world record to Tyler Clary's 200 backstroke gold to Haley Anderson's 10K silver and all the stops in between for Jessica Hardy, Jason Lezak, Chloe Sutton, Ricky Berens, Eric Shanteau and Matt McLean, SCS was well represented in London. Eighteen SCS athletes have been named to the 2012-13 National Team; the National Jr Team includes eight SCS athletes. Six athletes will attend short course Worlds in December in Turkey, and four will participate in the World University Games.And on to Rio 2016.

Our membership numbers topped the nation with 24,498 members for 2012. The 2013 year is off on the Olympic year rocket with almost 11,000 year round members already registered. New Coach membership requirements are being revised for 2013, and the first round of renewals for the 2011 background screen program for coach and non-athletes are up for renewal. Meet attendance is clearly higher with more intra-squad, dual and tri meets offered as an overlay to the traditional committee age group meet structure.

At the Senior level, USA Swimming will bring the 2013 US Open, 2013 Junior Nationals plus the 2014 National and Junior Nationals to the William Wollett Aquatic Center, Irvine. This two year commitment to home meets offers the opportunity to save on club recognition travel funds to help our athletes travel in 2015 and 2016 when meets will most assuredly require air travel.

That said, all of us must pay close attention to THE most important initiative underway in USA Swimming, Safe Sport. All non-athlete members must now complete online athlete protection training. An online parent training module that does not require membership is available. USA Swimming's House of Delegates passed a requirement for every club to have policies on both bullying and electronic communication with annual review and consent by all members. USA Swimming has now produced and sent to every member club default policies to go into effect **if** a club does not have its own policy. Points to ponder:

1. Does your club have bullying and electronic communication policies?
2. Assume your club has policies: Have you read the "default" policies?
3. Does your club policy cover the same points?
4. What is your procedure to ensure that ALL your club families and coaches actually understand the policies and agree to the policies annually?

This year's fall clinic focused on the business of swimming. Hopefully attendees have carried back to their clubs the importance of business community relationships and of managing internet and social media to enhance swimming in the community. My thanks to National Team Director Frank Busch, USA Swimming Marketing Director Matt Farrell, USA Swimming Field Services Director Tom Avischious, Santa Clara Swim Club CEO John Bitter and Rancho Cucamonga Chamber of Commerce past president Joe Schumacher for their presentations.

I would like to take a moment to thank all of you who volunteer your talent and time to help Southern California Swimming represent the best, simply the best. This sport teaches many positive values to athletes, trains every participant in a lifetime sport and achieves success at the highest level – the Olympics. This year one of our stalwart volunteers, Ed Ruth, retires from the deck. I have worked with Ed at every level: novice to national including high school and college. Thank you Ed for all you have done in service to Southern California. It is my privilege to work for an organization so dedicated to developing the potential of its members.

Mary Jo Swalley

Executive Director, Southern California Swimming

Age Group Committee Report

Championship Meets

Winter Age Group Championships, hosted by Santa Barbara Swim Club and Sandpipers of Nevada, and Piranhas Swim Team were successfully planned and executed. Thank you to the coaches, parents and administrators of SBSC, SAND and PSP for their time and effort. The meets were fair and balanced with regard to the numbers and competition at each venue.

Short Course Junior Olympics, hosted by La Mirada and Santa Barbara Swim Club, were successfully run. Thank you to the coaches, parents, and administrators of La Mirada and SBSC for their time and effort.

June Age Group Championships, hosted by Buenaventura Swim Club, Irvine Novaquatics, and La Mirada Armada. These longtime hosts put in another top notch effort. Thank you to the coaches, parents and administrators of Buena, NOVA and RMDA for your time and effort.

Long Course Junior Olympics, hosted by Riverside Aquatics Association,, Conejo Simi Swim Club, and the Mission Viejo Nadadores, were well balanced efforts and came off successfully. Thank you to the coaches, parents and administrators of RAA, CSSC, and MVN for your time and effort.

