



BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES

Aquarium of the Pacific

100 Aquarium Way, Long Beach, CA 90802

9:00 AM, March 30th and 31st, 2023

Thursday, October 6

- I. Call to Order - Meeting called to order by Mr. Humphreys at 9:21 AM.
 - A. Pledge of Allegiance - Mr. Avila
 - B. Welcome and Introductions - Mr. Humphreys
 - 1) Mr. Prosser welcomed everyone to Long Beach and briefed members on housekeeping, meals, and dinner.
 - 2) Opening Ceremony (Mr. Humphreys and Mr. Beuerlein) – Each chapter was asked to provide sand from their beaches for a mixing of the sands ceremony to represent unity for the organization.
 - C. Roll Call of Delegates - Mr. Hughes & Mr. Beuerlein

Chapter	No. of Members	Possible No. of Delegates	Delegates Present	Proxies	Total Votes
California State	354	8	7	1	8
Capitola	5	2	1		1
Carpinteria	0	0	0		0
Coronado	7	2	2		2
Del Mar	13	2	2		2
Encinitas	11	2	0		0
Huntington Beach	169	6	4	2	6
Imperial Beach	1	0	0		0
Laguna Beach	110	5	0		0
Lake Mission Viejo	5	2	0		0
Los Angeles City	11	2	0		0
Los Angeles County Beaches	184	6	5	1	6
Los Angeles County Lakes	26	3	3		3
Long Beach	55	4	4		4
Newport Beach	40	3	2		2
OC Lifeguards -C.O.L.A.	17	3	0		0
Oceanside	18	3	2	1	3
Pendleton Coast	11	2	1	1	2
Pismo Beach	0	0	0		0
Port Hueneme	14	2	0		0
San Clemente	49	3	2	1	3

San Diego	160	6	0		0
San Luis Obispo County	25	3	0		0
Santa Barbara City	15	2			0
Santa Barbara County (Campus Pt.)	2	2	1		1
Santa Cruz	48	3	0		0
Santa Monica Harbor Patrol	9	2	1		1
Seal Beach	44	3	2	1	3
Solana Beach	3	2	0		0
Tucson, AZ	1	0	0		0
Ventura County	2	2	0		0
Ventura Harbor Patrol	2	0	0		0
Independent/Unaffiliated	10	0	0		0
TOTAL	1421	86	39	8	47

II. Approval of Minutes – E Segundo November 6th – 7th, 2022

Motion: Moved by Mr. Ragsdale to approve the minutes of the Spring 2022 BOD meeting.

Second: Mr. Gray

Action: MPU

III. **Officer's Reports**

- A. [President](#) - Mr. Humphreys
1. Welcome and special thanks to Long Beach for hosting the meeting.
 2. General updates and appreciation for the hard work of the Executive Board members.
 3. Focusing on our mission
- B. [Vice President](#) - Mr. Avila
1. Review of activities as USLA Past President/Advisor
 2. Overview of the Regional, National, and World Lifeguard Competitions
 3. Request for lifeguard training support from Acapulco and Ixtapa, Mexico
- C. [Secretary](#) - Mr. Hughes
1. Prepared meeting agendas and minutes
 2. Appointed to chair the USLA Heritage Committee
 3. Continues to compile the Committee Guidance Document
- D. [Treasurer](#) (Not Present) - Mr. Sholl
1. Report Submitted.
 2. Ways & Means will commence tomorrow morning at 8:30 AM.
- E. [Past President/Advisor](#) - Mr. Beuerlein
1. Spring 2023 USLA Board of Directors Meeting
 2. 2023 California Surf Lifesaving Championships update
 3. USLA Agency Recertifications
 4. Capitola update
 5. California Water Safety Coalition
- F. [1st Executive Delegate](#) (Not Present)- Mr. Butki
1. Report submitted.
- G. [2nd Executive Delegate](#) - Mr. Graham
1. Completed and submitted the Committee Guidance Document information regarding the JG Committee.
 2. Travelled to Orlando for the USLA Fall 2022 Board of Directors meeting but had to return early due to illness.
 3. Attended the Executive Committee meeting, where Mr. Graham reported on the recent Lifesaving World Championships campaign that he helped lead as head coach.

4. Distributed checks for the Junior Lifeguard of the Year and the Bob Burnside Awards.
 5. Will be resigning from the position of USLA Junior Lifeguard Committee chair.
 6. Extended the deadline for grant applications, due to no applications being received.
- H. [3rd Executive Delegate](#) - Mr. Prosser
1. Welcome to Long Beach and special thanks to the City and Long Beach Lifeguard Association
 2. Continues to work on the scoring system for the CSLSA Lifesaving Championships in Newport Beach and USLA Nationals in Virginia Beach and has offered his system to other LS/Sport competitions.
 3. Working with Steve Himes, efforts continue on updating the agency swim test dates and salary information on the website.
- I. [4th Executive Delegate](#) - Mr. Carey
1. Continues to promote and distribute the Rip Current PSA
 2. Worked with Imperial Beach Lifeguard Sergeant Adam Wraight on submitting documents for Heroic Acts.
 3. Continue to email members of Professional Standards Committee
 4. Making progress in taking over certification officer duties for San Diego County by meeting with officials from Carlsbad Beach on their USLA application process and will be meeting with officials from Solana Beach on their application submission.

IV. Committee Reports

- A. [Bylaws/Policies & Procedures](#) - Mr. Moore and Mr. Richardson
1. There were no requests made of the Bylaws/Policies & Procedures Committee since the Fall 2022 CSLSA Board of Directors meeting.
- B. [Certification](#) - Mr. Lombardi
1. Twelve agencies were approved for USLA certification in the Fall of 2022
 2. Four agencies are currently in the application or re-application process.
 3. Sean Carey is assisting with the certification of the Carlsbad City and Solana Beach.
- C. Exchanges (Verbal Report) - Mr. Fiamengo & Ms. Schwene (Absent)
1. Mr. Fiamengo thanked the members for their support of the Exchange Program and its 50-year history.
 2. An itinerary will be created for the arriving delegates from New Zealand. Agencies are encouraged to provide dates of major events on their local beaches that would provide competition and/or training opportunities.
 3. Aidan Goodman from Del Mar gave an audio/video presentation that showcased the experiences he and Dominic Rodarti (San Clemente City) had in New Zealand.
- D. Fundraising (No Report) - Ms. Cummings
- E. Grants (No Report) - Mr. Busatto (Absent) & Mr. Etnyre (Absent)
- F. Junior Lifeguards - Mr. Graham & Mr. Egan
1. (Covered under [2nd Executive Delegate Report](#))
- G. [Legislation](#) (read by Mr. Beuerlein) - Mr. Sandler (Absent)
1. Update on the CSLSA specialized license plate.
 2. In the 2022-23 California Legislative Session there are several bills proposed that may have an impact on Ocean Lifeguards or EMT's that are being monitored.
- H. [Lifesaving Sport & Fitness](#) - Mr. Butki (Absent) & Mr. Prosser
1. Mr. Prosser read the report submitted by Mr. Butki which detailed the proposals & presentations made at the Fall 2022 USLA BoD meeting in Orlando.
 2. San Diego Lifeguard Association is hosting their 2nd annual "Water Women Empowerment Weekend" in San Diego April 22-23, 2023.
 3. John Wayne Cancer Foundation x CSLSA "Block the Blaze" So Cal Paddle Down will travel from agency to agency down the coast from Gaviota to San Diego.
 4. 2023 CSLSA California Surf Lifesaving Championships update
 5. 2023 "Jersey Mikes" USLA National Lifeguard & Junior Lifeguard Championships update

6. Holly Maine and Tim Burdiak are the current West Coast Lifesaving Athlete representatives to the USLA Athletes Committee.
7. 26th Wieland Shield Tour update
- I. Membership - Mrs. Graham and Ms. Schwene (Absent)
 1. Final adult membership for the Southwest Region reached 1,427, well above the normal average of 1,300.
 2. With a late submission of the Santa Cruz JGs, there are 1,282 Junior Guard members.
 3. All members are encouraged to utilize the annual automatic renewal option.
 4. A template for bulk member renewals & additions will be created for chapters who collect membership dues through payroll deductions or chapter enrollment.
 5. Two-Tier Junior Guard Membership was approved by the USLA and goes into effect for this year.
 6. There was a delay with the membership kits, estimated arrival is mid-June.
- J. Newsletter - Mr. Hughes
Mr. Hughes distributed a printed version of the CalSurf Newsletter <https://cslsa.org/Cal-Surf-News.html>
- K. Professional Standards - Mr. Carey
 1. (Covered under [4th Executive Delegate Report](#))
- L. Public Education - Ms. Dieterman
 1. Reactivate the Slack channel to communicate to all CSLSA beaches.
 2. Approve the use of the CSLSA PSA and the purchasing of the PSA flash drives.
 3. Implement the commitment set at the 2022 Fall meeting: PSA at one hotel, table tents at one Restaurant, accountable to each chapter, including photos and social media.
 4. Ms. Swank will handle San Diego County, Mr. Beebe will handle Los Angeles County, and Ms. Dieterman will handle Orange County
 5. This committee plans to utilize input from the other agencies to refine the messaging.
- M. PIO (read by Mr. Beuerlein) - Mr. Sandler (Absent)
 1. Overview of social media activities and press releases regarding CSLSA.
 2. Provided new photographs for the CSLSA website.
 3. Created static cling decals promoting the CSLSA CA license plate.
- N. Public Relations - Ms. Jackson (Absent)
- O. Social Media - Mr. Mullen (Absent)
- P. Special Awards & Presentations - Mr. Richardson
 1. One submission was approved for the CSLSA and USLA Medal of Valor
 2. One submission was approved for the CSLSA and USLA Heroic Act Award
 3. Six submissions for one incident Imperial Beach have been received for review.
 4. One submission from Oceanside has been received for review.
 5. Mr. Rob Williams initiated a discussion regarding awards being submitted up to the Governor's Medal of Valor Committee. But that application to the DOJ must come from the agency.
- Q. Statistics - Mr. Burton
 1. Mr. Burton stated while he usually names off all of the agencies that haven't submitted their stats, we all get a pass because the USLA stats have only been updated through 2021.
 2. Issues are still being worked out with Watchtower and the website, but corrections are expected soon.
 3. San Clemente City will be hosting a special event on April 28 to commemorate Luke Shepardson's winning "The Eddie" Surf Championship.
 4. Mr. Beuerlein reiterated the importance of submitting annual statistics and that it is a requirement for USLA recertification.
- R. Training - Mr. Silvestri
 1. On February 16, Mr. Silvestri participated in an Open Water Safety Webinar hosted by Will Koon of the California Water Safety Coalition
 2. Project Wipeout Advisory Committee (PWAC) update
 3. San Diego Lifeguard Advisory Committee (SLAC) update
 4. On March 23, Mr. Silvestri participated in a zoom presentation regarding the SPC First Responder Suicide Prevention Training

- 5. Mr. Silvestri listed five educational events occurring in April and is continuing to update the training officer's roster.
- S. Ways & Means - Mr. Sholl (Absent)
 - 1. Mr. Beuerlein encouraged members to review the [Treasurer's report](#) and [Ways & Means Agenda](#). Mr. Sholl will chair the Way & Means committee tomorrow at 8:30 AM.
- T. Website (No Report) - Mr. Prosser
- U. [Awards and Presentations](#)
 - 1. Thomas Glessing from Laguna Beach was awarded the CSLSA and USLA Heroic Act Award
- V. Committee Workshops (as directed)

(Meeting recessed at approximately 12:00 PM and reconvened on Friday, March 30, 2023, 9:00AM)

Friday March 31, 2023

Meeting called to order at 9:14 AM

- VI. Committee Reports from Workshops
 - A. Bylaws/Policies & Procedures (No Report) Mr. Moore and Mr. Richardson
 - B. Certification (No Report) - Mr. Beuerlein for Mr. Lombardi (Absent)
 - C. Exchanges (No Report) - Mr. Fiamengo (Absent) & Ms. Schwene (Absent)
 - D. Fundraising (No Report) Ms. Cummings (Absent)
 - E. Grants (No Report) - Mr. Busatto (Absent) & Mr. Etnyre (Absent)
 - F. [Junior Lifeguards](#) - Mr. Graham & Mr. Egan (Absent)
 - 1. Mr. Graham stated that Coral Kemp from LA County Fire will be attending the USLA meeting to advocate for certain rule changes regarding the JG Regionals.
 - G. Legislation (No Report) - Mr. Sandler (Absent)
 - H. [Lifesaving Sport & Fitness](#) Mr. Butki (Absent) & Mr. Prosser
 - 1. Reviewed proposals that will be brought to the table at the USLA Spring meeting.
 - 2. Discussed 2023 CSLSA Surf Lifesaving Championships with Newport Beach officials.
 - 3. The committee is looking for, and needs, interested volunteers to learn how to set up event courses for the CSLSA competition, and discussed additional ways to deal with the persistent set/up, take/down, staff shortages, etc.
 - 4. Reviewed event dates for ocean competition related events for this year.
 - 5. Weiland Shield Information and update
 - 6. It was suggested by the EB for Lifesaving Sport to ask USLA if there is any potential reimbursement for individuals who want to be an official at the USLA Event.
 - I. [Membership](#) - Mrs. Graham and Ms. Schwene (Absent)
 - 1. Ms. Graham thanked all the delegates who attended and participated in the Membership Committee.
 - 2. Discussed membership kit items for 2023 and the need for earlier ordering of the items.
 - 3. Addressed an idea to put favorite items into a regular rotation for ordering, then alternating annually with a mailable item one year, then a larger item that must be shipped to regions another year.
 - 4. Contacted Scott Hubbell regarding "trucker hats" as a possible kit item.
 - 5. The member gift item cost-share is set to continue between USLA and the Regions, but there will now be additional charges to each Region to share the rest of the member kit and shipping costs.
 - 6. Discussed several different options in raising the USLA membership fee to (most likely) \$40.00 and the need for good communication between the chapters during this time.
 - 7. Ms. Graham will be sending out USLA discount codes and QR codes for USLA benefits to all chapters.
 - 8. The Chair looks forward to carrying these fee increase suggestions from CSLSA delegates to the national Membership Committee next month.

