



## Northwest Aquatic League - Emergency Board Meeting

Date:	April 14,, 2020
Time:	7:00 pm – 8:00 pm
Location:	Virtual Go To Meeting



### I. Meeting called to Order (President)

- a. Establish Quorum.
- b. Meeting called to order. – *Meeting called to order at 7:03 p.m*

### II. President Report of Season Status/COVID-19

- a. We are meeting to vote again on whether to cancel the season or not. Primary responsibility is health and safety of the swimmers and participants of our league.
- b. The situation does not look to be getting better. Finances are an issue for some teams. Some pools are closing and may not reopen in time even if the team is willing to have a season.
- c. Some teams have already decided to go ahead and cancel their season already. Finances and sponsorships are just not going to be available as is previous years. Some pools are not going to be available to use until later in the season or may not open at all.
- d. LO have been working with our insurance and Swimtopia. If we cancel now, 64% of our budget will be spent this year. NWAL will absorb the losses to the league.
- e. See below budget numbers.
- f. Recommendation is to go ahead and cancel this season. Health and safety is a priority, still no solid answer on when the season would be able to start, down on sponsorships and swimmers.
- g. Insurance to cancel: No swim team events, no KIDS involved. The only thing allowed would be board meetings and LO meetings.
- h. Invitationals are probably not going to happen because the ISDs are still closed and we don't know when they would open. Governor is probably going to call for schools to be shut down for the remainder of the school year.
- i. President makes a motion to cancel the 2020 effective immediately.
  - i. Gina Carson Red (2) seconds the motion.

### III. Budget Numbers

Below is a simple breakdown of what our budget expenses are and what we are being refunded. We will still have a cost of 36% that NWAL is going to absorb.

Budget expenses \$111,500  
Insurance refund \$33,363  
Swimtopia refund \$17,000  
No spending on awards \$17,000  
No spending on scholarships \$4,000  
Total \$71363.00

$\$71363/\$111500 = 64\%$



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### IV. Discussion on the Motion

- a. Adam Withers: Is there an option to delay the season to June/July? Can there still be practices or mock meets?
  - i. President: If we have any events, even 1 gathering we will have to pay the full amount of the insurance and lose any refund. A lot of the HOAs will not let teams participate later in June or July. Still would have a lot of teams not participate.
- b. Jason Red 3: Strongly suggest reducing the restrictions from a stay at home to straight huge public meetings. It is going to ease off of restrictions slowly to prevent rebound. Push into mid-summer would not be good. Our team would want to try and get the swimmers together for camaraderie.
  - i. Just make it very clear that any gatherings would be non-NWAL or try and find someone to cover liability.
- c. Karen: Biggest expense at NWAL is insurance. There will be no coverage for kids, coaches, events. Only coverage is for adult board meetings. All or none.
- d. Leah Borello: Clarification for dues. Try to conserve as much of the fixed cost as possible going into next year, there won't be any refunds, money will be applied towards dues for next year?
  - i. President: That has been the LO initial discussions. The idea is that we would hold the money and apply it next year and NWAL would absorb initially all the costs thus far and then figure out how to build our reserves back to what we have today. We have to be in the position that another emergency situation would not wipe our league out. Good thing about us we don't have facilities that we pay mortgages on. Past leagues officers have done a good job of creating a rainy day fund. Will have more details on the finance part of it in the next few weeks if we cancel tonight.
- e. Danielle Red 2: Can swimmers that would have aged out this year swim next year?
  - i. President: I don't see how that could be possible to make that happen. We can discuss it, but more than likely highly doubtful. Would be discussed in the T&C Committee.
- f. Adam Withers: Why are we doing this now instead of waiting till May when we talked about it last?
  - i. President: Finances and more teams that are cancelling and dropping out. Logistics may make it difficult, pools are most likely not going to open until June. Pool operators will be focused on getting pools ready to open for June and not focused on the swim team. If we do this now, we have a firm number on what insurance would refund us, the longer we wait the lower the refund amount is.
  - ii. Karen: We just don't want to flush participants' money.
  - iii. Bridget: We have already been getting emails from teams that have decided to cancel their season already. Gina is going to be having to constantly be reformatting the meet schedule as more teams drop out.
  - iv. President: There is a huge amount of preparation that goes into making the season schedule and if we have to prepare a new



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schedule in a week it would be overwhelming for the LO. Everyone has full time jobs and we can't concentrate on it 100% to make it work.

- g. Jason Smith: Cost per swimmer to keep the insurance? Some people would want to keep the insurance for the full year this year.
    - i. Dana: Cost per swimmer would probably be close to \$8/swimmer when we are currently close to \$5.50/swimmer right now.
    - ii. President: If we had to make it up next year. If we spent the money this year without any revenue coming in we would have to increase dues next year to make that up.
    - iii. Insurance premium starts over February 1.
  - h. Karen: There are year round expenses that we are not able to cut: the servers, computer expenses, etc. We have worked hard to cut what we can, but there are some things we have to keep year round to keep the league functioning. You would not get a money refund, but your dues would be applied for January 2021 and there would only be a slight increase because NWAL is going to have to incur some of the cost for insurance going forward this year. There would be no cash refunds, but credits towards your dues for 2021. Answer for Leah: this would be a vote for cancellation for all and not optional for a few.
- V.** President: Credit would be applied to 2021. We don't have official numbers yet until we make the calls to cancel the insurance, etc. We would have final numbers after the cancellations and refunds have been processed.
- VI.** Vote on the Motion
- a. In Favor: 19
  - Against: 3 (Red 1, White 2, Yellow 3)
  - Abstain: 1 (President)
  - Motion Passes to Cancel 2020 Season.

Adjourn at 7:49pm.



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### Meeting Attendance

#### Division Reps

Red 1	Andrew McWhorter
Red 2	Danielle Woody
Red 3	Jason Maxey
Red 4	Gina Carson
White 1	Jason Green
White 2	Adam Withers
White 3	Steven Reese
White 4	Samantha Chefas
Far North	Donovan Coskey
Yellow 1	Leah Borrello
Yellow 2	Rich Gallegos
Yellow 3	Wendi Perez
Blue 1	Jason Smith
Blue 2	Suzanne Nauert
Blue 3	Robin Funston
Blue 4	Andy Castaneda

#### League Officers

President	Olen
Officials	Matt
Computers	Gina
Compliance	Karen
Eligibility	William
Secretary	Bridget
Treasurer	Dana