

LONG BEACH AQUATIC ASSOCIATION  
GRUNION SWIM TEAM  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING Minutes  
November 17, 2024

Location of Meeting: Zoom

Board Members in Attendance: Ken Brisbin, Bart Parnes, Anita Cole, James Nelson, Liz Carlin, Kim Onisko, and Laura Serna

Board Members Absent: Michael Dirlam

I. Call to meeting order Kenny

A. Kenny called the meeting to order at 11:00 am

II. Review of minutes

A. Approval of October minutes. Jim made a motion approving the October minutes. Liz seconded. Motion passed unanimously

III. Membership report Laura

A. Current Active Members

<b>2024 USMS Grunions</b>	<b>200 (41 people have renewed for 2025 to date)</b>
Attended Workouts September (to date)	63+
<b>Registered on Club Assistant (Including Coaches and Satellite Swimmers)</b>	<b>184</b>
Registered on Club Assistant- Current monthly Dues Paying Members	119
<b>Registered on Club Assistant- On hold</b>	<b>0</b>
Drop in Swimmers (October 26-November 15)	1

IV. Board Reports

A. Treasurer's Report Jim

1. The organization's finances are healthy and in good order.
2. Normal expenses in October (insurance renewal paid)
3. Some December meet registration fees have come in.
4. 2025 budget discussion tabled until December meeting.

B. Captain's Report Kenny

1. See Old Business

C. Co-Captain's Report Michael

1. None

D. Communications Coordinator's Report Sam

1. All communications running smoothly.
2. She will continue sharing the link for volunteer sign-ups in Insta stories.
3. Great content shared from IGLA
4. She will share Toys-for-Tots and Holiday pajamas for December party
5. She will create a post/story reminding folks to renew for 2025

- E. Membership Development Coordinators Report Anita
  - 1. “Splash and dash” lane or “race pace” lane at practices right before meets. KB says this is taken care of at practices where it is possible.
  - 2. Do we want to have a renewal station (someone with their laptop) at the December party or the banquet? Discussion to remind folks to renew their membership
  - 3. Laura sent Anita list of emails for LBUSD aquatics coaches. She sent one email, but it bounced. She will follow up. [outreach to HS coaches for potential members such as seniors or recent grads staying in the area]
- F. Coaches’ Representative Kenny
  - 1. Water temperature in some pools have been warm.
  - 2. Bradley (LBCC) mentioned that the workouts were left on the blocks and the backstroke starts were left out.
- G. Swimming Organization Representative Bart
  - 1. IGLA (Buenos Aires) – Each Grunion who attended received a medal. There was no team points breakdown, so Grunions ended up in 16<sup>th</sup> place.
  - 2. Grunions SC Championship Meet December 6-8, 2024.
  - 3. IGLA May 31-June 6, 2024, in Washington, DC. They will be taking bids for IGLA 2027. Early registration is expected to open in December.
  - 4. Gay Games, Valencia, Spain, June 27-July 4, 2026. Early bird registration discount available until the end of the year.
  - 5. Anita won the Jim Marcus appreciation award for her years of service to SPMS. Steve received a contributor of the year award for his support with the SPMS website.
- H. Facilities Coordinator Kim
  - 1. No report.
- I. Open Water Coordinator Liz
  - 1. 13 folks still on track to receive year-round award.
  - 2. She is evaluating the cost of a tandem relay Catalina Channel relay with tentative plans to plan the event for summer of 2026.
- V. Old Business
  - A. December Meet
    - 1. Registrations are where they usually are at this point in the calendar.
    - 2. Most volunteer slots have been filled (still need timers). Liz working on food. Anita will bring SPMS marketing materials. Heater tents will be ordered.
  - B. Elections
    - 1. Nomination period is closed.
    - 2. Every position is filled.
    - 3. The secretary position has multiple candidates. KB will solicit candidate bios.
  - C. Banquet
    - 1. He is going to submit three options for the board to review.
    - 2. Laura has obtained samples and splash box donations from TRI.
    - 3. Laura made a motion to allocate \$225.00 for the purchase of raffle tickets for the January banquet. Kim seconded. Motion passed unanimously.
- VI. New Business
  - A. Laura will order a quarter size banner to hang at the Poly pool, using the rainbow logo. This will be paid out of the marketing budget.
  - B. We are running low on 8 days a week patches. Bart requests that more be ordered.

- C. Set place, date, and time of next meeting. The next meeting will take place before the holiday party at Sean Vosberg's house, December 14, 2024 at 4:00 pm.
- VII. Close Meeting
  - A. Anita moved to close the meeting at 11:39. Liz seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.