SCS All Star Festival

192 swimmers were selected to participate in the SCS All Star Festival. The teams were well divided and the scoring was close with Coach Todd Conrad pulling out another in his string of Festival Victories. Thank you to Judi Divan, Jennifer Wohlenberg, and Steve Quan for providing logistical support as well as handling the Meet Administration. Thank you also to our volunteer coaching staff: James Reynolds (WAC), Amanda Ellery (CANY), Liz Tierney (RTL), Joanna Mykkanen (NOVA), Todd Conrad (COTO), Kacy Ota-(CSSC), Jess Withey (ORCA), Shari Twidwell (ZAP), Eddie Kim (LKWD), Daniel Colvin (BUEN), Andy Copley (TSM), Devonie Miguez (COTO), Desi Turcios (ORCA), Lauren Yee (FAST), Ashley Yotter (ORCA)

Pacific Coast All Star Team

32 swimmers were selected to the SCS All Star Team to participate in the Pacific Coast All Star Meet in Langley, British Columbia. The SOCAL all stars won the event. Thank you to the Managers and coaches who volunteered their time to attend. 11-12 girls – Sarah Dawson (MVN) 13-14 girls – Gina Duncan (OCW), 11-12 boys – Mike Bechtholdt (CANY), 13-14 boys - Ken LaMont (NOVA). Team Manager - Terry Merlihan.

North American Challenge Cup

80 swimmers were selected for the SCS All Star Team set to compete at the North American Challenge Cup in Edmonton, Alberta, Canada against All Star swimmers from Canada, Mexico, Pacific, and Pacific Northwest. SCS placed second behind Canada by the closest margin in meet history. Thanks to our volunteer coaching staff - Head Coach Jeremy Anderson (CANY), 11-12 girls – Victoriana Donnelly (CANY), 11-12 boys – James Reynolds (WHIT), 11-12 Assistant Sarah Dawson (MVN), 13-14 girls - JJ Jones (SBSC), 13-14 boys - Joy Lim (CCY), 13-14 Assistant Tyson Ormonde (ORCA), 15-16 girls – James Bilbrey (MESA), 15-16 boys - David Prodanovich (FAST), 17-18 girls - Mark Tierney (ORCA), and 17-18 boys – Todd Conrad (COTO). Thanks for MANY years of volunteer service go out to our managerial staff: Head Manager Georgi Cruzat, Steve Quan, Terry Merlihan and Susan Sheppard. Special thanks to Doctor Brad Smith for being “on call” for us while in Hawaii. We would also like to thank Swimming Canada for hosting the meet.

The Past Year in Legislation

- Spring Junior Olympics – Changed to a 5-14 meet at two sites using single age format for single final for 11-14 year olds while retaining the consolation/championship final for 5-10 year olds.
- Spring Junior Olympics – Added a Super JO /SCS Club Championship to the schedule for top 32 athletes in each age group.
- Junior Olympics – The 500 freestyle has been added to the event list for 5-10 year olds. The 200 Fly, Back, and Breast, 400 IM, 1000 and 1650 freestyle have been added as events for 11-12 year olds

Respectfully submitted

Jeremy Anderson
Age Group Chair

Coach Advisory Report - 2012

Submitted by Jeff Julian

Committee Coaches Representatives:

Coastal – Tim Hedrick; Desert – Bob Hommel; Eastern – James Bilbrey; Metro – Mike Cody;
Orange – Bill Voight; Pacific – Joy Lim

Southern California Swimming once again has proved itself among the best as we continue to perform on a National and International level. It was a very exciting year with nine swimmers (5 coaches) swimming in SCS represented on the US Olympic Team. We also had twelve coaches represented on National/National Junior Team lists. Congratulations to all of our Coaches!