- J. Newsletter (No Report) - Mr. Hughes
- K. Professional Standards (No Report) - Mr. Carey
- L. [Public Education](#) - Ms. Dieterman (Absent)
 - 1. Tyler Berry from Oceanside gave a brief overview of what was discussed which included the PSA and "Watchtower Safe Beach Day."
 - 2. Brennan Howard from Capitola stated that they are compiling a library that all Public Education materials and resources that chapters can access and coordinate distribution.
 - 3. All chapters in attendance committed to distribute the PSA flash drive to at least one hotel and place a CSLSA promotional table tent to at least one restaurant or hotel, within the next six months.
- M. Public Relations (No Report) - Ms. Jackson (Absent)
- N. Social Media (No Report) - Mr. Mullen (Absent)
- O. [Special Awards & Presentations](#) - Mr. Richardson
 - 1. Thomas Glessing from Laguna Beach was approved for the CSLSA Heroic Act Award, with recommendation for a USLA Heroic Act Award.
 - 2. Brandon Gherardi from LA County was approved for CSLSA Medal of Valor, with recommendation for a USLA Medal of Valor.
- P. Statistics (No Report) - Mr. Burton
- Q. [Training](#) - Mr. Silvestri (Absent)
 - 1. Mr. Beuerlein was present at the meeting and gave a brief overview.
- R. [Ways & Means](#) - Mr. Sholl
 - 1. Mr. Sholl discussed the 2022 budget as well as the 2023 YTD budget.
 - 2. Funding from the Exchange Committee will be moved from a restricted account into the general fund.
- S. Website (No Report) - Mr. Etnyre (Absent) & Mr. Prosser

VII. **Old Business**

- A. Website Update
 - 1. Mr. Prosser encouraged all attendees to continue to report issues and updates to the website and thanked Steve Himes and others for their support.
- B. Committee Guidance Documents Update
 - 1. Mr. Hughes gave an update on which committees still need to submit their information for the committee guidance document and to please follow the format and submit it to their respective EB member.
- C. California Marine Safety Chiefs Association Update
 - 1. Next meeting is scheduled for April 19th.
- D. 2022 CSLSA Regional Championships (addressed in earlier reports)
- E. 2022 USLA National Championships (addressed in earlier reports)
- F. Junior Lifeguard 50/50 membership dues split.
 - 1. This motion was passed and already is in practice.
- G. Two-Tier JG Membership Proposal
 - 1. Ms. Graham stated that the JG Free and JG Gold membership program begins this summer.
- H. Amazon Smile Account
 - 1. Ms. Graham stated that the Amazon Smile program is being discontinued.
- I. Membership Drive
 - 1. As stated in Ms. Graham's report, numbers have increased for both professional and JG memberships.
- J. Committee Chairs
 - 1. Mr. Richardson stated that he will be stepping down as SAP chair in the future and would like to start mentoring another person as a vice-chair for the position.
- K. USLA-New Jersey
 - 1. Mr. Avila gave a brief history of the USLA-New Jersey issue and stated that a cease-and-desist letter has been sent to USLA-New Jersey to stop using the USLA name, logo, and/or any affiliation with USLA in their own certification program. Unfortunately, the letter ends with an unspecified grace period. However, a time frame will be set hopefully by the next USLA meeting, and then enforced.

2. Mr. Humphreys read a statement from USLA President Peter Davis that a letter was sent to the New Jersey Department of Health notifying them that USLA was not affiliated with USLA-NJ, in addition to the cease-and-desist letter to USLA-NJ. Certification officers of the USLA cannot have a dual role by also being a certification officer for the USLA-NJ.

L. Competition Entry Fees Distribution Policy

1. Already discussed in Ways & Means Committee

VIII. **New Business**

A. 2023 CSLSA Regional Championships

1. Mr. Beuerlein gave an update on negotiations with NBOLA and Scott Hubbell
2. Mr. Butki will be a communication liaison with Mr. Hubbell

Motion: Moved by Mr. Beuerlein to have the CSLSA Board of Directors approve the contract with the Newport Beach Ocean Lifeguard Association for the 2023 CSLSA Lifesaving Championships, and to be signed by our president.

Second: Mr. Ragsdale

Discussion: Mr. Moore wished to confirm that this agreement was agreed upon by all of the Executive Board members. Mr. Beuerlein answered in the affirmative. Mr. Hughes will distribute signed copies to all of the Executive Board members.

Action: MPU

B. Recruitment:

3. Ryan Gates from CA State Parks initiated a discussion regarding the ongoing recruitment challenges and how the CSLSA could assist in salary negotiations.
4. Mr. Sholl stated that the California Marine Safety Chief's Association has a cadre working on the recruitment issue which includes a professional marking company that has made themselves available to all agencies. Contact Mr. Sholl for more information.
5. Mr. Avila stated that CSLSA can support a position taken by a third party but cannot be involved in union or collective bargaining issues.
6. Mr. Beuerlein said historically CSLSA does enter into discussions regarding labor agreements, but has supported legislation or issued position papers on certain issues. He said recruitment issues have been addressed by the Professional Standards Committee in the past.

C. 2023 USLA National Lifeguard Championships - Virginia Beach, Virginia

Mr. Moore brought up the fact that officials such as himself do not receive any stipend or lodging reimbursement for their efforts. While other regions are showing an increase in younger volunteers, the Southwest is not. We need more officials and there needs to be a means of supporting their travel and lodging expenses. Mr. Beuerlein wanted it stated in minutes that the Lifesaving Sport Committee will take this issue to the national meeting in Redondo Beach. Mr. Richardson commented that the USLA should have enough money to assist and that our region needs to have more representation from our officials at the event.

IX. Future Meetings

A. CSLSA Meetings and Dates

1. Fall 2023
 - a. Location: San Clemente City (San Clemente State as a possible backup)
 - b. Dates: October 5-6, 2023
2. Spring 2024
 - a. Location: (TBD)
 - b. Dates: April 11-12, 2024

B. USLA Meetings and Dates

1. Spring 2023
 - a. Location: Redondo Beach, CA
 - b. Dates: April 27-29, 2023
2. Fall 2023
 - a. Location: Asheville, North Carolina (South Atlantic Region)

b. Dates: November 1-4, 2023

X. **Privilege of the Chair** Mr. Humphreys

1. Mr. Humphreys expressed his gratitude for all the many people who contributed to the success of the meeting. In particular, he thanked the Long Beach Lifeguards, especially Skip Prosser, Austin Trinkle, and the others who helped out. The food and venues were quite definitely raised the bar.

XI. **Adjournment:** Meeting adjourned at 11:42AM

Motion: Moved by Mr. Hughes to adjourn the meeting in honor of:

- Jeanne Gray – Wife of Gordon Gray
- Kirby Gordon – Long Beach (By Skip Prosser)
- Tom Viren – LA County (By Robert Moore)

Second: Mr. Ragsdale

Action: MPU



California Surf Lifesaving Association

Southwest Region - United States Lifesaving Association

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TO: CSLSA Board of Directors
FROM: Bill Humphreys
DATE: May 30, 2023
SUBJECT: President's Report

Introduction

Welcome and thank you to all attending our meeting. A special thanks go out to Long Beach for hosting what is sure to be a great meeting and venue.

General Updates

Since our last meeting, I've continued working with our Executive Board as well as the USLA on a variety of projects, as has the rest of the Executive Board. Including:

- Working with the Secretary and Committee Chairs on the Committee Guidance Document, a project which is a few years in the making but nearly complete.
- Corresponding and working on issues related to the USLA BOD meeting being held in our region next month. Mike Beuerlein has been instrumental in representing our region and should be commended. You'll hear more about the USLA meeting during today's meeting.
- Working with Positive Vibe Warriors, as a liaison between them and the USLA for meeting sponsorship or vendor opportunities. Likewise between them and Long Beach but it didn't work out. We are also working on attempting to secure some type of ongoing sponsorship for the CSLSA. There are some outstanding long-term opportunities if we can come up with the right program for them.
- Reviewing information and providing input on the proposed Host Agreement for the regional competition. Gus Avila and Mike Beuerlein have taken the lead on this and deserving of thanks for all of their hard work.
- As you'll see from the reports, the entire Executive Board has been working hard on behalf of the CSLSA. This is all in addition to attending hours and hours of meetings and many more hours between meetings. As such, I'd like to give special thanks to the entire board. You can assume that they are putting in many hours behind the scenes but I think it's worthwhile every now and then to spell out just a bit of the work they do:
 - Mr. Avila for his continued legal advice and expertise, his work as a liaison to the USLA, and his ongoing work on the regional competition and the contracts associated with it.
 - Mr. Hughes for his secretarial work and the CSLSA Newsletter.
 - Mr. Sholl for his work as treasurer, keeping our books balanced and the bills paid.
 - Mr. Beuerlein for his ongoing advice and work on all matters, particularly with the USLA BOD meeting and the regional competition as noted.
 - Mr. Butki for his continued work and efforts to assure that the CSLSA's competition interests are represented at the USLA, and his work to assure that the

members of our organization are well represented at both the CSLSA and the USLA (and world events).

- Mr. Graham for his continued work representing the Junior Lifeguard Committee, but more importantly, the junior lifeguards themselves at the local, regional, and national levels.
- Mr. Prosser for his ongoing work on the registration and scoring systems for our regional competition in addition to his work maintaining our website.
- Mr. Carey for working with the individual chapters and agencies, serving as a liaison between the CSLSA and the agencies, serving as a liaison to the California Marine Safety Chiefs association, and continuing to work to improve professional standards.

Continued Goals for the CSLSA

As mentioned at our fall meeting, some current goals of mine for the organization are to: 1) improve and enhance relationships between the CSLSA, agencies, and Chapters; 2) assist new and existing committee chairpersons and committee members; and 3) look to ways enhance funding opportunities for our organization so we can better serve our members and the public.

To help meet these goals, the following are three specific areas of focus for the CSLSA:

1. Continue to build and refine a liaison program to bridge between chapters, agencies, and the CSLSA. This is a continuation of a project we are working on. Although we are a member/chapter-based organization, it is critical that we stay in close contact with leaders in each agency in order to better serve them.
2. Continue to refine and finalize the Committee Guidance Document. The goal is to systematically document systems that work, modify and improve those that need improvement, and not leave it up to someone to start from scratch to figure it out on their own.
3. Continue to search for fund-raising ideas for our association, via our newly formed fundraising committee. We need some creative people to attend who may be able to help us with this. This is an area where the USLA is doing very well as compared to our region, with multiple income sources ranging from an online store, to a separate non-profit foundation for soliciting donations, and various sponsorships.

Finally, I'd like to reiterate how inspiring it is to see all of you here at this meeting. You all are here because of your dedication to *Promoting Beach Safety awareness and Professional Lifeguard standards* – which is our mission. Please keep this mission in mind over the next few hours to ensure a successful and fruitful meeting. Thank you.

Sincerely,



Bill Humphreys, CSLSA President



California Surf Lifesaving Association

TO: CSLSA Board of Directors
FROM: Gus Avila
DATE: March 30, 2023
SUBJECT: Vice President's Report

Since the last Board of Directors' meeting, I have worked on the following:

I have received and reviewed a number of emails from the USLA. Most have required no action. I have reviewed the monthly reports from the USLA Executive Director, Kay Smiley. I reviewed an email recommending our Secretary as the USLA Heritage Committee Chair. I supported the nomination.

I have participated in discussions regarding a change in the scheduling of the International Rescue Challenge, and a change in location, and the dates of the event. The event has been moved to South Padre Island. The dates are from September 18, 2023 through September 24, 2023.

The Lifeguard Chief in Dayton Beach was no longer interested in hosting or helping to host the event. The dates were changed because Australia, New Zealand and Canada are all participating in the Commonwealth Games, which will take place in Canada the week prior. Currently working with the Custodians of the event, South Padre Island Lifeguard Chief and Alan Holt from the South East Region to try to make the event happen.

I have received two requests from Mexico to assist with lifeguard training in Acapulco and Ixtapa. It appears that these cannot take place until next Fall.

I have been kept up to date by Mike Beuerlein regarding 2023 Regional Championships. I have reviewed a number of emails between all interested parties. I also attended the initial meeting with representatives of City of Newport Beach, more information will be included in Mike's report at this meeting.

As a Board member I have continued to attend monthly Executive Board meetings. We are preparing for the upcoming summer, as well as the continuation of the fundraising efforts.

I have received a recent email from the Sanyo Bussan Cup organizers. It was announced that due to continued issues related to COVID and Japan's travel restrictions, the 2023 Sanyo Cup has been canceled.

As a Board member of the Huntington State Junior Lifeguard association, I have participated in a number of activities involved with a major fundraising exercise, as well as continued day to day activity of the Association. We continue in the day to day support of Chris Egan his staff in preparing for the upcoming 2023 sessions.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read 'Gustavo S. Avila'.

Gustavo S. Avila
CSLSA Vice President



California Surf Lifesaving Association

TO: CSLSA Board of Directors
FROM: Jim Hughes
DATE: March 30, 2023
SUBJECT: Secretary's Report

I continue to prepare minutes and set agendas for the Executive Board and Board of Directors meetings.

I have compiled and updated the Agency Email Contact List, with help from Charlotte Graham. The only chapters we don't have at this time are Ventura County and Carpinteria.

I purchased a wood bowl for the "Mixing of the Sands" ceremony.

I received an email from Peter Davis formally offering me the position of Chairing the Heritage Committee, of which I accepted. He followed up a few days later telling me that as the Chair, I will be leading the "mixing of the sands" ceremony at the National meeting. I have also perused the USLA website for old minutes and agendas of the Heritage Committee as well as reached out to Gerry Gavin and Jerry Falconer for anything they can provide me.

I have had frequent email conversations with Dr. Lee Brown from San Diego. I am adding a story from his book in the magazine. He also wants to introduce a Hawaiian "Waterman's Code" to junior lifeguard curriculums.

