

November 11, 2024

PNS B.O.D.

Call to Order: 7:36pm

Close to Order: 8:47pm

In Attendance:

Chad Winkle – General Chair  
Ken Spencer-Finance Vice Chair  
Corrie Canaday-Program Operations Vice Chair  
Darla Long  
Jocasta Xie-Athlete Representative  
Nick Chevalier-Coach Representative  
George Minkel-Secretary  
Carl Baber-Safe Sport Operational Risk Chair  
Aaron Hughes-At Large Representative

John Gagliardo – Administrative Vice Chair  
Kiko Van Zandt  
Garrett McCaffrey-Senior Vice Chair  
Jaiden Sreenivasan-Athlete Representative  
Ellie Wang-Athlete Representative

Ed Lesnick-Officials Committee Chair  
Alex Reed-At Large Representative  
Melissa Stiner-Membership/Registration  
Lorraine Masse-Treasurer

Dave  
John Skroch  
Rick Cox

## **AGENDA**

- 1) Call to Order
  - a. 7:34pm
- 2) Approval of Minutes
  - a. General Chair motions to make amendments to the September 9. BOD minutes to include the board voting on approval of Corrie Canaday into the Program Operations Vice Chair and to correct Disability representative information. Emily is no longer disability chair, Kiko Van Zandt is continuing in the position.
  - b. Administrative Vice Chair seconds the motion into a vote with no opposition to the changes.
- 3) Board Member Reports
  - a. OFFICIALS CHAIR REPORT
    - i. The number of new stroke and turn judges are down compared to the past year. There is question to if the new “R9” legislation is making an impact on interest. The Officials chair will continue to create ways to reach out to potential new stroke and turn judges. The LSC is down 74 stroke and turn judges compared to the past year. The LSC has 21 new Administrative officials for the current year.
  - b. AGE GROUP VICE CHAIR REPORT
    - i. Welcome Darla Long
    - ii. The General Chair has appointed Darla Long of IST to the Age Group Vice Chair position. The appointment was presented to the board and the Administrative Vice Chair moves to vote on Darlas appointment. John Skroch {Position} seconds the motion into a vote, the vote passes.
    - iii. All-Stars Meet update: The deposit on the team bus has been made. Applications are available to coaches and athletes for team consideration. Application deadline is December 13, 2024 with a decision deadline of December 16, 2024. The order for apparel has been started. The team

practice schedule is being planned. The Age group Vice Chair report has been posted online the PNS website. The General Chair and the Coach Reps will help with the transition of Darlas new role.

c. SENIOR VICE CHAIR REPORT

- i. Had touched base with the PNS Treasurer regarding reimbursement sent for senior zone swims. A number of PN clubs have reached out asking of confirmation reimbursement is on its way. The treasurer has confirmed the reimbursement is on its way to clubs. Reimbursement delayed by Age Group Zones USA Swimming payouts.

d. PROGRAM OPERATIONS VICE CHAIR REPORT

- i. With the help of the PNS Administrative Chair, the process of how teams order championship rewards have been researched. Ordering with Hasty awards, any left-over awards will return to PNS. The returned awards will be recycled back to future hosts of PNS meets.
- ii. A recent swim meet experienced operations with an uncertified meet director. There were issues with swimmer's times not being valid into SWIMs. The Chair stressed the importance of teams to check their officials and coach credentials for the swim's validity.

d. PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT VICECHAIR REPORT

- i. Nothing to report

f. ADMINISTRATIVE VICE CHAIR REPORT

g. ATHLETE REPRESENTATIVES REPORT

- i. Led by Ellie Wang. A monthly newsletter has been emailed to teams for PN combined practices. Athletes should reach out to the Athlete Representatives email for inclusion. The PN Administrative chair will be CC'd onto future email blast with practice notifications.

h. COACH REPRESENTATIVES REPORT

- i. Nothing to report

i. SAFE SPORTREPORT

- i. Received some "R.O.O" reports from practices on swimmers getting hurt. The most common offense was swimmers swimming into each other's heads. The representative encourages coaches to remind swimmers of the need to be careful and aware, and coaches stay vigilant. The Diversity chair has asked if there was an age group that stood out in the statistics. Across the board, the offenses are spread out equally amongst age groups.

j. FINANCE VICE CHAIR REPORT / TREASURERS REPORT

- i. Budget vs. Actuals is off to a good start. The Western Zones officials reimbursement has been received by USA swimming. A review of the PNS Meet TAB policy occurred. Offering electronic funds vs. check only leads to sooner and safer payments to PNS. The treasurer and finance chair would like to wait another meeting cycle to evaluate the idea of moving the current 75 day policy post meet for TAB reports to 45 days. The longer time for teams to get the TAB report in is delaying results into PNS budget report. The treasurer will notify teams looking for reimbursement from Senior Zones when payment is sent.

k. DIVERSITY VICE CHAIR REPORT

- i. The previous Diversity chair has recommend Barbara W as new nominee. The general chair has approved the recommendation and the administrative vice chair motions to vote Barbara W in as the new Diversity Vice Chair. The officials chair seconds the motion into a vote, the vote passes with no opposition.

l. DISABILITY REPORT

- i. USA Para swimming nationals in Orlando to be held December 13-15/2024. Entries are due 12/01 and any interested team can find the meet information on USA swimings website. Domestic

classification are available. Appointment slots fill quickly. Anyone should feel free to reach out to the Disability chair with any questions via email, call, or text message.

#### 4) New Business

##### a. Vote on new AG Vice Chair

- i. Please reference the Age Group Vice Chair report.

##### b. Legislation Walk Through from John G

i. USA swimming bylaw changes from a 2009 template of been changed at the annual USA swimming business meeting. Any "FINA" will be changed to "World Aquatics". Gender neutral references are also included. PNS has to accept the changes to the bylaws and clubs need to make the same changes by December 1<sup>st</sup>. PNS has already changed the verbiage to match the new USA swimming changes. Changes were made aware to the board at the September 9 meeting.

##### c. Meet Director Role Rules Discussion

- i. Please reference the Program Operations Chair report.

##### d. 2025 Meeting Dates/Times

- i. 01/13/2025

- ii. 03/10/2025

- iii. 04/28/2025

- iv. 05/10/2025 (House of Delegates)

vi. 06/09/2025 (remaining 2025 dates will be determined by the newly voted members from the HOD meeting)

#### 5) Old Business

##### a. Officials Travel Revision

i. Travel revisions should be stricken from PNS policy. Removed travel radius outside 75 miles. In 4 years of policy only 2 used it's resource. Officials chair is looking for incentives for officials to become "evaluators". Officials need to work a "NZ level 3" swim meet with 5 years to become an "evaluator".

ii. A call to vote to approve the changes made to the travel revision policy has been motioned by the Officials chair. Safe Sport rep seconds the motions...discussion followed if the change should be made immediately or wait until HOD for approval. Payments to officials as reimbursement could be in questions in the vote fails at HOD. According to the budget, payments would still occur for officials at Jr. Nationals, and pro series officials.

##### b. JR Official Fees

- i. No interest to follow up

##### c. Outreach Membership

- i. Nothing of interest to follow up

##### d. Switch to Microsoft

i. PNS.org domain now belongs to PNS. 1-1 emails with board positions will be available within two weeks. The use of Microsoft administrator should be a benefit to the LSC.

##### e. Investment Changes

i. A vote was motioned to adopt changes to PNS investments. Moving accounts into a professional service. The vote passed. The change is moving from Fidelity into an "ID"

Call to Close: General Chair moves to end meeting, administrative vice chair second, passes. END 8:43pm