USA Swimming's Safe Sport initiative continues to work towards making this sport as safe as possible for all involved. Through that process I implore coaches to be aware of the steps taken and policies that need to be in place within programs. This year there are two new policies that coaches need of keep in mind. Model policies have been put out by USA Swimming for the topics of Bullying and Electronic Communication. Programs are required to have policies in place and with the lack of one made by the programs, the USA Swimming models will be expected to be followed. Please be sure to make yourselves aware of those policies.

This past year has also developed a new format for short course championship meets within Southern California. We have now developed an age group based championship meet in February that will allow the best from all age groups within SCS to come together and race. This is an exciting development for SCS and I look forward to seeing this develop in the future.

Below are the highlights of Southern California coaches, athletes and teams. Congratulations to you all.

Virtual Club Championships



Short Course 2011-2012 Season: SCS Teams ranked in the Top 100

9th – Irvine Novaquatics; 16th – Mission Viejo Nadadores; 17th - Canyons Aquatic Club ; 21st - Aquazot Swim Club; 36th – Boulder City Henderson Swim Team; 45th – Rose Bowl Aquatics; 78th – Sandpipers of Nevada; 80th – Brea Aquatics

Long Course 2011-2012 Season: SCS Team ranked in the Top 100

8th – Irvine Novaquatics; 15th – Canyons Aquatics; 17th – Mission Viejo Nadadores; 31st - Aquazot Swim Club; 41st – Rose Bowl Aquatics; 51st – Boulder City Henderson Swim Team; 62nd – Sandpipers of Nevada; 80th – Brea Aquatics

2012 Club Excellence Program



Gold Medal Clubs – Mission Viejo Nadadores; Rose Bowl Aquatics; Santa Barbara Swim Club

Silver Medal Clubs – Swim Pasadena; Canyons Aquatic Club; Sandpipers of Nevada; Team Santa Monica

Bronze Medal Clubs – Rattler Swim Club

USA Swimming – Club Recognition Program - (28 Clubs Recognized)



Level 4 Clubs - Rose Bowl Aquatics; Santa Barbara Swim Club

Level 3 Clubs – Conejo Simi Swim Club; Pleasant Valley Swim Club; Santa Maria Swim Club

Level 2 Clubs –Empire Aquatic Club; MAX Aquatics; Mesa Aquatics; Riverside Aquatics Association; Sandpipers of Nevada; Swim Torrance

Level 1 Clubs – Canyons Aquatic Club; CLASS Aquatics; FAST Swim Team; Irvine Novaquatics; La Mirada Armada; Lakewood Aquatics;

Mission Viejo Nadadores; Orange County Waves; Orange Regional Competitive Aquatics; Piranha Swim Team; Rattler Swim Club; Redlands Swim Team; Royal Swim Team; Swim Pasadena; Team Santa Monica; Trident Swim Club; Vision Swim

Coaches placing athlete on the 2012 United States Olympic Swim Team – Medals

Dave Salo	Ricky Berens – Gold – 800 Free Relay; Silver – 400 Free Relay Eric Shanteau – Gold – 400 Medley Relay Jessica Hardy – Gold – 400 Medley Relay; Bronze – 400 Free Relay Rebecca Soni – Gold – 200 Breast; Gold – 400 Medley Relay; Silver – 100 Breast
Dave Salo/Catherine Vogt	Haley Anderson – Silver – 10K Open Water
Bill Rose	Chloe Sutton
Jon Urbanchek	Tyler Clary – Gold 200 Back Matt McLean – Gold – 800 Free Relay
Jeff Julian	Jason Lezak – Silver – 400 Free Relay