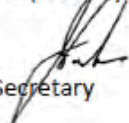
I continue to work on compiling the Committee Guidance Document. Which I will give and update under New Business

CalSurf Newsletter

The upcoming edition will include the following:

- Cover photo: (Ecuador lifeguards pulling a boat)
- Feature Story: "The Mentors" By Dr. Lee Brown
- Story: "Joel Gitelson Returns to Ecuador"
- Story: Kirby Gordon (from Austin Trinkle)
- In Memorium: Tom Viren, Jeannie Gray
- Agency Bio: Long Beach Lifeguards

Respectfully submitted,



Secretary



California Surf Lifesaving Association

TO: CSLSA Board of Directors
FROM: Joseph A. Sholl
DATE: 03/29/2023
SUBJECT: Treasurer's Report

Since the last BOD Meeting, I have completed the following tasks on behalf of the CSLSA:

- Attended the USLA Fall meeting in Orlando
- Participated in the USLA Ways & Means Committee Meeting
- Had multiple meetings with the USLA Treasurer to reconcile the accounts of the SW Region
 - The main focuses were:
 - Payments made from the USLA to the Southwest (CSLSA)
 - It was determined that the USLA owes the CSLSA \$11,895
 - Payments have been sent to the CSLSA PO Box
 - Confirm the number of paid Southwest members.
 - Confirm payments that the Southwest made to the USLA.
- Participated in the CA Water Safety webinar
- Continued to monitor and submit monthly bill payments on behalf of the CSLSA
- Completed the 2022 End of Year report
- Paid insurance for the CSLSA
- Requested that our 2022 taxes be completed

Respectfully

Joseph A. Sholl

CSLSA Treasurer



California Surf Lifesaving Association

Balance Sheet
As of March 29, 2023

	TOTAL
ASSETS	
Current Assets	
Bank Accounts	
Bank of America Business Advantage Select Savings	15,633.44
Bank of America Checking	46,007.19
Smith Barney Money Market	0.00
Total Bank Accounts	\$61,640.63
Accounts Receivable	
Accounts Receivable	0.00
Total Accounts Receivable	\$0.00
Other Current Assets	
Uncategorized Asset	0.01
Total Other Current Assets	\$0.01
Total Current Assets	\$61,640.64
TOTAL ASSETS	\$61,640.64
LIABILITIES AND EQUITY	
Liabilities	
Long-Term Liabilities	
Exchange Fund	-800.00
Junior Lifeguard Restricted	13,806.69
Lifesaving Sport Restricted	4,287.71
Public Education Restricted	5,125.66
Total Long-Term Liabilities	\$22,420.06
Total Liabilities	\$22,420.06
Equity	
Opening Bal Equity	0.00
Unrestricted Net Assets	38,351.83
Net Income	868.75
Total Equity	\$39,220.58
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY	\$61,640.64



California Surf Lifesaving Association

Profit and Loss
January 1 - March 29, 2023

	TOTAL
Income	
Donation Received	0.00
Amazon Smile	24.25
Total Donation Received	24.25
Member Dues	0.00
Junior Members	2,820.00
Professional Members	3,525.00
Total Member Dues	6,345.00
Uncategorized Income	305.90
Total Income	\$6,675.15
GROSS PROFIT	\$6,675.15
Expenses	
Insurance	4,813.00
Membership Committee	127.00
Office Supplies	166.00
Quickbooks	60.00
Total Office Supplies	226.00
Uncategorized Expense	305.90
Website	334.50
Total Expenses	\$5,806.40
NET OPERATING INCOME	\$868.75
NET INCOME	\$868.75

2023 Adopted Budget				
Date		Bank Account	Amount	
3/29/2023		Bank of America - Checking	\$ 43,055.19	
		Bank of America - Savings	\$ 15,637.76	
Income/Revenue	2022 Actuals	2023 Adopted Budget	2023 Actuals	2023 Over/Unders
Events	\$0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ -
Donation Received	\$5,250.59	\$ 0.00	\$ 24.25	\$ 24.25
		John Wayne Foundation		
		Amazon Smile	\$ 24.25	
Interest	\$4.46	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.76	
Lifesaving Sport Registration	\$22,658.85	\$ 23,000.00	\$ 0.00	-\$23,000.00
		Professional		
		Junior		
		Misc.		
Member Dues	\$22,790.00	\$ 27,000.00	\$ 6,345.00	-\$20,655.00
		2022 Membership Payment	\$ 6,345.00	
Officer Travel Inflows	\$0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	
Events Banquet	\$0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	
Sponsorship	\$10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 0.00	
		Beachsport.org		
Total Income		\$ 60,000.00	\$ 6,370.01	

Expenditures/Costs	2022 Actuals	2023 Adopted Budget	2023 Actuals	2023 Over/Unders
Donation Given	\$0.00	\$ 0.00		
Executive Board	\$325.22	\$ 2,900.00		
Insurance	\$4,838.00	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 4,813.00	\$ 187.00
		Philadelphia	\$ 2,645.00	
		Travelers	\$ 2,168.00	
Magazine	\$706.14	\$ 1,000.00		
Membership Committee	\$6,569.21	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 127.00	\$ 5,873.00
		2022 Membership Kits - JG	\$ 127.00	
Office Supplies	\$593.81	\$ 500.00	\$ 256.00	\$ 244.00
		General Office Supplies		
		PO Box Rental	\$ 166.00	
		Quickbooks - 01	\$ 30.00	
		Quickbooks - 02	\$ 30.00	
		Quickbooks - 03	\$ 30.00	
Professional Fees	\$800.00	\$ 900.00		\$ -
		Franchise Tax Board Fee		
		Taxes		
Special Awards & Presentations	\$350.03	\$ 500.00		\$ -
Travel & Meetings	\$15,591.79	\$ 15,000.00		\$ -
		Spring USLA Meeting		
		Fall USLA Meeting		
Website	\$689.50	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 334.50	\$ 665.50
		Gate.com	\$ 199.50	
		Studio 11 Productions	\$ 135.00	
Social Media	\$0.00	\$ 200.00		\$ -
Public Relations	\$0.00	\$ 0.00		\$ -
Reconcile Discrepancies	\$0.00	\$ 0.00		\$ -
Total Expenditure Accounts		\$ 33,000.00	\$ 5,530.50	

Restricted Accounts				
	2022 Actuals	2023 Adopted Budget	2023 Actuals	2023 Over/Unders
		Expenditures		
Exchange Committee	\$1,000.00	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 0.00	
Junior Lifeguards	\$11,687.32	\$ 13,000.00	\$ 1,591.79	
		2022 Regional Competition Supplies	\$ 1,591.79	
Lifesaving Sport	\$4,695.69	\$ 7,500.00	\$ 1,591.79	
		2022 Regional Competition Supplies	\$ 1,591.79	
Public Education	\$0.00	\$ 5,000.00	\$0.00	
Total Restricted Accounts		\$ 27,000.00	\$ 3,183.58	



California Surf Lifesaving Association

Balance Sheet
As of December 31, 2022

	TOTAL
ASSETS	
Current Assets	
Bank Accounts	
Bank of America Business Advantage Select Savings	15,633.44
Bank of America Checking	47,722.02
Smith Barney Money Market	0.00
Total Bank Accounts	\$63,355.46
Accounts Receivable	
Accounts Receivable	0.00
Total Accounts Receivable	\$0.00
Other Current Assets	
Uncategorized Asset	0.01
Total Other Current Assets	\$0.01
Total Current Assets	\$63,355.47
TOTAL ASSETS	\$63,355.47
LIABILITIES AND EQUITY	
Liabilities	
Long-Term Liabilities	
Exchange Fund	-800.00
Junior Lifeguard Restricted	14,798.48
Lifesaving Sport Restricted	5,879.50
Public Education Restricted	5,125.66
Total Long-Term Liabilities	\$25,003.64
Total Liabilities	\$25,003.64
Equity	
Opening Bal Equity	0.00
Unrestricted Net Assets	33,134.04
Net Income	5,217.79
Total Equity	\$38,351.83
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY	\$63,355.47



California Surf Lifesaving Association

Profit and Loss
January - December 2022

	TOTAL
Income	
Donation Received	0.00
Amazon Smile	50.59
Total Donation Received	50.59
Interest	0.90
Lifesaving Sport Registration	2,690.00
Member Dues	22,940.00
Title Sponsorship	10,000.00
Total Income	\$35,681.49
GROSS PROFIT	\$35,681.49
Expenses	
Executive Board	325.22
Insurance	4,838.00
Magazine	706.14
Membership Committee	6,569.21
Office Supplies	263.81
Quickbooks	330.00
Total Office Supplies	593.81
Professional Fees	0.00
Tax Filings	800.00
Total Professional Fees	800.00
Special Awards & Presentations	350.03
Travel & Meetings	15,591.79
Website	689.50
Total Expenses	\$30,463.70
NET OPERATING INCOME	\$5,217.79
NET INCOME	\$5,217.79



California Surf Lifesaving Association

Transaction Report
January - December 2022

DATE	TRANSACTION TYPE	NUM	NAME	MEMO/DESCRIPTION	ACCOUNT	SPLIT	AMOUNT	BALANCE
Exchange Fund								
10/11/2022	Deposit		Adam Sandler	BKOFAMERICA MOBILE 10/10 XXXXX23330 DEPOSIT	*MOBILE CA	Exchange Fund Bank of America Checking	100.00	100.00
10/11/2022	Deposit		Mike Silvestri	BKOFAMERICA MOBILE 10/10 XXXXX24170 DEPOSIT	*MOBILE CA	Exchange Fund Bank of America Checking	100.00	200.00
10/19/2022	Check		Aiden Goodman	CA/NZ Exchange		Exchange Fund Bank of America Checking	-500.00	-300.00
11/14/2022	Check		Dominic Rodarti	CA/NZ Exchange		Exchange Fund Bank of America Checking	-500.00	-800.00
Total for Exchange Fund							\$ -800.00	
TOTAL							\$ -800.00	



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Transaction Report
January - December 2022

DATE	TRANSACTION TYPE	NUM	NAME	MEMO/DESCRIPTION	ACCOUNT	SPLIT	AMOUNT	BALANCE
Junior Lifeguard Restricted								
								13,832.63
Beginning Balance								
01/01/2022	Journal Entry		Correct Balance Sheet	Junior Lifeguard reclassification	Junior Lifeguard Restricted	-Split-	-	0.00
01/02/2022	Journal Entry		to match 2021 TR	Correct previous entry	Junior Lifeguard Restricted	-Split-	13,832.63	13,832.63
06/14/2022	Expense		Skip Prosser	Zelle Transfer Cont# goopl4d02; Prosser, Skip	Junior Lifeguard Restricted	Bank of America Checking	-147.62	13,685.01
06/27/2022	Expense		Nowak Awards and Engraving USLA	Regional Awards - JGs	Junior Lifeguard Restricted	Bank of America Checking	-5,107.35	8,577.66
10/11/2022	Deposit			BKOFAMERICA MOBILE 10/10 XXXXX95115 DEPOSIT 662 JG	*MOBILE CA - 193 Pro /	Junior Lifeguard Restricted	13,094.42	21,672.08
10/26/2022	Check		Rylee Nakayama	JG of the Year Award	Junior Lifeguard Restricted	Bank of America Checking	-200.00	21,472.08
10/26/2022	Check		Elizabeth Felton	JG of the Year Award	Junior Lifeguard Restricted	Bank of America Checking	-300.00	21,172.08
10/26/2022	Check		Bernieare Riley	JG of the Year Award	Junior Lifeguard Restricted	Bank of America Checking	-200.00	20,972.08
10/26/2022	Check		Nolan Mehringer	JG of the Year Award	Junior Lifeguard Restricted	Bank of America Checking	-200.00	20,772.08
10/26/2022	Check		Teagen Pearsal	JG of the Year Award	Junior Lifeguard Restricted	Bank of America Checking	-200.00	20,572.08
10/26/2022	Check		Kai Shelley	JG of the Year Award	Junior Lifeguard Restricted	Bank of America Checking	-200.00	20,372.08
10/26/2022	Check		Mit Muni	JG of the Year Award	Junior Lifeguard Restricted	Bank of America Checking	-200.00	20,172.08
10/26/2022	Check		Liv Hernandez	JG of the Year Award	Junior Lifeguard Restricted	Bank of America Checking	-200.00	19,972.08
10/28/2022	Expense		HSBJLA	2022 Regional Host Payment	Junior Lifeguard Restricted	Bank of America Checking	-3,273.60	16,698.48
11/08/2022	Check	1321	Sae Ackerstein	Check 1321 - JG of the Year Award	Junior Lifeguard Restricted	Bank of America Checking	-200.00	16,498.48
11/21/2022	Expense		HSBJLA	2022 Regional Host Payment - JG Committee Authorized	Junior Lifeguard Restricted	Bank of America Checking	-1,500.00	14,998.48
11/23/2022	Check	1320	Emily Knowles	Check 1320 - JG of the Year Award	Junior Lifeguard Restricted	Bank of America Checking	-200.00	14,798.48
Total for Junior Lifeguard Restricted							\$965.85	
TOTAL							\$965.85	



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Transaction Report
January - December 2022

DATE	TRANSACTION TYPE	NUM	NAME	MEMO/DESCRIPTION	ACCOUNT	SPLIT	AMOUNT	BALANCE
Lifesaving Sport Restricted								
Beginning Balance								
01/01/2022	Journal Entry	Correct Balance Sheet		Lifesaving Sport reclassification	Lifesaving Sport Restricted	-Split-	-3,259.51	0.00
01/02/2022	Journal Entry	to match 2021 TR		Correct previous entry	Lifesaving Sport Restricted	-Split-	3,259.51	3,259.51
02/07/2022	Expense		HSBJLA	HSBJLA Bill Payment	Lifesaving Sport Restricted	Bank of America Checking	-322.50	2,937.01
06/14/2022	Expense		Skip Prosser	Zelle Transfer Conf# goopl4d02; Prosser, Skip	Lifesaving Sport Restricted	Bank of America Checking	-147.62	2,789.39
08/11/2022	Expense		iPromoteU	iPromoteU Bill Payment - Regional Adult Awards	Lifesaving Sport Restricted	Bank of America Checking	-1,393.21	1,396.18
10/11/2022	Deposit		USLA	Lifesaving Sport Restricted & Discretion	Lifesaving Sport Restricted	Bank of America Checking	6,874.43	8,270.61
10/28/2022	Expense		HSBJLA	2022 Regional Host Payment	Lifesaving Sport Restricted	Bank of America Checking	-2,391.11	5,879.50
Total for Lifesaving Sport Restricted							\$2,619.99	
TOTAL							\$2,619.99	



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January - December 2022

DATE	TRANSACTION TYPE	NUM	NAME	MEMO/DESCRIPTION	ACCOUNT	SPLIT	AMOUNT	BALANCE
Public Education Restricted								
Beginning Balance								
01/01/2022	Journal Entry	Correct Balance Sheet		Public Education reclassification	Public Education Restricted	-Split-	-125.66	0.00
01/02/2022	Journal Entry	to match 2021 TR		Correct previous entry	Public Education Restricted	-Split-	125.66	125.66
04/12/2022	Deposit		John Wayne Cancer Foundation	Counter Credit	Public Education Restricted	Bank of America Checking	5,000.00	5,125.66
Total for Public Education Restricted							\$5,000.00	
TOTAL							\$5,000.00	

2022 Budget			
Income	2022 Adopted Budget	2022 Actuals	\$ Over / Under Budget
Events	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Donation Received	\$0.00	\$5,250.59	\$5,250.59
	Unrestricted		
	Royalties (Amazon Smile)	\$50.59	
	Restricted		
	John Wayne Cancer Foundation	\$5,000.00	
	Exchange Committee	\$200.00	
Interest	\$0.00	\$4.46	\$4.46
Lifesaving Sport Registration	\$23,000.00	\$22,658.85	-\$341.15
		Professional \$9,564.43	
		Junior \$13,094.42	
Member Dues	\$27,000.00	\$22,790.00	-\$4,210.00
		2020 Membership Dues \$135.00	
		2021 Membership Dues \$12,855.00	
		2022 Membership Dues \$9,800.00	
Officer Travel Inflows	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Events Banquet	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Sponsorship	\$0.00	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00
		Beachsport.org \$10,000.00	
Total Income	\$50,000.00	\$60,703.90	\$10,703.90

