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General Chair's Report, Terry W. Stoddard

Many Changes have occurred in the world; in the world of swimming and Southern California Swimming since our last meeting on April 15<sup>th</sup>!

The COVID-19 Crisis has continued to impact life in The World / America / Southern California. Uncertainty Remains King! Southern California Swimming continues its **"Planning To Plan"!**

**Informational items:**

- The ***"Leadership Team"*** made up of the Geographic Committee Chairs has offered unprecedented leadership in this unprecedented Emergency – the COVID-19 Crisis. We continue to meet every Monday at 6:00 P.M and will continue to do so as needed. **You can count on them! You should lean on them!** We will "Get Through this Together"!
- SCS remains connected with USA Swimming Leadership Team, what was weekly which is now biweekly, Zoom meetings to keep our finger on the pulse of news, plans, resources, actions and again partnerships that exist nationwide.
- Southern California Swimming has created a Reopening SCS Swimming Pools Task Force which has produced a letter writing campaign that begins with Teams/Clubs and Group members developing relationships and hopefully partnerships with a large number local government and agencies that will continue to enhance essential partnerships between these USA Swimming Teams/Clubs and their Aquatic Facilities.
  - The three parts to their efforts are
  - Part I to reopen pools; Part II to educate authority to place Regulated Lap Swimming in Phase II and two educate "District Facilities" on the Regulated Lap swimming process.
- USA Swimming has created an Aquatic Coalition to again create partnerships within the Aquatic Community. SCS Staff and Leadership is taking on a proactive role of being poised to connect with this National Coalition at the LSC level.
- A Five California LSC's Task Force has been formed including the five General Chairs and leaders within each LSC. You have seen action that has grown out of that "Working Group" including a letter to Governor Newsom and a petition by Madison Blackwell, Orinda Aquatics with, to date, with over 20,000 signatures. This group continues to meet on Thursday's at 12:30 P.M.
- SCS has hosted two Town Hall Meetings of which both had positive and constructive outcomes. These will continue as need to afford those that attend pertinent information regarding the LSC.
- USA Swimming Board of Directors has made changes in their By Laws to stay connected with this new normal.
- USA Swimming has put a moratorium on all meet sanctions through June 30<sup>th</sup>. They have indicated a potential extension and we are expecting word on that at any time.

**Actionable Items:**

- The SCS BOD accepted the initiative of a "30-60-90-RTP Planning" Model. The purpose of this initiative was to create the regulation for the LSC and guidance that you could use to do what was best for your Team/Club.

- It officially Began on 6/12/2020.
  - Phase I-6/12-7/11;
  - Phase II-7/12-8/10 &
  - Phase III-8/11-9/9.
- The first day of the 30-60-90-RTP will begin on **June 12<sup>th</sup>**.
- The first 30-days #1 to 30 will be from June 12<sup>th</sup> to Saturday, July 11<sup>th</sup>
  - The first day of the next phase will be **Sunday, July 12<sup>th</sup>**.
- The next 30 days #31 to 60 will be from July 12<sup>th</sup> to Monday, August 10<sup>th</sup>
  - The first day of the next 30 days will be **Tuesday, August 11<sup>th</sup>**.
- The next 30-days #61 to 90 will be from August 12<sup>th</sup> to Wednesday, September 9<sup>th</sup>.
  - The first day what is essentially Day #91 will be **Thursday, September 10<sup>th</sup>**.

I have spent some time working with our Web developer Project Insight.

Steve West has made presentations to the Leadership Committee and the Executive Committee and he will present to the Full BOD on September 17<sup>th</sup>. Project Insight has provided a proposal of which we will forward to you as a part of these minutes.

- I am asking for permission to create a Website Development Task Force in which I will appoint to look at not only this proposal but also a Social Media Policy Statement and the decision to request more proposals. I would like to give the Executive Committee the authority to decide the direction of the SCS Website Development after a recommendation of the Website Development Task Force.

I would like to have approval to have the personnel committee fly a position of ***Content Developer and Social Media Manager***; interview candidates and make a decision on a new staff position for SCS. This position will be a part-time position to be determined by the Personnel Committee. This person would report to the Executive Director. I am asking that the Personnel Committee have permission to meet and make a recommendation to the Executive Committee for a decision.

Appointments - Still to be determined:

SCS Staff Structure Task Force - TBD

Disability Committee                                       TBD

Social Media Task Force                                    TBD

Heritage and Heroes Task Force   TBD

***Proposed – Website Development Task Force – Still to be approved 6/17/2020***

Task Force activity that is still in progress:

1. Club Development Task Force – Brian Brown
3. Teleconference Board Meetings Task Force – Cami Stein
4. Social Media Task Force – TBD
5. Heritage & Heroes - Task Force – TBD

Respectfully submitted,  
Terry W. Stoddard, General Chair