

## Metro Committee Minutes 2.8.2022

### Agenda/Minutes

1. Roll Call/Approval of Agenda- 8:04pm call to order, agenda approved
  - a. Attendance: Kevin Larsen- Chair; Lauren Skinner- Sec/Treas; Oliver Pena- Planning; George Young- Coaches Rep; Mark Faherty- Age Group; Terry Stoddard (for Sherri)- Senior Rep; Dennis Lee- Safe Sport; Mark Johnson- Open Water; Irvin Qi, Jocelyn Wang, and Austin Seo- athlete reps; Don Garman (RMDA), Mike Cody (TRID); Scott Watanabe (Rosemead)
2. Approval of Minutes- October 2021 Minutes approved
3. Old Business- none
4. Report of Officers
  - a. Chair- Kevin Larsen- (report attached)
    - i. 2022 Committee Meeting Dates
    - ii. Vacancy for Age Group Rep- nominate Coach Mark Faherty
    - iii. 3 finalists for SCS Exec Director
    - iv. New SCS Logo in works
  - b. Vice Chair- Joy Lim
    - i. All Star Meet Reimbursement
      1. 3 coaches- looks like \$69/day/coach, plus mileage for Coach Joy BUT unclear if LSC has offered to reimburse as well. Waiting for clarification, will revisit again at April meeting upon clarification
  - c. Secretary/Treasurer- Lauren Skinner
    - i. Balance: \$7,593.76
  - d. Planning Sr.- Federico Ricketts
  - e. Planning Jr.- Oliver Pena
    - i. 2022 Meet Schedule (schedule attached)
      1. Date Change for SC Metro Champs
        - a. 1 session/day, time standards for longer events, awards by division, medals 1st through 3rd
      2. Bids for open April meet and LC Metro Champs
        - a. Chair will reach out to Shore for possibility of hosting April LC meet, but if bulkhead still under repair, may reopen bids for SC April meet instead. CERR researching if their pool is certified for LC by USA Swim.
        - b. LKWD bid and approved to host July LC Metro Champs at Los Alamitos
  - f. Coach Rep/ DDEI- George Young (report attached)
    - i. Mentoring Program- propose to implement Metro Welcome Committee for new teams/coaches
    - ii. Forms and Information available for and gender question issues that may arise
    - iii. DDEI Swim Camp proposed for October

- g. Senior Rep- Sheri Stoddard
    - i. Still planning- will have more to report for April meeting
  - h. Open Water- Mark Johnson
    - i. Only major events planned, more info coming for April meeting
  - i. Safe Sport- Dennis Lee (report attached)
    - i. Girls Speak Up- approved by LSC Safe Sport Committee- Athlete Reps to come to each team to present curriculum
    - ii. Gathering ideas to promote SafeSport awareness among athletes and parents
    - iii. Be mindful of swimmers/parents/coaches using transphobic language
  - j. Age Group- vacant
    - i. Appointment- Mark Faherty (LKWD)
  - k. Athlete Rep- Ally Matheson (absent)
  - l. Athlete Rep- Irvin Qi
  - m. Athlete Rep- Jocelyn Wang
    - i. Athlete reps have been assigned to various LSC Committees
5. New Business
- a. Request to add review of Metro reimbursement process for host teams. Currently only reimbursing for Metro Champs (2) and RW Champs (1-2). Interest to make sure that reimbursement does not exceed income.
6. Announcements- next meeting April 19, 8pm via Zoom
7. Adjournment- 9:17pm

Upcoming Metro Meeting Dates via Zoom:

April 19

June 21

Metro Committee Chair Report  
Feb 8, 2022

- 2022 Metro Committee Meetings via @ 8pm
  - Tuesday, Feb 8
  - Tuesday, April 19
  - Tuesday, June 21
  - Tuesday, Sept 20
  - Tuesday, Oct 18
- SCS Board of Directors is in the process of interviewing for a new Executive Director. The search committee has narrowed the selection down to 3 finalists. We interviewed the 1<sup>st</sup> candidate yesterday and will finish the interviews next week.
- Age Group Rep Vacancy – Sergio Cervantes is now coaching for Blast Aquatics in Pacific. He resigned his position as Age Group Rep. I am recommending we fill the vacancy with Mike Faherty from Lakewood Aquatics.
- SCS has adopted a new logo that is in the process of being rolled out with the launch of a new SCS website.
- In a reversal of events, USA Swimming Safe Sport announced the requirement for Meet Marshals to be registered as Non-Athlete Members has been retracted. The entire USAS notice can be viewed at: [USAS Meet Marshal Requirement Update](#).

# **Metro Committee Coaches Report**

**Submitted by George Young/Feb 2022**

Southern California Swimming is planning to release a new Coach's Mentoring Program. I know some of the details, but not all the facts and the planning are still happening. A coaches meeting taking place on Feb 14 where details, planning, and rollout procedures will be discussed. Yes, Valentine's Day! I will attend. Talking to a few of the coaches, I would like to make the following motion:

***"Metro Committee has a "Welcome Committee for Coaches." Any time a new coach registers in the Metro Committee, the Metro Secretary will send out an email to the new coach and welcome and share with the new coach the rich history of Metro Swimming and supply a few contacts information that might be handy to have such as but limited to:  
Agenda and Metro Meeting dates & agenda items---Contact Metro Secretary.  
Coaches' certification concerns and questions ---Contact Metro Coaches Rep."***

My goal is to bridge and support the SCS mentoring program by engaging the new Metro Coaches. I hope this will be a working model for other Committees to follow.

The SCS Coaches Mentoring program has been in the works for several years, led by Mark Schubert and Terry Stoddard. Mitch Gold and Mark Schubert are moving forward and ensuring this SCS groundbreaking mentoring program takes off.

Safe Sport Report Metro Report- Feb 2022

Congratulations to Trident and San Gabriel for getting their Safe Sport Club renewed!

Girls Speak Up- the athlete reps reported at Safe Sport, that they would like to come out to each individual pool, and present a program curriculum by Girls Speak Up (<https://www.girlsspeakup.org/>) which empowers female athletes to speak up about various forms of abuse.

Safe Sport is working on creating a more streamlined process for becoming a recognized program, so if you have already gone through the process, and have any helpful hints, or areas that were particularly painful, please let us know- and we can try and address it for future teams.

And! Please make sure you are mindful about transphobic language from staff and swimmers!

### **2022 Metro Committee Meetings**

All Meetings will be held at 8pm and will be via Zoom until further notice.

- Tuesday, Feb 8
- Tuesday, April 19
- Tuesday, June 21
- Tuesday, September 20
- Tuesday, October 18



# Metro Schedule 2022 Calender

4	April	23-24	LC Meet	A,-BB-B,C	LC MEET	Open
5	May	21-22	LC Meet	A,-BB-B,C	LC MEET	Cerritos
6	June	11-12	LC Meet	A,-BB-B,C	LC MEET	Downey Dolphins
7	July	9-10	Metro Champs	A,-BB	LC MEET	Open
8	July	16-17	Metro Festival Meet	BB, B,C	SC Meet	Trident
9	September	17-18	2 Day meet	A-BB-B	SC Meet	COMMERCE
10	October	15-16	2 Day meet	A,-BB-B,C	SC Meet	Cerritos
11	November	12-13	11 th Veterans Day	A,-BB-B,C	SC Meet	Downey Dolphins
12	December	2-3-4	2 Day or 2 1/2 Day meet	A,-BB-B,C	SC Meet	Trident