2022 Budget			
Expense	2022 Adopted Budget	2022 Actuals	\$ Over / Under Budget
Donation Given	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Executive Board	\$300.00	\$325.22	-\$25.22
	EB Polos for Fall USLA Meeting	\$325.22	
Insurance	\$5,000.00	\$4,838.00	\$162.00
	Philadelphia	\$2,670.00	
	Travelers	\$2,168.00	
Magazine	\$700.00	\$708.14	-\$6.14
	Magazine supplies	\$708.14	
Membership Committee	\$5,270.00	\$6,569.21	-\$1,299.21
	2021 Membership Kit Costs	\$1,872.58	
	2022 Junior Membership Kit Costs	\$1,602.65	
	2022 Professional Membership Kit Costs	\$3,094.00	
Office Supplies	\$300.00	\$593.81	-\$293.81
	General Office Supplies	\$129.81	
	PO Box Rental	\$134.00	
	Quickbooks	\$330.00	
Professional Fees	\$700.00	\$800.00	-\$100.00
	Franchise Tax Board Fee	\$50.00	
	Taxes	\$750.00	
Special Awards & Presentations	\$300.00	\$350.03	-\$50.03
	Printer ink	\$172.30	
		\$177.73	
Travel & Meetings	\$12,000.00	\$15,591.79	-\$3,591.79
	Spring Meeting	\$7,712.62	
	Fall Meeting	\$7,879.17	
Website	\$630.00	\$689.50	-\$59.50
	Gate.com	\$149.50	
	Studio 11	\$540.00	
Public Relations	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Reconcilile Discrepancies	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Restricted Accounts			
Exchange Committee	\$800.00	\$1,000.00	-\$200.00
	CA/NZ exchange recipients	\$1,000.00	
Junior Lifeguards	\$12,000.00	\$11,687.32	\$312.68
	2022 Regional Printer	\$147.62	
	2022 Regional JG Awards	\$5,107.35	
	2022 Regional Host payout (1)	\$2,832.35	
	Regional Host payout - JG Committee Authorized	\$1,500.00	
	JG of the year awards	\$2,100.00	
Lifesaving Sport	\$7,500.00	\$4,695.69	\$2,804.31
	2021 Regional Host payout	\$322.50	
	2022 Regional Printer	\$147.62	
	2022 Regional Professional Awards	\$1,393.21	
	2022 Regional Host payout	\$2,832.36	
Public Education	\$4,500.00	\$0.00	\$4,500.00
Total Expense	\$50,000.00	\$47,846.71	\$2,153.29

2022 Regionals Distribution of Funds				
Total Registration Received		% Split to Host	Funds to Host	Total to Host
CSLSA	\$22,658.85			
Professional	\$9,564.43	0.25	\$2,391.11	\$5,664.71
Junior Lifeguard	\$13,094.42	0.25	\$3,273.61	
Total Registration Fees after Distribution to Host		Distribution % to...	Distribution of Funds	
Professional	\$7,173.32			
	General Fund	0.375	\$2,690.00	
	Lifesaving Sport	0.375	\$2,690.00	
	Discretion of Lifesaving Sport	0.25	\$1,793.33	
JG	\$9,820.82	1	\$9,820.82	



California Surf Lifesaving Association

TO: CSLSA Board of Directors
FROM: Tony Sholl, Way and Means Committee Chair
DATE: 03/31/2023
SUBJECT: **WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEE MEETING AGENDA**

1. Review 2022 End of Year Report
 - a. Revenue
 - i. Discussion
 - ii. Motions
 - b. Expenditures
 - i. Discussion
 - ii. Motions
 - c. Restricted Accounts
 - i. Discussion
 - ii. Motions
 - d. Miscellaneous
 - i. Discussion
 - ii. Motions

2. Review 2023 Year to Date Budget
 - a. Revenue
 - i. Discussion
 - ii. Motions
 - b. Expenditures
 - i. Discussion
 - ii. Motions
 - c. Restricted Accounts
 - i. Discussion
 - ii. Motions
 - d. Miscellaneous
 - i. Discussion
 - ii. Motions



California Surf Lifesaving Association

TO: CSLSA Board of Directors
FROM: Michael A. Beuerlein
DATE: March 30, 2023
SUBJECT: Past President/Advisor Report

Appreciation

I would like to thank Long Beach Marine Safety Chief Gonzalo Medina for supporting this meeting. I would also like to recognize Skip Prosser and his crew for all their hard work in organizing this meeting. Finally, I would like to thank CSLSA Secretary Jim Hughes for his dedicated work as CSLSA Secretary and *CalSurf* News Editor.

Fall 2022 United States Lifesaving Association Board of Directors Meeting

I represented CSLSA at the Fall 2022 USLA Board of Directors Meeting in Orlando, FL and participated in the Executive, Certification, Bylaw, Fundraising and Meeting/Educational Conference Planning Committee Meetings.

Spring 2023 United States Lifesaving Association Board of Directors Meeting

Since the last USLA Meeting in Orlando, I have represented CSLSA at 4 meetings of the USLA Conference Planning Committee. We have recently made the following selections for the 2023 Spring USLA Meeting at the Sonesta Redondo Beach and Marina on April 27-29: 1) Banquet Site, 2) Educational Conference Speakers and 3) Location for our Post-Educational Conference Activity on Friday, April 28th. Please go to the USLA website for more information and to register for the meeting. If you can only make one day, we recommend the Educational Conference on April 28th. The \$50 registration fee for that one day includes continental breakfast and lunch, and features a great line-up of current Lifeguard-centric speakers and subject matter. All of you are encouraged to go on the USLA website and register for the Whale Watching Picnic/Hike on Friday and the Banquet on Saturday if you are bringing a significant other. If you are planning to attend and would like to volunteer to assist, please let me know. We can use all the help we can get.

2023 California Surf Lifesaving Championships

The Newport Beach Ocean Lifeguard Association (NBOLA) offered to host Regionals for 2023 & 2024. They have a beautiful beach and an outstanding Lifeguard Operation. Newport Beach also has municipal ordinances that prohibit alcohol sponsored events on the beach. This is problematic for CSLSA Marketing Agent Scott Hubbell (beachsport.org), whose largest client is Anheuser-Busch. In addition, NBOLA would like to use Hoag Hospital as a sponsor. This is in conflict with Cedars-Saini Kerlan-Jobe Institute, who are currently a CSLSA sponsor. NBOLA has yet to sign the 2023 Host Agreement. So, we are hopeful that NBOLA will use Hoag Hospital to sponsor events other than the 2023 or 2024 CSLSA Regionals and that NBOLA will sign the 2023 Host Agreement at this meeting. In the event that we do not reach agreement on these critical, time-sensitive elements at this meeting, the CSLSA Executive Board has a contingency plan to recommend to the CSLSA Board of Directors. We are hopeful that these issues can be worked out in the Sport and Junior Lifeguard Committee Meetings today. Those Committees are advised to solicit backup hosts in the event that resolution is not met. After committee reports on Friday, the CSLSA Board

of Directors will have to determine if the 2023 CSLSA Regionals are on track or if adjustments need to be made to get the event back on track.

USLA Agency Recertifications

Since 2019, I have been assisting CSLSA Agencies up for USLA agency recertification by representing them at USLA Meetings and following up with the agencies and USLA Certification Committee in between USLA Meetings. Since the Fall of 2022, this has included Newport Beach, Long Beach, Huntington Beach, Laguna Beach, California State Parks and Los Angeles County. Most recently, Huntington Beach Marine Safety has revised their Policies & Procedures and their recertification application to comply with USLA recertification requirements. This should pave the way for HBMSD to transition from the Extension List back to the Advanced Agency Recertification List.

Capitola

I have been working with CSLSA Certification Officer Rick Gould to assist the City of Capitola with their desire to establish a USLA certified agency. Capitola Recreation Division Manager Nikki Bryant who oversees the Capitola Junior Lifeguard program and administrates their Ocean Lifeguard contracts has informed me that the City of Capitola has entered into contract with City of Santa Cruz for a USLA Lifeguard Training Academy. The City of Capitola has developed a training program for Capitola Beach and USLA policies that will be on an upcoming City Council agenda. Under Santa Cruz's supervision Capitola has begun recurrent training and a new hire academy begins in April. As part of the county-wide regional training, the cadre consists of Capitola Lifeguard Captain Brennan Howard, Capitola leadership, Central Fire and Santa Cruz staff. Capitola will implement a USLA based Lifeguard Operation for summer of 2023 and plans to apply for USLA Lifeguard Agency Certification in September of 2023. The Junior Guard program will operate the same as in the past with the exception that all Capitola Lifeguards will rotate them through Lifeguard Operations and JG Instructor duties to ensure all Lifeguards work at least the minimum required shifts per season. Rick Gould has been in communication with the USLA Certification Chairman on this matter.

California Water Safety Coalition

I continue to represent CSLSA at regular meetings as a member of the California Water Safety Coalition, Lifeguard Supervision Working Group. Unfortunately, I will not be able to attend the California Water Safety Summit in San Diego due to my prior commitment to helping host the USLA Meeting in Redondo Beach that same week.

CSLSA Agendas & Minutes

At the CSLSA President's request, I continue to review CSLSA Agendas & Minutes and submit recommendations to the President & Secretary prior to their distribution to the Executive Board and Board of Directors.

Counsel & Advice

I continue to provide counsel and advise to the CSLSA President as needed.



California Surf Lifesaving Association

Southwest Region - United States Lifesaving Association

PO Box 366 - Huntington Beach, California 92648

TO: CSLSA Board of Directors
FROM: Jay Butki
DATE: March 20, 2023

William J. Humphreys Jr.
President

SUBJECT: 1st Delegate Report

Gustavo S. Avila
Vice President

Since the Fall CSLSA Meeting, among other activities I have:

James A. Hughes
Secretary

*Attended the Fall USLA BoD meeting in Orlando where I made 6 event rules proposals and one USLA Policy change proposal. The National Teams Staff policy change was approved and is now in place, the event rules will be discussed and voted on at the Spring USLA Meeting in Redondo Beach.

Joseph A. Sholl
Treasurer

Michael A. Beuerlein
Past President/Advisor

*Arranged to have newly promoted LACoFD Lifeguard Assistant Chief Adam Uehara make the opening remarks at the 2023 Spring USLA BoD meeting in Redondo Beach.

Jay M. Butki
First Executive Delegate

After multiple conversations with Michael Bradley regarding the Spring USLA BoD Educational Conference the LACoFD Lifeguards have proposed and/or submitted the following lecture topics for the Spring USLA BoD Educational Conference:

Casey T. Graham
Second Executive Delegate

"LUCAS & Continuous CPR" by Dr. Kazan, Dr. Gupta, or one of our Lifeguard Paramedics.
 "Tourniquet use in Lifesaving" presentation by Dr. Gupta or OLS Conrad Bloss (Air Force PJ)
 "Social Media/ PIO for Lifeguard Agencies" by Capt. Pono Barnes
 "RWC use in Lifesaving" by Capt. Zimpleman, Capt. Mike Murphy,
 "Dive Emergencies/ Marine Technical Search Team"- Sect Chief O'Connell/OLS Brian Murphy
 "Coast Guard & LACoFD Lifeguard Interagency Relationship"- Section Chief O'Connell
 "History of the LA County Lifeguards" OL & History Professor Arthur Verge

Skipper J.C. Prosser
Third Executive Delegate

Sean J. Carey
Fourth Executive Delegate

Confirmed attendance of Eddie winner Luke Shepardson and his family via Alaska Airlines to receive recognition by the USLA through multiple calls/correspondences with east coast USLA and Hawaiians.

On March 4th I sent an email to the USLA Lifesaving Sport Chair inquiring on the status on the Fall USLA Lifesaving Sport Committee report, which was 4 months overdue from being published on USLA.org, and a status/progress update on announcements, applications and selections for the 2023-2024 USLA National Team & U19 Youth National Team Coaches & Managers. On March 6th the Fall Committee report was published by secretary Bowie and I was informed that the USLA Nat Team staff selection process would be initiated. The process should have been started in November after the last Lifesaving World Championships had ended so the staff selected for the new 2-year 2023-2024 term could commence team organization as we are hosting the next major International event on our shores in 5 months and the next LWC are less than a year and a half away. Even Canada announced on March 1st their staff for the current term – Australia, New Zealand South Africa, Japan, GB have announced their management-while USLA hasn't yet started by publishing an announcement requesting interest and applications.

*filed my retirement paperwork after 40 California summers and 5 Australian summers as a Lifeguard and the past 32 ½ years with LA County Fire Department, Lifeguard Division

2023 CSLSA x JWCF 250 mile "SoCal PaddleDown for Cancer Relay"

It's a Paddle Up this year- starting in IB up to Cal. St. Santa Barbara.

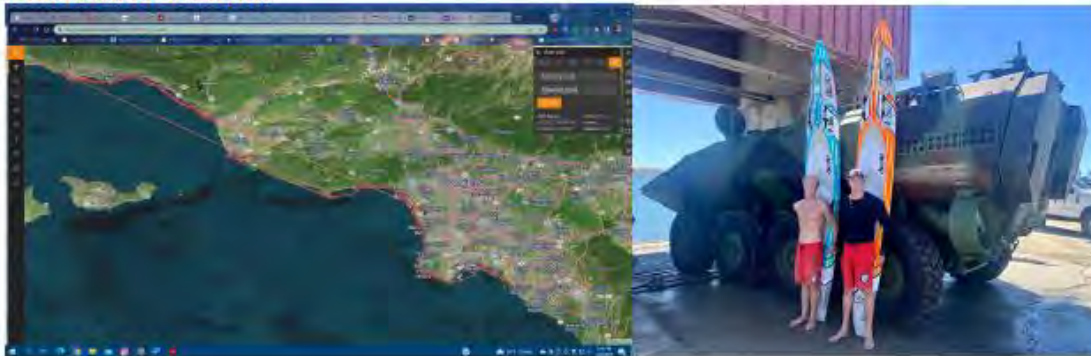
Need to budget, or plan, for 2 new boards.

New Zealand reclaimed the 2x 12' "Horizon" model Deep Ocean Boards borrowed from the Waterman Store that we have used for past couple of years for their NZ team paddlers at the International Surfing Association's Paddleboard Championships in Puerto Rico in early

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November. I wrapped, boxed & packaged and drove the 2 boards to Pacoima to ship to Puerto Rico 2 days after the 2022 PaddleDown finished and Coronado Chief Sean Carey had delivered the boards to me at the Fall CSLSA meeting. The boards arrived in PR just in time for several Kiwi top 5 finishes and after the races the Waterman Store NZ sold the boards in Puerto Rico.