Coaches placing athletes on the 2012-2013 National or National Youth Teams –

Bill Rose	National Team – Christine Jennings, Chloe Sutton, Chad LaTourette, Ashley Twichell National Youth Team – Janardana Burns, David Heron, Katie McLaughlin, Brooke Lorentzen
Dave Salo	National Team – Haley Anderson, Jessica Hardy, Meghan Hawthorne, Andrea Kropp, Rebecca Soni, Mike Alexandrov, Ricky Berens, John Criste, Eric Shanteau
Catherine Vogt	National Team – Haley Anderson
Jon Urbanchek	National Team –Tyler Clary, Michael Klueh, Matt McLean
Tyler Fenwick	National Youth Team – Janardana Burns, David Heron
Kevin Blum	National Team – Meghan Hawthorne, Andrea Kropp
Jeff Julian	National Team - Jason Lezak
Ron Aitken	National Youth Team – Olivia Barker
Brian Pajer	National Youth Team – Corey Okubo
Dave Kelsheimer	National Youth Team – Jordan Wilimovsky
Mark Schubert	National Youth Team – Megan Rankin
Ken Lamont	National Youth Team – Courtney Mykkanen

Coaches named to USA Swimming Staffs –

2012 US Olympic Team –

Dave Salo	Assistant Woman's Coach
Jon Urbanchek	Special Assistant Coach
Jeri Marshburn	Assistant Manager

National Teams –

2012 Short Course World Championships

Jessica Hardy	Dave Salo
Andrea Kropp	Kevin Blum/Dave Salo
Chloe Sutton	Bill Rose
Michael Alexandrov	Dave Salo
Michael Klueh	Jon Urbanchek
Matt McLean	Jon Urbanchek

Assistant Women's Coach Coach Bill Rose

2013 World University Games –

Andrea Kropp	Kevin Blum/Dave Salo
Meghan Hawthorne	Kevin Blum/Dave Salo
Cindy Tran	Mark Schubert
Michael Alexandrov	Dave Salo

2012 FINA World Junior Open Water Swimming Championships –

Nicholas Norman	Bill Rose
Brendan Casey	Dave Kelsheimer
David Heron	Bill Rose
Jordan Wilimovsky	Dave Kelsheimer
Brooke Lorentzen	Bill Rose
Liliana Casso	Dave Kelsheimer

2012 Junior Pan Pac Championship

Corey Okubo	Brian Pajer
Janardana Burns	Bill Rose
David Heron	Bill Rose
Brooke Lorentzen	Bill Rose

Kevin Perry Coach Award:

2011 – Jon Urbanchek – Coach Urbanchek has started, and looks to be ending, his coaching career here in Southern California and after placing seven swimmers on the 2011-2012 National Team, we are very pleased to award Coach Urbanchek with the Kevin Perry Coach Award. Congratulations Coach Urbanchek.

2012 – Dave Salo – After another fantastic Olympic year for Coach Salo and his swimmers, it's my honor to award the 2012 Kevin Perry Coach Award. Coach Salo placed five swimmers on the 2012 US Olympic Team, which included a World Record, 4 Gold Medals, 3 Silver Medals and a Bronze. Congratulations Coach Salo.

Immediately following the end of the meeting tonight Coaches will vote to select next year's Coaches Advisory representative. I am nominating Coach Jeff Conwell for this position, but we will also take all nominations from the floor at the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,
Jeff Julian,
Coach Advisory Representative

Southern California Swimming
Planning – Annual Report
November 14, 2012

Planning's main objective continues to be in balancing athlete numbers at Age Group Championship meets by working with time standards chair, Judi Divan, to achieve time standards for the desired enrollment for a quality competition.

This fall, with the significant increase Age Group swimmer registrations (Olympic year syndrome), there is a compounding effect of BRW meets filling and closing, even when committees have two meets the same weekend to deal with large numbers.

In planning the committee competition calendars, it is becoming imperative to be proactive by surveying coaches/teams on their intent and estimated numbers to offer adequate competition sites without turning away large numbers of swimmers and to avoid making accommodations after the meet is closed.

The change in the Age Group Championship meet format and the creation of new time standards for these meets, is a work in progress. Your patience is greatly appreciated as this format and competitions are refined and re-evaluated for the benefit of the athletes.

Respectfully Submitted,

Stacy Smith