

To: All Hawaiian Swimming LSC Members

Subject: January 20, 2002 General Membership Meeting

1. The Hawaiian Swimming General Membership met on Sunday, January 20 at Chaminade University. Those present were Ken Suenaga, Brian Lee, Dave Coleman, Barbara Kopra, Denise Moore, Jane Suenaga, Larry Oshiro, Jessica Cahill, Stan Wada, Adele Wada, Lynette Chew, Bob Nowak, and Kathy Fay.

2. The meeting was called to Order at 10:08am

3. The minutes from the December 9, 2001 Board Meeting were approved with the following correction: Adele Wada and Jessica Cahill were in attendance.

4. Committee Reports

a. Membership - Lynette Chew. Several teams have not yet registered for this season and therefore cannot sponsor any meets unless they register. Swimmer transfers are being incorrectly submitted with a \$1 fee rather than \$5 fee as approved.

b. Maui Representative - Jessica Cahill. A question was raised on Maui as to who has the authority to change a meet notice after it has been issued. Specifically, the venue for Short Course Champs was changed from Kailua to UH. Neighbor island teams lost deposits that they had paid for lodging. One team lost \$2,000 in deposits because they wanted to stay closer to UH once they learned that the meet had been moved. A motion was made and seconded, that a recommendation be made to the board stating that once a meet notice for State Champs is published, the venue cannot be changed unless the original venue is no longer available. The motion passed unanimously.

c. Big Island Representative - Barbara Kopra. The Big Island is ready for the long course season.

d. Officials - Dave Coleman. Dave noted that when the LSC changed the season schedule to have Short Course Champs in December, the intent was that January and February would be an "off" time with few age group meets. It is manageable to run one unclassified meet in January and one in February but more than that is a hardship on officials. Dave's recommendation was referred to the Technical Planning Committee.

Only one national officials meeting is scheduled this year and it is in May. Jeff Baker will have first choice to attend because he never has been able to go due to his work schedule. Marcelle Arakaki is next in line if Jeff cannot go. Dave's goal is to send a new referee if possible to these meetings.

e. Senior Swimming - Brian Lee The next meet is February 15; Senior Champs is March 8, 9, and 10. The format will be the one recommended in the USA Swimming Rule Book.

f. Coaches Rep. Ken reported because neither representative was in attendance. Two swimmers and one coach are being funded by USA Swimming to attend the Oceanic Swim Meet in New Zealand in June. What should be the selection process? A motion was made and seconded to refer to the Senior Committee and Coaches Reps to recommend a selection process to the board. The motion passed unanimously. Sectionals will be held in Federal Way, Washington, February 27 -March 2. Long course sectionals will be held in Arizona. No meet notice is available yet for either sectionals meet. There are

hard cuts and soft cut times. Swimmers can enter with soft cut times. The Age group zones meet notice is on web.

5. Old Business

a. Budget - The Projected Budget for 2001-2002 was presented. A motion was made and seconded to delay the review of the budget until the treasurer is present because there were questions about the numbers and the format. The motion failed with two in favor and 10 opposed.

It was noted that the board was recommending that we use general funds to provide more incentive to zone swimmers. Currently there is over \$50,000 in general funds. A motion was made and seconded that the membership accept the budget as approved by the board. An amendment was offered to rename the Zones(Uniform) Category to Zone Subsidy Expense. The amendment passed unanimously. The original motion as amended passed with one dissenting vote. A motion was made and seconded to recommend that the Age Group chair purchase a new display board. The motion passed unanimously.

b. A discussion was brought up from a previous meeting concerning a waiver for military swimmers from the travel subsidy policy that requires three years participation in Hawaii Age Group swimming. A motion was made and seconded to amend the travel subsidy policy such that swimmers must have participated in Hawaii Age Group Swimming for at least one year. The motion failed. The matter was referred to the Senior Committee for determination of criteria for travel subsidy.

c. Observed Swims at high school meets. A motion was made that all league swimming championship meets have observed swims. It was determined that no motion was needed, as this is included in the bylaws.

6. The next meeting will be Sunday, February 17, 2002 at 1pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Kathy Fay
Secretary