At the Spring BoD meeting we need to discuss a PaddleDown budget for 2 replacement 12' boards which is roughly \$3000 to \$4000.00 depending on brand and model. We also need to discuss and budget for the GPS tracking service. I paid for the GPS tracking provider service for 2022, which worked pretty well until the one unit fell overboard in the surf and was not recovered by whomever took the boards out at Bolsa Chica for workouts.



We started with 2 GPS trackers-1 purchased by CSLSA, 1 purchased by LACoSLSA to replace a unit that went missing while board was stored at Hermosa LG HQ a few years back

We still have the \$150.00 SPOT GEN4™ satellite GPS messenger which lets family, friends, and colleagues know you are OK, or if the unexpected should happen the unit sends out an SOS and alerts local rescue agencies by utilizing the Globalstar satellite network.

We need to purchase a new \$130.00 Spot Trace satellite tracking device which offers advanced tracking for your valued assets. Basically, an aquatic lo-jack. Instantly sends a text, or email, whenever movement is detected and allows one to follow the Trace unit on SPOT Mapping on phone or computer.

The SPOT Trace worked great until 8/24/2022 at 15:48...last signal off Bolsa is shown



Lifeguards for Life



California Surf Lifesaving Association

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TO: CSLSA Executive Board

FROM: Casey Graham

DATE: March 30, 2023

SUBJECT: Second Delegate – Junior Lifeguard Committee report

Since the last meeting of the Board of Directors, I have worked on the following items on behalf of the association in my role as delegate and committee co-chair.

- We completed the Junior Lifeguard Committee Guidance Document for board review
- I travelled to Orlando for the USLA fall 2022 Board of Directors meeting.
- I met with the USLA treasurer, where we talked about the two-tier membership issue and the lack of any budget for the committee.
- I attended the Executive Committee meeting, where I reported on the recent Lifesaving World Championships campaign that I helped lead as head coach.
- At the end of the first night, I fell ill, and was confined to my hotel room for the next 36 hours, at which time I was able to get on a flight home.
- I have worked with the CSLSA Executive Board and co-chair Chris Egan on the topic of the 2023 CSLSA Regionals, especially in recent days and weeks.
- With the help of our able CSLSA treasurer, we were able to distribute the checks for the Junior Lifeguard of the Year and the Bobbie Burnside Award.
- In early December, I spoke to USLA President Peter Davis and informed him that I would be resigning from the position of USLA Junior Lifeguard Committee chair.
- We have extended the deadline for grant applications, as we have received none to date.



California Surf Lifesaving Association

TO: CSLSA Board of Directors
FROM: Skip Prosser
DATE: March 30th, 2023
SUBJECT: Third Delegate Report

Welcome to the City of Long Beach. We hope you enjoy your time at the meeting and at the various locations we have chosen. I would like to thank the City for their support, the Long Beach Fire Department, and the Long Beach Lifeguard Association. Without their support and the hard work of the volunteers, this undertaking is impossible. Thank you everyone for making it come together.

USLA Nationals and CSLSA Surf Lifesaving Championships

I've continued my work on the scoring system for the CSLSA Lifesaving Championships in Newport Beach and USLA Nationals in Virginia Beach. I'm also continuing to support lifesaving sport by offer my services to: South Bay Dozen, Catalina Classic and the International Surf Racing Challenge held here in the United States in September 2023.

CSLSA Website Chair

This is the time of year when agencies are looking to update their agency information with new pay scales and tryout information and both Steve Himes and I have been busy meeting those demands. Thank you, Steve!

Respectfully Submitted,
[Skip Prosser](#)
Skip Prosser



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TO: CSLSA Board of Directors
FROM: Sean Carey
DATE: March 30, 2023
SUBJECT: Fourth Delegate Report Spring 2023 Board of Directors Meeting

Since our last meeting I have done the following:

- Worked with Coronado Tourism Bureau and City to push out Rip Current PSA on social media and Coronado local TV channel.
- Worked with IB Lifeguard Sergeant Adam Wraight on submission documents for heroic acts.
- Sent email to all San Diego County Lifeguard Agencies regarding Spring BOD meeting. Received zero replies. I may need to update the distribution list.
- Emailed members of Professional Standards Committee. I received one reply from Austin Trinkle from Long Beach and he provided me with several policy and procedure documents regarding rescue boat operations. Thank you Austin.
- Met with Chief Vince Lombardi from Camp Pendleton and Lt. Andrew Francis from Carlsbad regarding Carlsbad's USLA Agency Certification application. The purpose was to provide me with some direction regarding the process so I can take over certification officer duties for San Diego County. I will be visiting Solana Beach in mid-April to help them get their application and backup documents completed and submitted to Kay Smiley, hopefully in time for the Spring USLA Meeting in Redondo Beach. Thanks Vince.



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March 30-31, 2023

Bylaws/Policies & Procedures

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Third Executive Delegate

Sean J. Carey
Fourth Executive Delegate

There were no requests made of the Bylaws/Policies & Procedures Committee since the Fall 2022 CSLSA Board of Directors meeting. As a result, there is nothing to report.

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TO: CSLSA Board of Directors
FROM: Vincent Lombardi, Certification Committee Chair
DATE: March 30, 2023
SUBJECT: **CERTIFICATION COMMITTEE ACTIVITY REPORT**

Rick Gould and I continue to serve as CSLSA's Certification Officers reporting our activity to USLA. We are formally requesting the President to assign the 4th Executive Delegate, Sean Carey as a Certification Officer.

Certification Results – Spring 2023

<u>Agency</u>	<u>Category</u>	<u>Cert. Officer</u>	<u>Status</u>
Lake Mission Viejo	Advanced	Lombardi	Approved 10/24/22
Santa Barbara County	Basic	Gould	Approved 10/24/22
Los Angeles County Lakes	Advanced	Lombardi	Approved 10/26/22
Coronado	Advanced	Lombardi	Approved 11/1/22
Newport	Advanced	Lombardi	Approved 11/3/22
Long Beach	Advanced	Lombardi	Approved 11/3/22
San Clemente	Advanced	Lombardi	Approved 3/16/22
Orange County	Advanced	Lombardi	Approved 3/27/23
Laguna Beach	Advanced	Lombardi	Approved 3/28/23
Huntington Beach	Advanced	Lombardi	Approved 3/29/23
Solana Beach	Advanced	Lombardi	Approved 3/29/23
Santa Monica Harbor Patrol	Basic	Gould	Pending Approval

Extensions Requested/Awaiting Application

City of Carlsbad	Advanced	Lombardi/Carey	On Hold
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Oxnard City Fire	ARRT	Gould	Expired Fall 2021
Santa Barbara Co Fire	ARRT	Gould	Awaiting Documents
Ventura Port District	ARRT	Gould	Six Month Extension

Southwest Region Certification Officers Area Assignments

<u>Geographical Area</u>	<u>Certification Officer</u>	<u>E-Mail Address</u>
<u>Area I – San Diego County</u>		
Camp Pendleton	Rick Gould	roughwaterswim@gmail.com
Camp Surf YMCA	Sean Carey	
Coronado	Vince Lombardi	scarey@coronado.ca.us
Del Mar	Sean Carey	
Encinitas	Sean Carey	
Imperial Beach	Sean Carey	
Oceanside	Sean Carey	
San Diego	Sean Carey	
Solana Beach	Sean Carey	
<u>Area II – Orange County – South LA County</u>		
California State Parks	Rick Gould	certification@cslsa.org
Huntington Beach	Vince Lombardi	
Laguna Beach	Vince Lombardi	
Lake Mission Viejo	Vince Lombardi	
Newport Beach	Vince Lombardi	
Monarch Bay	Vince Lombardi	
OC Lifeguards	Vince Lombardi	
San Clemente	Vince Lombardi	
Seal Beach	Vince Lombardi	
<u>Area III – Los Angeles County north through Santa Barbara County</u>		
LA City	Rick Gould	roughwaterswim@gmail.com
LA County	Rick Gould	
LA County Lakes	Rick Gould	
Long Beach	Rick Gould	
Oxnard Fire Dept. (AART)	Rick Gould	
Port Hueneme	Rick Gould	
Santa Barbara (County)	Rick Gould	
Santa Barbara (City)	Rick Gould	
Ventura County Harbor Patrol	Rick Gould	
Ventura County Fire Dept. (AART)	Rick Gould	
Ventura City Fire Dept. (AART)	Rick Gould	

Area IV

Morro Bay

Pismo Beach

Port San Luis Harbor District (Avila Beach)

Santa Cruz

Rick Gould

Rick Gould

Rick Gould

Rick Gould

roughwaterswim@gmail.com



California Surf Lifesaving Association

TO: CSLSA Board of Directors
FROM: Adam Sandler, Legislation Committee Chair
DATE: March 30, 2023
SUBJECT: LEGISLATION COMMITTEE ACTIVITY REPORT

CSLSA Specialized License Plate:

"The California Ocean Lifeguard Beach Safety Specialized License Plate"

I have submitted our Draft Legislation for the "California Ocean Lifeguard Beach Safety Specialized License Plate" and am hopeful the Bill will be introduced in this current session.

Once introduced, I will contact the numerous Agencies and Associations who support our License Plate idea in an effort to obtain letters of endorsement. We will then need to obtain 7,500 "pre-orders" as the Bill moves through its committees and hopefully to a floor vote, and a signature by the Governor. It is still a very long road ahead.

Additionally, a full-size mock-up of the proposed License Plate, along with several smaller static cling decals with the "BE SAFE" public safety message and the tagline of "Always Swim Near A Lifeguard," have been sent to several key CA State Legislators on the various committees whose support we will need moving forward. The reaction to the artwork — and safety message — has been very positive. (Image attached).

Current Legislation

In the 2022-2023 California Legislative Session there are several Bills proposed that may have an impact on Ocean Lifeguards or EMT's that are being monitored.

All remain in their initial committees, and are still subject to changes or even withdrawal. The Legislation Committee will continue to monitor their progress and report as needed.

Submitted,

Adam Sandler
 Legislation Committee Chair

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TO: CSLSA Board of Directors
FROM: Jay Butki
DATE: March 16, 2023
SUBJECT: Lifesaving Sport Report

At the Fall 2022 USLA BoD meeting in Orlando I made the following proposals & presentations:

***1: Proposed boys and girls 3-person Paddleboard Relay in the A B C divisions.**

***2: Event rule proposal changes for Landline Rescue Relay finish to change the finish rules for the Landline Rescue Race so that the finish rules are consistent with, and similar to, the Rescue Race -2 similar rescue relay races that currently have very different finish rules often causing unnecessary DQs. Both are 4 person "rescue" races but USLA Landline historically requires the rescue swimmer to quickly remove their fins and run up and finish in contact with the team and the victim to maintain contact with the rescue device-despite being high and dry and well up the beach from any water. The ILS Rescue Race simply requires the 2 shore side rescuers to carry or drag the victim across the finish line.**

Proposed language change

the two rescuers, at their discretion, may cross the start line to enter the water and assist the rescue tube swimmer to bring the victim to the beach. Victim must be dragged or carried to the finish.

d) The Finish is judged on the chest of the first team member crossing the finish line on their feet in an upright position while still in contact with the victim (the rescue can need not be held or attached).

***Note 3: While it is not necessary to drag the whole of the victim beyond the finish line teams are requested to immediately move to the shoreward side of the finish line to assist with judging of the event and to enable any trailing teams to finish.**

***3: Add ILS 90m Beach Sprint to Lifeguard Competition rules as an Open event only**

At the request of USLA Coaches in order to better assist with National Team selection the CSLSA proposed to add the ILS 90m Beach Sprint to Lifeguard Competition rules as an Open event only.

No event was proposed to be eliminated/cut from the Nationals schedule should the Beach Sprint be added. Pushback from Officials were that even just the Open event heats for Men and Women would take several hours to conduct and that is a lot of heats when the National Team usually only picks 1 Beach Sprinter from each gender for the National Team.

***4: Rule change edit proposals for 4.6. 4.7 and 4.8 in USLA LG Rules**Fall 2022-Southwest Region proposal edits to 4.6 Heat Placement, 4.7 Final Event Qualification, and an addition 4.8 Substitutions--USLA Rules Heat advancement clarification proposed language.

see USLA Rules page 13

Black is current language, ~~strike through~~ = proposed deletions,
 red new proposed language, green discussion points

4.6 HEAT PLACEMENT

Competitors will be placed in heats by a draw or random computer placement. As much as is possible, an effort shall be made to have competitors from the same Chapter in different heats.

4.6.1 Draws

The initial draw for heats and beach positions may be conducted by competition management and supplied to teams. Draws for positions in subsequent rounds (e.g., quarter-finals, semi-finals, and finals) shall be made by competition officials. The method used for the draws, including draws for initial heats and seeding of competitors, shall be approved by the Head Official.

- a) The Head Official will be responsible for all draws for quarters, semis, and finals where heats have taken place.
- b) Vacancies created by the disqualification of a competitor or team shall only be filled by the next place getter participating in the same race. Vacancies created in qualifying to further rounds of an event due to the withdrawal of a competitor or team shall only be filled by the next place getter who participated in the same race.

4.6.2 Competitor Limitations

The Head Official or Course Referee shall decide whether events shall be conducted in heats, rounds, quarterfinals, semi-finals, or straight-out finals. Only the Head Official may authorize changes to these maximum numbers with due consideration for effective judging, environmental conditions, safety considerations and fairness for all competitors.

Note: Technical Officials should be mindful of confirmed entries when determining the number of heats/rounds required to conduct an event through to a final and to, as far as practicable, have an equal number of competitors in each heat/round. The Head Official may change the number of competitors in remaining heats, after one or more have been run, if safety conditions warrant, providing that the number going through to the next round/heat, quarter, semi, or final do not compromise the number of qualifiers from earlier heats.

- a) To assist with the fair conduct of competition if there is an even number of competitors in a heat, wherever practicable, at least half the competitors who correctly complete the course should progress to the next round of the event (e.g., if there are 16 starters in a race at least 8 who correctly complete the course should qualify for the next round of the event).
- b) If there is an uneven number of competitors in a heat, wherever practicable, at least half the competitors less one who correctly complete the course should progress to the next round of the event (e.g. if there are 9 starters in a race at least 4 who correctly complete the course should qualify for the next round of the event) (e.g. if there are 7 starters in a race at least 3 who correctly complete the course should qualify for the next round of the event)

4.7 FINAL EVENT QUALIFICATION

- a) Equal numbers of top finishers from each heat will be placed into the Final.
- b) Where necessary Quarterfinals and Semi-Finals will be run.
- c) The numbers taken to reach a final should not exceed the following, taking safety into account:
Rescue Relay, Board Rescue, Landline, Beach Relay = 10 Teams
Surf Boat Races= 16 Teams
Board Race, Surfski Race, International Iron, American Iron, Taplin Relay, Board Relay= 16 Individuals or 16 Teams
Beach Flags= 16 Individuals
Surf Race, Run-Swim-Run= 32 Individuals
- d) The Quarter and Semi Finals can be less than ten competitors per heat to comply with the mathematical formula necessary to accommodate the ultimate goal of reaching 10, 16, or 32 competitors for the Final.

