

Western Region Section Summer 2010 Meeting
Thursday, July 22, 2010
Mt. Hood Community College, Gresham, Oregon

Attendance: Jeff Gudman - Secretary MAC, Oregon; Shawn Smith – Administrative Chair, TOPS, Colorado; Andy Niemann, MACS, Colorado; Todd Schmitz, STAR, Colorado; Brandon Drawz, Mt. Hood, Chair, Oregon; James Richey, Boulder Swim Team, Colorado; Jody Braden, PAC, Oregon; Ron Lockwood, WFFM, Utah; Rick Guenther, Corvallis Aquatic Club, Oregon; Skip Runkle, MHA, Oregon; Mark Burnett, Bend, Oregon; John Walker, OCA, PNS; Todd & Vicki Marsh, Spokane Area Swimming, Inland Empire; Chris Richmond, SCAT, Oregon; Linda Eaton, STAR, Colorado; Ken Swanson, KING, PNS, Charlie Rust, BISC, PNS; Kyle Johnson, IST, PNS; Alexis Keto, CAC, Colorado, Cliff Murray, NLSC, Alaska; Ben Olszewski, SSC, PNS; Dee Loose, HAST, Utah; Marilyn Syndral, CAC, Colorado; Todd Rychek, VAST, PNS.

Brandon Drawz, Chair, called the meeting to order at 1:15 p.m.

Material distributed in advance of the beginning of the meeting

Agenda – July, 2010 meeting
Minutes of March 10, 2010 meeting
Western Region Section Meeting Financial Report for March 3, 2010 – July 13, 2010
Western Region Section Championship Regulations
Western Region Section By-laws
USA Swimming 2010 – 2012 Quadrennial Plan
Western Region Section Championship Reimbursement Form
Section Task Force - # of meets Report

Announcements:

- 1) The IMX games in the Western Zone will be held November 19 – 20, 2010 at Mt. Hood and at Phoenix Swim.
- 2) The Husky Invitational meet will be held the first week of December 2010.
- 3) Coaches/Officials social to be held Thursday night at McMenniman's Edgefield House

Secretary's Report: There was a motion, second and approval to accept the minutes of the March 10, 2010 meeting.

Treasurer's Report: It was moved, seconded and approved to accept the financial report for the period July 13, 2009 to March 3, 2010.

Cash Balance March 3, 2010 \$ 2,134.41

Receipts

Proceeds, March 2010 Sectional Meet	18,606.67
Interest Income	<u>0.26</u>
Total Receipts	18,606.93
Disbursements	
Short Course Nationals (22 athletes, 15 coaches @ \$243)	8,991.00
Short Course Junior Nationals (48 athletes @ \$121.50, 14 coaches @ \$243)	9,234.00
Total Disbursements	<u>18,225.00</u>
Net Change in Cash	<u>381.93</u>
Cash Balance July 13, 2010	\$ 2,516.34

Western Region Section Senior Championship reimbursement request forms for the Short Course National Championships and Junior Nationals were provided. Bruce Stratton, Treasurer, has additional reimbursement forms, if needed.

Monies collected from the Summer Sectional Meet will be allocated to athletes and coaches who attended the August 2010 Long Course National Championships or August 2010 Junior Nationals and the Summer Sectional meet. The allocation for athletes will be 1 share for Summer Long Course Nationals and ½ share for Junior Nationals. The allocation for coaches will be 1 share for each meet. An athlete and coach can get a share for both meets if they attend both of them.

All reimbursement requests need to be submitted to the Treasurer within 15 days after the completion of Junior Nationals.

It was noted the section receives 1/3 of the entry fees for the meet which are then allocated for travel reimbursement.

Reports of Officers: Other than the Treasurers report there were no other reports.

MEET BIDS.

Spring 2012 Sectionals: There were no bids for the Spring 2012 sectional meet (to be held long course). Bellevue Club Swim Team is a possible bidder. Brandon will follow up. Subsequent to the meeting VAST agreed to host the meet.

Summer 2012 Sectionals: Mt Hood Aquatics submitted a bid for the summer 2012 sectional meet to be held July 24 – 28, 2012. The meet is one week later due to the movement of the US Open/National Championship one week later. There were no other bids. It was moved, seconded and approved to accept the Mt Hood Aquatics bid.

Summer Sectional Task Force Report -

The task force appointed in the spring reported back to section on the possibility of going from 2 to 3 summer sectional meets in the Western Zone. This summer the sectional meet at Mt., Hood has 880 plus swimmers this year (650 last year – most of Arizona and PNS did not attend in 2009 due to meet conflicts) and the sectional meet in California this year has 1.100 plus swimmers.

Consensus (not unanimous) items from the task force are:

- 1) The meets are generally ok although warm-up space, ability of people to coach swimmers at the meet in the spring is challenging, length of meet can always be improved
- 2) It would be great to have additional facilities in our section that could host either short or long course meet
- 3) First choice for tweaking the length of the meet is to adjust the time standards
- 4) The spring meet is less of a problem than the summer meet
- 5) Impact of senior zone meet may be favorable, but is unknown at this time.
- 6) The two meets generally work as a stepping stone to national level meets.

During the section meeting, other issues raised included the importance of the section meet as a season ending meet and a stepping stone meet to national competition. The leadership of the other section appears to not be interested in realigning the section into three meets for the **summer meet only**. There is also concern about making the meet too close to the same time standards as Junior Nationals. In any event, the time standards protocol for the sectional meet should not be changed. Another idea to be considered if the zone stays with 2 sectional meets is to add an event to Tuesday's event.