~~e) A maximum 50%, or roughly half of the field in each heat, should advance to the next round. *(This confusing heat advancement statement that is currently 4.7 e) is deleted from 4.7 and clarified in 4.6.2 a) and b)~~

f) Only competitors who appear and register for the heats of an event shall be eligible to compete in the event's Quarter Finals, Semi Finals or Final.

~~g) Once a Chapter or Team has participated in the first qualifying heat, Quarter, or Semi final of an event, it is not possible to change the composition for the rest of that particular event. No changes to the Team composition can be made after it has competed in the first qualifying round of an event. *(see proposed language in 4.8)~~

h) When one or more competitors or teams withdraw from a final of 16 or more competitor/team, up to a maximum of four competitors or teams shall be called forward from the reserves list. Reserves will come from the same qualifying race as the withdrawn competitor or team. The final shall not be re-seeded.

i) Where one or more competitors or teams withdraw from an A-Final of 10 competitors' alternate competitors up to a maximum of four competitors or teams shall be called forward from the heats. Reserves will come from the same qualifying race as the withdrawn competitor or team.

4.8 SUBSTITUTIONS IN TEAM EVENTS

Substitutions are permitted in any round of team events.

Only the manager or coach may substitute members in a team event with other members of the same club. Managers or coaches must notify the appropriate officials of the substitution(s) no later than 30 minutes prior to the start of the first round of the team event or 30 minutes prior to the commencement of marshalling in subsequent rounds whichever occurs first.

*5: USLA National Team Manager and Coach Appointments

Met several times throughout the 3 days with South Atlantic & Mid Atlantic to get language agreeable to all so that motion would pass in both the committee and on the BoD floor. Motion passed both.

Proposed Policy Language:

Number: VII-K

Adopted: 11/03/07; Language Amended 4/29/17 and 11/3/2022

Authority: BOARD RESOLUTION

SUBJECT: USLA NATIONAL TEAM MANAGER AND COACH APPOINTMENTS

~~The USLA Team Manager and Coach shall be appointed by the USLA President and confirmed by the Board of Directors as necessary. These policy and procedures are intended to define the process for the selection of USLA National Team and USLA Youth National Team Managers and Coaches.~~

A. SELECTION COMMITTEE

1. The USLA President shall appoint a selection committee comprised of at least two USLA Board of Directors, or appropriately qualified subject matter experts, and at least one non-National Team candidate member of the USLA Lifesaving Sport Athlete's Panel (if no currently elected Athlete Panel members qualify then the panel will recommend a nominee to the President), to accept and review USLA National Team and Youth National Team Manager and

Coaches position applications. At least one selection committee member shall be of a different gender.

2. The USLA National Team Manager and Coach Selection Committee shall notify all applicants of scheduled interviews for open positions.

3. No member of the Selection Committee may be an applicant for current selections.

B. APPLICATIONS

1. Individuals who apply for any USLA National Team Manager or Coach positions must be current USLA dues paying members.

2. No application for any USLA National Team Manager or Coach positions will be accepted after the established application deadline.

3. All applications must include a Lifesaving Sport resume.

C. INTERVIEWS

1. The USLA National Team Manager and Coach Selection Committee selection process will be consistent for all applicants, including interviews.

2. No applicant for any position may take part as an interviewer, or selector, during the interview or selection process.

D. RECOMMENDATIONS

1. The USLA National Team Manager and Coach Selection Committee shall recommend individuals to serve as USLA National Team Managers and Coaches to the USLA President based on a review of all applications submitted by the established deadline and all interviews conducted by the selection committee.

E. APPOINTMENT

1. The USLA National and Youth National Team Managers and Coaches shall be appointed by the USLA President and confirmed by the Board of Directors as necessary considering the recommendations of the USLA National Team Manager and Coach Selection Committee following these policies and procedures.

F. BACKGROUND CHECKS

1. All USLA National Team Manager and Coach appointments will be subject to passing a background check as determined by the USLA President.

April 22-23, 2023: Waterwomen Conference in San Diego

<https://waterwomenweekend.com>

San Diego Lifeguard Association is hosting their 2nd annual weekend of spirit lifting, friendly competition, and to inspire water women to empower one another in the lifesaving community. Saturday will consist of lifesaving activities and seminars on wellness, mental health, nutrition and mentorship with a competition in the afternoon. Sunday all young aspiring water women are invited to join on the beach to learn about the lifeguard career and the sport of lifesaving.

John Wayne Cancer Foundation x CSLSA "Block the Blaze" So Cal Paddle Down

It is back to a "paddle up" the coast this year. The relay will travel from agency to agency down the coast from Gaviota to San Diego. We no longer have 2x 12' Deep Ocean Boards by Dolphin Surfcraft to use for this year's paddle. Need to plan & budget for boards. While the SPOT brand GPS trackers really helped monitoring the paddles progress, we still need to improve inter-agency communications and relay board progress.

2023 CSLSA California Surf Lifesaving Championships

- AKA "Southwest Regionals"

July 21 Friday: Junior Guards & Under 19s-9am start

July 22 Saturday: Open Lifeguards and Masters-8 am start

Newport Beach Chief Brian O'Rourke had said he, or NBOLA, would like some time in Spring 2023 at the CSLSA meeting to present something from Newport regarding their hosting of the 2023 CSLSA Champs in conjunction with their 100-year celebration. Newport has also indicated commitment to hosting 2024 CSLSA champs in conjunction with ceremonies commemorating the 10-year anniversary of the Line of Duty loss of Lifeguard Ben Carlson with more discussion on that in Fall 2023.

Competitor Self-Check-in (Adding or Dropping events)

It is important that you pre-register for the 2023 CSLSA Surf Lifesaving Championships. Please do not wait to register until the Saturday of the event as the cost will increase & due to safety protocols, you may not be able to participate if event entry maximums are reached. When a competitor registers for the CSLSA Surf Lifesaving Championships for Saturday, July 22nd, they will receive a follow up email with a password and a link to a website that will allow the competitor to choose their events up to 7:00 AM on Saturday. The competitor will have the option to add or drop only single competitor events: *Surf Swim, Run Swim Run, American Ironwoman/Ironman, Ironwoman/Ironman, Board, Surf Ski, 2k Beach Run, Beach Flags*. All other events with 2 or more competitors will be managed by the team captain. After 7:00 AM on Saturday, events will be 'locked' and you will not be able to add or drop events. If you did not add an event by 7:00 AM and would like to compete, you must show up at the line when the event is being marshalled and ask the course marshal if there are spots open that would allow you to compete. Safety is priority and each event is limited to a maximum number of participants.

Future Regionals: 2024 2025, 2026

Huntington Beach & Long Beach have indicated interest in hosting in the near future.

2023 "Jersey Mikes" USLA National Lifeguard & Junior Lifeguard Championships
- Virginia Beach, VA

Wednesday, August 9th - National Junior Lifeguard & U19 Championships:

Thurs, August 10th - Sat, Aug 12th- National Lifeguard & Masters Age Group Championships

SoCal surf racing equipment truck loading tentatively scheduled for Sat Aug 5 at Dockweiler compound. Nationals details can be found at www.uslanationals.org. Brush up on your competition rules, train hard and check back often on our website for regularly updated information!

Competition is open to current Professional, Alumnus, Life, and Junior Lifeguard USLA Members.

Approved international competitors who are current members of a national lifesaving organization that is a Full Member of the International Life Saving Federation are also eligible to compete, subject to approval. (Send a request for approval to lifesavingsport@usla.org.)

USLA Athlete Committee Updates Spring 2023:

Holly Maine and Tim Burdiak are the current west coast Lifesaving Athlete representatives to the USLA Athletes Committee.

26th Wieland Shield Tour

Wieland Shield exchange concept was created by Bob Burnside and is an exchange between CSLSA & Life Saving Victoria (LSV) in the early 1960s.

I have had multiple communications and virtual meetings with Life Saving Victoria employees and volunteer staff including new General Manager for Sports Participation Ryan O'Connor, new Senior Sport Manager Chris Schleusener, Aquatic Sport Director Aaron Green, new LSV Team Manager Jono Holt, new LSV Coach Jamo Porter, and Catherine Greaves, who has replaced Nigel Taylor as the Chief Executive Officer of Life Saving Victoria. All are relatively fresh appointments and many are unsure and unfamiliar with Wieland Shield tour logistics as the last LSV tour of California was in July/August 2015 and the last Wieland Shield tour Down Under by the California Lifeguard team was in January 2018. The overarching sentiment is that while the want and will to "resuscitate" the trans Pacific lifesaving exchange and competition is the finances and logistics are yet to be determined. Current estimate is 60/40 that they are coming this summer.

Life Saving Victoria has over 500 employees and 37000 volunteer members. LSV works under the umbrella of Emergency Management Victoria (EMV) as part of the State's emergency management services and is recognized by the Victorian Government as a core agency that plays a role in delivering EMV's strategic emergency action plans. Our other key links with government are in the areas of health and sport, and recreation.

If they do come over the LSV Team would probably arrive in LA for a tour of So Cal Lifeguard Agencies approx. July 19 to August 7, 2023 and the actual Wieland Shield Competition will take place August 3-5, 2023, as part of the International Surf Festival.

Need to establish the 2023 LSV WS tour plan logistics, local area hosts, tour events, and team accommodations as they tour So Cal.

The Touring Lifesaving Team is traditionally 7 men, 4- 5 women, plus Coaches, Manager, and Educational Staff so could be 16 persons or so.

From LSV: "...per our conversation, we may have a few Victorian Lifeguards that could be interested in Lifeguard opportunities in California. I have been asked by several guards to investigate what options may be available in California. I understand other Lifeguard groups in Australia may have links with Long Island, New York, and Florida. It would be great if the same opportunity existed in California for Victorians. Could you please identify a few options that may exist and I will present these to LSV for consideration?" LSV has a long history of hiring Californian Lifeguards interested in working as Lifeguards in Victoria.



California Surf Lifesaving Association

TO: CSLSA Board of Directors
FROM: Charlotte Graham & Leslie Schwene, Membership Committee Co-Chairs
DATE: March 30, 2023
SUBJECT: MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE ACTIVITY REPORT

INTRODUCTION:

Final adult membership for the Southwest Region reached 1427, well above our normal average of 1300. With a late submission of the Santa Cruz JGs, we reached 1282 Junior Guard members.

MEMBERSHIP REMINDERS:

- Any chapter that is able to drive individual member registrations or renewals through the USLA website is encouraged to do so. Online membership registrations processed after April 1st of each year are automatically enrolled in the next upcoming membership year so your springtime recruits and requalifying guards can enroll as of this Saturday for the 2023-24 member year at www.usla.org. Please also encourage annual automatic renewal.
- Chapters who collect member dues through payroll deductions or chapter enrollment in order to submit bulk member registration will be provided a template for member renewals and addition of new members to your list. This method will also be used for any Agency wishing to bulk register their Junior Lifeguards. Target due date for receipt of bulk member rosters is July 10th if you have guards who will be competing at Regionals or Nationals, so that individuals can go online to register for the event. Alternatively, the USLA is able to provide codes to Chapter representatives for member dues and/or event dues so that guards or JG parents can register online and the chapter/agency is billed for the total.
- Two-Tier Junior Guard Membership: The dual levels of JG membership was approved by the USLA and goes into effect for this year. All Junior Guards registered with a USLA-affiliated JG program will be eligible for a free introductory membership in the USLA. There are several ways parents and/or program coordinators can register kids for the free membership, which will include an electronic member card and access to online discounts and programs via the USLA website.
The premium JG membership is now called JG GOLD membership, and it costs \$20.00 per year. Gold membership includes a custom printed membership card, embroidered USLA patch, USLA window decal, three issues of *American Lifeguard Magazine* and eligibility to compete at Regional and National Lifesaving competitions, in addition to all the benefits of the free membership.

2023 CSLSA MEMBERSHIP KITS:

- The membership kit item selected by the USLA for 2023 is a soft-sided lunch bag. Unfortunately, the 1st model that USLA selected proved to be cheap and not worthy of the annual kit item. A new bag was selected and they are now in production; estimated arrival is mid-June. The USLA envelopes will contain the usual member card, window decal and an updated 2023 patch.
- Chapter reps are reminded to let your members know about the multiple pro-deal discounts available to current members through the USLA website, including DaFin swim fins and Hobie sunglasses, and the numerous company discounts offered through the BenefitHub portal. The USLA store has also gone live, with new items added all the time. The USLA will also soon add a page to the store for legacy membership kit items like socks, towels, lunch bags, patches and decals. Emails and social media posts will announce when that portion of the site goes live.

NEW CHAPTER:

Need to follow-up to determine if Carlsbad is pursuing chapterhood. Have not heard further about it since last spring.

CONCLUSION:

Thank you to all the delegates here today for your time and dedication to our organization. Please encourage your fellow lifeguards and especially your chapter and agency alumni to support the CSLSA and the USLA by renewing their membership or signing up today.

Respectfully submitted,

Charlotte Graham & Leslie Schwene

CSLSA Membership Co-Chairs

To: CSLSA Board of Directors
From: Devon Beebe, Samantha Dieterman, Public Education Committee
Date: March 30, 2023
Subject: Public Education Committee Activity Report

Lola Swank, Devon Beebe, and I were fully dysfunctional this fall and winter season.

After the 2022 fall meeting, a Slack channel was started. Communication to all the agencies is planned. Below is the current plan for the committee:

- Reactivate the Slack channel
- Communicate to all CSLSA beaches
- Approve the use of the CSLSA PSA
- Approve the purchasing of the PSA flash drives
- Implement the commitment set at the 2022 fall meeting: PSA at one hotel, table tents at one restaurant
- Accountability to each agency, including photos and social media
- Swank will handle San Diego county
- Beebe will handle Los Angeles county
- Dieterman will handle Orange County

This committee plans to utilize input from the other agencies to refine the messaging.



California Surf Lifesaving Association

TO: CSLSA Board of Directors
FROM: Adam Sandler, PIO
DATE: March 30, 2023
SUBJECT: PUBLIC INFORMATION OFFICER ACTIVITY REPORT

In addition to replying to several emails from the media and others, some of which came through the "Contact PIO" on the CSLSA website home page, I also tweeted/re-tweeted numerous public safety messages and highlighted the good works of our lifeguards. I also retweeted National Weather Service advisories, created original content about high surf or hot weather warnings, and rip current awareness, all with emphasis on our "Always Swim Near A Lifeguard," or "Talk To A Lifeguard" branding phrases.

I recently serviced "heads-up" emails about our MOV/Heroic Act/Meritorious Act honorees, Messrs. Gherardi, Glessing, and Sheppardson. I will service after-action photos to social and local media along with images of their Certificates.

I provided several photos for Skip to add to our website home page slide show, updating some of the images that were up for many years. I also forwarded to Skip job openings to post that were sent to me by several agencies, such as CA State Parks, and provided content for the CSLSA Facebook page.

Tweets about CSLSA and LACoSLSA members Brian Murphy and Kelsey Cummings being selected to participate in the very popular and well-known "Summer of Surf World Cup" in Australia were posted and serviced with emails to local and social media.

Additionally, tweets regarding events and awards from the Fall BOD meeting were also serviced. (Some attached).

I also created static cling decals of our "California Ocean Lifeguard Beach Safety Specialized License Plate" as a hand-out to help promote that initiative. (Attached).

Submitted,

Adam Sandler
CSLSA PIO

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Congrats to CA Ocean Lifeguards Erin Kothlow, Megan Brady and Andrew Belden, who were honored today with CSLSA's Medal Of Valor for saving lives during harrowing rescues. vp Gus Avila (L) & prez Bill Humphreys (R) w/Kothlow, Brady and Belden @scsentinel @kcbw



The Board of Directors of the California Surf Lifeguard Association, a national organization of lifeguards dedicated to the honorific award of saving lives in the aquatic environment presents the

MEDAL OF VALOR
for
ANDREW BELDEN

While riding around with friends on a boat on Newport Harbor, approximately 4:30 PM on Wednesday, February 19, 2022, 30-year-old surf lifeguard Andrew Belden observed what was the worst ripcurrent in the creek of Huntington Beach Police Department (HBP) at Newport Pier.

He jumped off his water skis down to his waders, and dove into the 30 degree water to be able to rescue the lifeguard and his dog. Belden was later taken to Huntington Beach Police Department. Belden received the Medal of Valor for his act of heroism.

"Belden is a person with a great heart" and we're proud to be recognizing that.

Andrew was able to come and meet the other two Orange County Sheriff's Office (CSO) lifeguards, Erin Kothlow and Megan Brady, who had just arrived in town. During his time at the CSO, Belden was awarded the Medal of Valor for his act of heroism and also a medal and plaque given to him by the CSO. Belden was the first to be recognized for his act of heroism and was named the "Lifeguard of the Year" by the CSO.

Andrew Avila, who arrived in the creek. The Orange County Sheriff's Office (CSO) was able to rescue 10-year-old boy.

For his selfless rescues of a critical situation, his heroic efforts, and his taking the lead.



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MEDAL OF VALOR
for
MEGAN BRADY

On Wednesday, February 16, 2022, two lifeguards rescued the lifeguard and his dog from Huntington Beach Police Department (HBP) at Newport Pier.

The lifeguard was pulled out of the water by the lifeguard and his dog. The lifeguard was rescued by the lifeguard and his dog. The lifeguard was rescued by the lifeguard and his dog.

Each year, we honor the lifeguard who has saved the most lives during the lifeguard season. The lifeguard who has saved the most lives during the lifeguard season.

After receiving the Medal of Valor, Erin Kothlow and Megan Brady received the Medal of Valor from the CSO. Belden was able to come and meet the other two Orange County Sheriff's Office (CSO) lifeguards, Erin Kothlow and Megan Brady, who had just arrived in town. During his time at the CSO, Belden was awarded the Medal of Valor for his act of heroism and also a medal and plaque given to him by the CSO. Belden was the first to be recognized for his act of heroism and was named the "Lifeguard of the Year" by the CSO.

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MEDAL OF VALOR

ANDREW BELDEN

While using a boat with friends on a lake in Newport Harbor, approximately 4:30 PM on Tuesday, February 15, 2022, lifeguard Andrew Belden observed what was the initial sign of a person in the water. Belden observed a person in the water and immediately called for help. He jumped off his motor (which drove to his side) and then into the water where he was able to rescue the individual and bring them to the shore. Belden was able to assist in the rescue of a person in the water and bring them to the shore. Belden was able to assist in the rescue of a person in the water and bring them to the shore. Belden was able to assist in the rescue of a person in the water and bring them to the shore.

MEDAL OF VALOR

MEGAN BRADY

On Saturday, December 10, 2022, lifeguard Megan Brady observed the danger and was able to rescue a person in the water. Brady was able to observe the danger and was able to rescue a person in the water. Brady was able to observe the danger and was able to rescue a person in the water. Brady was able to observe the danger and was able to rescue a person in the water. Brady was able to observe the danger and was able to rescue a person in the water. Brady was able to observe the danger and was able to rescue a person in the water.

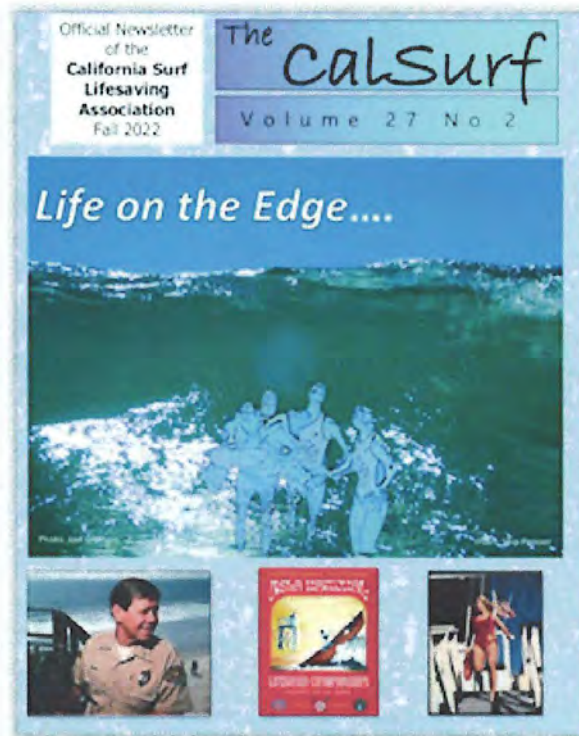




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The CSLSA Cal Surf News is now available. Read about the passing of LA County Chief Lifeguard Howard Lee and how he helped transform the agency. Plus, how LA County won the 2022 USLA National Lifeguard Championships. Link below.

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Congrats & good luck to LACoFD Lifeguard Div. Ocean Lifeguard Kelsey Cummings & OL Specialist Brian Murphy selected to represent the USA!! @Summer_ofSurf World Cup at Woolgoolga NSW Australia.

@sandraendotv @ocbeaches @jo_kwon @EasyReaderNews







California Lifesaving Association

TO: CSLSA Board of Directors
FROM: Bill Richardson, Committee Chair
DATE: March 30, 2023
SUBJECT: **CSLSA Special Awards & Presentations Committee Activity Report**

At the Fall meeting in LA County, the Special Award & Presentations Committee reviewed, approved one Medal of Valor submission, for Brandon Gherardi from LA County and one Heroic Act submission for Thomas Glessing from Laguna to the Board for their approval. Following the CSLSA Board's subsequent approval, the submissions were forwarded to the USLA Committee for review. Both submissions were also approved by USLA in the categories requested.

We will be presenting Thomas Glessing with his Heroic Act Award just before lunch today.

Brandon Gherardi's CSLSA and USLA Medals of Valor will be presented at the USLA Board of Director's meeting in Redondo Beach on April 27, 2023. Brandon sent his apologies for not being able to attend today, as he is out of the town until mid-April.

For today's meeting, we have six submissions from Imperial Beach for an incident that occurred in late November of 2022. Therefore we will need to have a short meeting to review that incident's submissions, and any others which may come in late.



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TO: CSLSA Executive Board
FROM: Ian Burton
DATE: April 9, 2023
SUBJECT: Statistics Report, Spring 2023

The USLA website is still only showing up to year 2021 for annual statistics. Hopefully this will be rectified soon to show 2022 statistics, and I can follow up with those agencies that have not been reported.

Please, in the meantime, reach out to the individual that is responsible for uploading your agencies specific statistics and make sure they have been inputted to the system.

Here is the link for inputting your department statistics.....
<http://arc.usla.org/Statistics/>

Thanks,
Ian Burton



California Surf Lifesaving Association

TO: CSLSA Board of Directors
FROM: Mike Silvestri, Training Committee Chair
DATE: March 30, 2023
SUBJECT: TRAINING COMMITTEE ACTIVITY REPORT – SPRING 2023

Open Water Safety Webinar

On February 16, I participated in an Open Water Safety Webinar hosted by Will Koon of the California Water Safety Coalition. It was a very informational one hour presentation. Will talked about fatal and non-fatal with morbidity drownings from 2005 to 2019. He had a lot of great information. Will was followed by Ryan Aylward, Warning Coordination Meteorologist with the National Weather Service. Ryan discussed open water drownings in Northern California. He was followed by Melissa Miranda and Sara Kennedy from California State Parks Boating and Waterways Education and Outreach Program. They discussed some of their programs, life vest education and messaging especially for rivers this upcoming spring. The final presentation was by Pono Barnes, Los Angeles County Fire. Pono had a great presentation on Technology in the Towers. All were great and you can see the program in its entirety on You Tube (Webinar Open Water Safety).

Project Wipeout Advisory Committee (PWAC)

Samantha Dieterman has been doing a fantastic job working with PWAC. I am sure she will fill you in on this year's Project Wipeout Lifeguard Educational Conference (Live!!). Great job!

San Diego Lifeguard Advisory Committee (SLAC)

We had our spring SLAC meeting remotely on March 15th. All the agencies joined in. We started with agency updates regarding swim tryouts, new lifeguards needed and pay scales. We all agreed to try and have this summers Educational Conference in person again. Paige Colburn-Hargis is looking into the facility at Scripps La Jolla. We would be looking at a July date again. We will have the live feed as well. Paige has created an online Excellence in Lifeguarding Award nomination process. This way nominations can come in as they happen instead of trying to get submissions at the last minute. Topics being investigated for the conference: History of Women in Lifeguarding; After Action Reviews by San Diego City Lifeguards on the multiple fatality boating accidents at Pt. Loma last year and the recent event at Black's Beach; Stingray Study update; Mental Health for Lifeguards; Careers in Lifeguarding; Environmental Health Department on Water Quality testing. We are going to form a workgroup to attack the data collection issue. Paige is going to contact UCSD to see if we can get another lifeguard related field study done next year. Finally, we are going to look into creating a Fill the Fin program as an educational fundraiser.

Health Support Program

I participated in a zoom presentation on March 23, 2023: SPC First Responder Suicide Prevention Training with Fire Captain Ryan J. Mitchell's First Responder Behavioral Health

Support Program. More directed at health professionals assisting First Responders deal with mental health issues.

Events

April 18, 2023 8am – 5 pm: Shark Symposium by Dr. Chris Lowe in San Diego

April 19, 2023 9am – 1 pm: California Marine Chiefs Meeting in San Diego

April 22 – 23, 2023: Waterwomen Conference in San Diego

April 25 – 26, 2023 8am – 3pm: California Water Safety Summit in San Diego (registration fee increases from \$150 to \$200 on April 1).

April 27 – 29, 2023: United States Lifesaving Association Spring Board of Directors Meeting in Redondo Beach.

Training Officers:

I have continued to develop the Lifeguard Training Officers roster

Respectfully Submitted,

Mike Silvestri, Training Chair
California Surf Lifesaving Association

Date: April 1, 2023

To: CSLSA Board of Directors

From: Casey Graham and Chris Egan

Subject: Junior lifeguard Committee Report

During the meeting of the Junior Lifeguard Committee at the Spring 2023 CSLSA Board of Directors, the following was discussed

- It was discussed that the grant application period has been extended. At the time of the meeting no grant applications had been submitted. The deadline was extended to April 15th and hard copies of the grant application were provided to those in attendance.
- Members of the Newport Beach Ocean Lifeguard Association spoke about logistical plans for the 2023 CSLSA Regional Championships. A small information packet, including a site map, was provided.
- Coral Kemp started a discussion about junior regional rules and guidelines. No recommendations were made.
- The chairs were asked to upload the currently adopted competition rules that include the new equity guidelines.



California Surf Lifesaving Association

TO: CSLSA Board of Directors
FROM: Skip Prosser, Lifesaving Sport Committee Vice-Chair
DATE: **March 30th, 2023**
SUBJECT: **Lifesaving Sport COMMITTEE ACTION REPORT**

- Reviewed our proposals that will be brought to the table at the USLA Spring meeting.
- Discussed 2023 CSLSA Surf Lifesaving Champs with Newport Beach officials. We were provided a course map and a visual of the the courses for Friday. The informational handout provided by Newport is a work in progress and they are open to suggestions leading up to the event.
- It was noted by the lifesaving sport committee that we are looking for, and need, interested volunteers to learn how to setup event courses for our CSLSA competition. In short, the current way courses are setup is essentially falling entirely on one person. The physical amount of work falling on one person has never been feasible and finding a way to distribute this task is becoming a priority. There were 2 ideas for thought.
 1. Request assistance from a JG committee team for a 50/50 split on setup, for example, JG's setup for the Friday event and Lifesaving Sport committee team breaks down on Saturday.
 2. Possibly rewriting the host agreement so that the host can have a fully accessible team dedicated to assist a team lead who has experience setting up a course. Please note, this is only discussion, and the idea is to plant the seed as the current way the course is being setup is not sustainable. It was requested that any individual interested, please contact the lifesaving sport committee chair.
- Reviewed event dates for ocean competition related events for this year.

Weiland Shield Information:

- It was noted by Coral Kemp that in the event that Life Saving Victoria does make it to California this year, it would be much appreciated that some of our CSLSA lifeguard family can open their doors, if possible, to our Australian friends so that they can have a place to stay. It was also requested that agencies think about offering some sort of "training" days on their own beaches to educate the members of LSV.
- Bob Moore brought up the suggestion that if LSV can't make it to California, that maybe, LSV VS. California needs some sort of a "reset" This reset could come in the way of California sending a team over to Australia which would break the alternating visit cycle,

but it could be what is needed for this event to continue to be the priority its always been.

- We will wait to see what happens this summer with the exchange and reassess at our Fall BOD meeting.

ACTION RECOMMENDED BY EXECUTIVE BOARD AT USLA BOD MEETING:

- It has been suggested by the EB for Lifesaving Sport to ask USLA if there is any potential income for individuals who want to be an official at the USLA Event.