After extensive discussion the following was moved, seconded and approved for the **summer meet (long course)** only.

- 1) If there are 800 or fewer swimmers entered, any swimmer may enter up to 6 individual events they have qualified for.
- 2) If there are more than 800 swimmers entered, swimmers entered with 6 individual events will only be permitted to swim 5 individual events. Swimmers entered in 5 or fewer individual events will not be impacted.
- 3) The meet entry form will be modified to permit swimmers entered in 6 individual events to designate which event will be dropped.
- 4) If a swimmer who enters 6 individual events does not designate which event will be dropped, the meet director will remove the slowest entry time event. e.g. the 200 breaststroke is slower than the 200 free
- 5) If the number of events for a swimmer is dropped, the swimmer and/or club must request reimbursement of entry fees prior to the end of the meet.

In light of the 1,100 plus swimmer at the other sectional meet, Brandon Drawz will again follow up with the leadership of the other section to see if there is any interest in adding a third section meet in the summer.

Upcoming Meets:

Summer Nationals 2010	Irvine, Cal	8/3 – 7/10	confirmed
Summer Jun Nationals 2010	Irvine, Cal	8/9 – 13/10	confirmed
Pan Pacific Championships	Irvine, Cal	8/18-22/10	confirmed
Short Course Nationals 2010	Columbus, Oh	12/2 – 4/10	confirmed
LC Time Final National Invitational – 2010	Columbus, Oh	12/5/10	confirmed
Short Course Junior Nationals	Atlanta, Ga	12/9 - 11/10	confirmed
Long Course Time Final	Atlanta, Ga	12/12/10	confirmed
FINA SC World Championships	Dubai, UAE	12/15-19/10	confirmed
Spring 2011 Sectionals (hosted by Husky Swim Foundation)	Federal Way	3/9-13/11	confirmed
Summer 2011 Sectional (hosted by Mt. Hood Aquatics)	Mt. Hood	7/19-23/11	confirmed
FINA LC World Championships	Shanghai, China	7/24-31/11	confirmed
Summer Nationals 2011	Palo Alto	8/2-6/11	confirmed
Junior Nationals 2011	Palo Alto	8/8-13/11	confirmed
World University Games	Shenzhe, China	8/8-14/11	confirmed
Pan American Gamers	Guadalajara, Mex	10/15-22/11	confirmed
SC Nationals 2011	Atlanta	12/1-3/11	confirmed
LC Time Final National Invitational – 2011	Atlanta	12/4/11	confirmed

Short Course Junior Nationals	Minneapolis	12/8-10/11	confirmed
Long Course Time Final	Minneapolis	12/11/10	confirmed
Spring 2012 Sectionals (LC) (hosted by VAST)	Federal Way	March 2012	confirmed
Olympic Trials	Omaha	6/25 – 7/2	confirmed
US Open	??????	8/6 – 10	confirmed
Long Course Junior Nationals	??????	8/12 – 16	confirmed

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Brandon Drawz and Bruce Stratton were elected to a two year term as General Chair and Treasurer. It was noted the group was overruling the section by-laws with respect to the election of officers from the same LSC's.

NEW BUSINESS

I Section Meeting Time: The section meeting is on the third day of the meet (the day of the 200 Free and 400 IM). The meeting should begin after the completion of prelims. This information should be in the meet information

II Awards

There was discussion of having fewer awards with continued recognition of the top 8. More dollars would be spent on the top 3 awards. After discussion it was decided to leave the current system in place. The section should consider having the awards immediately after the championship final rather than waiting. The individual event entry fee for the meet was \$10.00. After additional discussion it was moved, seconded and approved to make the individual event entry fee \$8.00 for all future meets. Changing the fee will require a vote of the section.

III 1500 Warm up

The protocol for the number of swimmers in the 1500, warm up for the 1500 and the number of swimmers per lane was changed to the following. The change will need to be made to the meet entry information.

If the projected length of Saturday's 1500 freestyle preliminary events does not allow for the scheduled Finals start time, the meet referee reserves the right to first, reduce the warm-up time for the Finals' session to one hour; second, to swim some number of the

heats two-to-a-lane and third, to begin the Saturday warm-up period for the preliminary session one hour earlier (6:00 a.m.)

IV Hotel Booking Option

Hotel booking information through a search engine option will be included in the meet entry information.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 2:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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July 20 - 24, 2010
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Team Results

	<u>Women</u>	<u>Men</u>	<u>Combined</u>
First	Colorado Stars	Tucson Ford	Denver Hilltoppers
Second	Denver Hilltoppers	Denver Hilltoppers	Tucson Ford
Third	King Aquatics	Rally Sport Aquatics	King Aquatics
Fourth	Mt. Hood Aquatics	Corvallis Aquatics	Rally Sport Aquatics
Fifth	Bearcats Swim Club	Greenwood Tiger	Corvallis Aquatics

Individual Statistics

	<u>Name</u>	<u>Team</u>
High Point Women	Missie Franklin	Colorado Starts - Colorado
High Point Men	Tyler Messerschmidt	Westside YMCA - Arizona

Meet Administration

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Meet Director – Brandon Drawz	drawz@mhcc.edu