California Surf Lifesaving Association

TO: CSLSA BOARD OF DIRECTORS
FROM: CHARLOTTE GRAHAM, MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE CO-CHAIR
DATE: MARCH 31, 2023
SUBJECT: **MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE ACTION REPORT**

Thank you to all the delegates who attended and participated in the Membership Committee. Here is a summary of the topics discussed.

- * Reviewed the kit item coming for this summer - the insulated lunch bag - and discussed the delay once again of its arrival. Committee members strongly suggest an earlier selection and ordering of the annual gift item, so the Chair will advocate for 2024 kit item discussion at the upcoming Spring USLA meeting, with final decision at the Fall USLA meeting and ordering no later than December 1st each year. We have to get the process moved back to a timeline that allows the gift items to arrive regionally by early Spring, ideally for distribution to Chapter representatives at the CSLSA Spring Board meeting.
- * The suggestion was made that perhaps it would help the USLA to put favorite items into a regular rotation for ordering, and also to alternate annually with a mail-able item and then a larger item that must be shipped to Regional reps. It was noted that the recent Challenge Coins which were mailed out to each member ensured that everyone received their gift item, and took some of the burden off the Regional reps to get kit items out to Chapters. As an example, the kit rotation might be: Towel, Challenge Coin, Bag, Key Chain, Custom Socks, Luggage Tag, and then back to Towel, with the variable being what type of towel or bag is selected in alternating years. CSLSA members would like to see a golf towel/shammy in an upcoming kit, and we liked the idea of a keychain Challenge coin. Socks, hats and bags continue to be popular.
- * The member gift item cost-share is set to continue between USLA and the Regions, but there will now be additional charges to each Region to share the rest of the member kit and shipping costs. Since it is still unknown how much these additional costs will reduce our Membership Committee budget, the Chair will reach out to SHP to see if he might be able to provide an item for CSLSA members this summer, such as a trucker hat, through his various sponsors.
- * Due to the ever increasing costs of doing business, the USLA is considering raising the cost of Professional member dues. They asked the Regions to discuss the idea and bring back proposals to the Spring Board meeting. We had a robust discussion regarding the topic. It was noted that it has been approximately 30 years since the Professional dues were raised to

the current \$30.00 - so it's quite clear that a fee increase is needed. Delegates noted that whatever decision is made, it will be very important to provide good communication to USLA members about the need for a higher fee, the many areas supported by member dues and an emphasis on how long it has been since the last increase. Committee members indicated that the CSLSA may see a slight decline in total members in the first year of a fee increase, but it was unlikely to cause much of an issue.

- * Committee members made several valid suggestions for the increase to Professional dues: many believed that raising it to \$40.00 was the most logical idea. A few members suggested setting it at \$50.00 so we do not need to seek another fee increase for many years, like before. However \$50 is a 67% increase, which seems excessive. The last suggestion was to announce an incremental increase in member dues, \$2.00 per year for 5 years, until it is \$40.00. This might be most beneficial to the many Chapters who also charge members a local chapter fee, and who might be faced with reducing fees or absorbing the increase in USLA dues if it goes up \$10 in one year.
- * The Chair looks forward to carrying these fee increase suggestions from CSLSA delegates to the national Membership Committee next month.

COMMITTEE TASKS & GOALS:

1. Email LG/JG Member Benefits flier, CSLSA discount codes, and the JG membership QR codes to all chapter representatives in advance of spring registration and renewals.
2. Email out Member renewal templates as soon as available.

ACTION REQUIRED: None at this time. Board approval of the Membership Committee report will validate any recommendations made.



California Surf Lifesaving Association

TO: CSLSA Board of Directors
FROM: Samantha Dieterman, Devon Beebe, Lola Swank
DATE: April 9, 2023
SUBJECT: Public Education's Report

In Attendance:

T. Barry
B. Faummena
Blake Fannina
Damon Bassett
S. Taudensaus
T. Spence
A. Wraght
H. Bolin
H. Tobias
M. Herman
M. Morrison
M. Beuerlein
D. Francis
W. Alfaro
B. Howard

Discussion:

Reviewed goals with group.
Opened for additional suggestions.
PSA does not address all beaches. Discussion of producing a new PSA.
For cost savings and working on each beach's goals, suggested that each chapter create their own videos.
Proposed to create a social media schedule for chapters, non-vote.



California Lifesaving Association

TO: CSLSA Board of Directors
 FROM: Bill Richardson, Committee Chair
 DATE: 03/31/2023
 SUBJECT: CSLSA Special Awards & Presentations Committee Action Report

The committee met briefly to review the following submissions. Each was reviewed separately. The Committee voted to approve both submissions in the categories recommended. Follow a vote of the committee, each submission was approved for Heroic Act Awards. Each of the submissions will be forwarded to the USLA Committee for their action, based on CSLSA's recommendation.

A. Panga Rescue – Imperial Beach Lifeguards

Submission: CSLSA/USLA Heroic Act Awards
 6 individuals – three Lifeguards & three citizens

Incident Description:

The incident occurred of Cortez Avenue in the City of Encinitas. The water temperature was 54-56 degrees with 4-6 foot surf. Lifeguard Adam Wraight was off-duty and intending to go surfing. He entered the beach at 1690 Seacoast Drive and observed a boat about 50 yards outside the surfline traveling northeast at a slow rate of speed, about a quarter mile north of his location. The vessel appeared to be Panga with approximately 8-10 individuals on board. As the vessel continued moving northerly it was also moving closer to shore. A large set of waves obscured his view of the vessel, however an unnamed citizen above Wraight said that the vessel had flipped over in the surf.

54-56 degree contaminated water in 4-6 foot surf; 10 persons on board an overturned Panga vessel transporting illegal aliens attempting to enter the USA. Four of the victims self-rescued, three were rescued by surfers and lifeguard personnel; there were three fatalities (two recovered at the time of the incident, one was recovered a week later.

Upon recognizing that the vessel was upside down in the surf, Wraight ran north to the scene, just south of Cortez Avenue, and entered the water on his surfboard. Wraight also observed two surfers and several victims being carried off-shore in a large rip current. As Wraight entered the water he observed two other surfers assisting unconscious victims.

For additional information to narrative A attached.

B. Suicide Rescue – Oceanside Lifeguards

Submission: CSLSA/USLA Heroic Act Award

Incident Description:

At approximately 10:54 A.M., on the morning of Tuesday, November 22, 2022, Oceanside Lifeguards, Police, and Fire units responded to a reported drowning under the pier. Multiple reports were given that a woman jumped from the pier and went straight down to the ocean floor without a struggle on the surface. Lifeguard Lieutenant Tyler Berry responded from Lifeguard Dispatch tower on the pier. On arrival Lt. Berry confirmed that there was a "CODE X", jumped off the pier and started to perform a hasty search.

When other units arrived Lt. Berry requested a bailout bottle, dove to the bottom approximately 30 feet down, and located the victim. The victim was wearing a weighted vest, ankle weights, and a backpack full of rocks, creating suspicion of a suicide attempt. Lt. Berry surfaced with the victim where a team of lifeguards, Sgt. Swank, Sgt. Bucalo, and lifeguard Mackenzie Fast, where making in surface dives. The team of guards helped Lt. Berry keep the victim afloat until the boat arrived.

The lifeguard team, with assistance from the OPD officer, transferred the patient to the boat. The patient was pulseless and apneic, and CPR was initiated. En route to the dock, an AED was applied, the AED analyzed three times, and one shock was delivered. The Patient was transferred to an awaiting ambulance and transported to the hospital.

While the outcome of the patient was not ideal, Lt Berry's actions in getting the patient to the surface within 10 minutes, while suffering a perforated ear drum from the rapid a descent and ascent, gave the best possible chance for the victim to survive.

For the submission narrative & photos, refer to attachment B.

Narrative A – Panga Rescue

Reporting Lifeguard: Sgt. Adam Wraight

Location of Incident: Cortez Ave

Date of Incident: November 26, 2022

On Saturday, 11/26/2022 at approximately 0600, I entered the beach at 1690 Seacoast Drive to surf. I noticed a boat about 50 yards outside the surf line travelling northeast at a slow rate of speed. The vessel was about a quarter mile north of my location off of Cortez Ave. The vessel looked to be a panga with a large group of 8-10 people on board. As the vessel continued moving closer to shore, a large set of waves followed behind it. Due to the large surf, I lost visual of the vessel and people on board. A citizen on the rocks above me said that the vessel had flipped in the surf.

I started running north toward the scene with my surfboard. I entered the water just south of Cortez Ave. The overturned vessel, several victims and two surfers were sucked out in a large rip current near Cortez Ave. As I entered the water, I noticed another surfer (Nick Kubarych) paddling out to assist.

Once past the surf, I saw debris, fuel cans, a surfer (Kevin Defoney in his boxers) with an unconscious victim, two unconscious victims face down in the rip current and a second surfer (Andrew Carter) with three conscious victims on his surfboard. Two of the victims with Andrew were fully clothed females without PFDs on top of his surfboard and a male victim in a PFD hanging onto the rear of his surfboard. I paddled over to assist Andrew. One of the victims he had pulled up from 2-3 feet below the surface. We transferred one of the female victims to my surfboard and Kevin tended to the male in the PFD. Andrew paddled one female victim into shore. Kevin and Nick pulled in the male with a PFD, while I paddled in the other female victim on my board.

Once on shore there were several Border Patrol agents (CBP) and San Diego Sheriff's Deputies (SDSO). I requested a ride to HQ from Community Service Officer (CSO) Abasso. On Seacoast Drive I saw LG I Harrison Cannon and LG I Samantha McNall, I requested them to meet me at HQ. At HQ we launched our Rescue Watercraft (RWC) R-1. LG I Cannon and LG I McNall respond to the scene in Unit 603. LG I Cannon ran out of the unit to crew the RWC.

Within minutes we found our first victim floating approximately 50 yards outside the surf. We got her on the rescue sled and transported her to the beach. LG I McNall helped extricate the victim from the water and up the beach for Fire and Medics with the help of Border Patrol Agents. The second victim was near the vessel approximately 100 yards outside the surf. We transported the second victim and handed her over to LG I McNall, Border Patrol and EMS on the beach.

LG I Cannon and I went back out to search for the last missing victim. LG I Cannon free dove the overturned panga checking for any entrapped victims. The search was difficult due to low visibility, ropes, gas, and debris in the water. Later we spoke with San Diego Harbor Police (SDHPD) divers and received confirmation from their dive team that the vessel was clear.

Lifeguards continued to search for the missing victim from the RWC and the shoreline for hours. Due to hazardous conditions; large surf, long shore current and contaminated water, Lifeguards switched to a land-based search.

Narrative B – Suicide Rescue

Reporting Lifeguard: Lieutenant Emile Lagendijk

Location of Incident: Adjacent the Oceanside Pier

Date of Incident: November 22, 2023

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When other units arrived Lt. Berry requested a bailout bottle, dove to the bottom approximately 30 feet down, and located the victim. The victim was wearing a weighted vest, ankle weights, and a backpack full of rocks, creating suspicion of a suicide attempt. Lt. Berry surfaced with the victim where a team of lifeguards, Sgt. Swank, Sgt. Bucalo, and lifeguard Mackenzie Fast, were assisting in surface dives. The team of guards helped Lt. Berry keep the victim afloat until the boat arrived.

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California Lifesaving Association

TO: CSLSA Board of Directors
 FROM: Bill Richardson, Committee Chair
 DATE: 03/31/2023
 SUBJECT: CSLSA Special Awards & Presentations Committee Action Report

The committee met briefly to review the following submissions. Each was reviewed separately. The Committee voted to approve both submissions in the categories recommended. Follow a vote of the committee, each submission was approved for Heroic Act Awards. Each of the submissions will be forwarded to the USLA Committee for their action, based on CSLSA's recommendation.

A. Panga Rescue – Imperial Beach Lifeguards

Submission: CSLSA/USLA Heroic Act Awards
 6 individuals – three Lifeguards & three citizens

Incident Description:

The incident occurred of Cortez Avenue in the City of Encinitas. The water temperature was 54-56 degrees with 4-6 foot surf. Lifeguard Adam Wraight was off-duty and intending to go surfing. He entered the beach at 1690 Seacoast Drive and observed a boat about 50 yards outside the surfline traveling northeast at a slow rate of speed, about a quarter mile north of his location. The vessel appeared to be Panga with approximately 8-10 individuals on board. As the vessel continued moving northerly it was also moving closer to shore. A large set of waves obscured his view of the vessel, however an unnamed citizen above Wraight said that the vessel had flipped over in the surf.

54-56 degree contaminated water in 4-6 foot surf; 10 persons on board an overturned Panga vessel transporting illegal aliens attempting to enter the USA. Four of the victims self-rescued, three were rescued by surfers and lifeguard personnel; there were three fatalities (two recovered at the time of the incident, one was recovered a week later.

Upon recognizing that the vessel was upside down in the surf, Wraight ran north to the scene, just south of Cortez Avenue, and entered the water on his surfboard. Wraight also observed two surfers and several victims being carried off-shore in a large rip current. As Wraight entered the water he observed two other surfers assisting unconscious victims.

For additional information to narrative A attached.

B. Suicide Rescue – Oceanside Lifeguards

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For the submission narrative & photos, refer to attachment B.



California Surf Lifesaving Association

TO: CSLSA Board of Directors
FROM: Mike Silvestri, Training Committee Chair
DATE: March 31, 2023
SUBJECT: TRAINING COMMITTEE ACTION REPORT – SPRING 2023

Updated the Training Officers contact list.

Requested a Lifeguard Historian contact from each agency to assist with the History of Women in Lifeguarding project.

Requested an agency contact to collect electronic copies of agency training manuals, handbooks, and training day outlines.

Open Discussion: We had an awesome and incredibly informative round robin update from each agency on recruiting, retention, testing, training, and the overall health of the lifeguard operations. Here is a summary:

Long Beach – Successful recruiting year by using current seasonal guards (heavily into East Los Angeles, JG's and High Schools); 70 at swim test; 40 into backgrounds; 30 for academy; Starting pay \$25; ESPN filmed tryouts and followed applicants through the process (airing in 2024).

Seal Beach – 2022 only had 8 applicants at swim test; Had two test this year; Tasked current guards to bring in at least one candidate; Beefed up their social media footprint; Tagged surf teams; Big event was hosing an open house for all their recruits and their families; Hosted two ocean orientation days (pre-swim); For those that attended they got free swim passes and freed training programs (29 candidates participated); Starting pay \$19.08.

Newport Beach – Used social media for years; started an August outreach program for the High Schools; HR posted job info early; QR codes in the field crated an automated mail list; Hosted an informational night which had standing room only; Hosted workouts; They had a bigger variety of candidates; 84 applicants with 50 to tryouts and 43 in training; Hiring 35 with 14 women; 8 wage increase steps.

Carlsbad City – New in 2017 for ¼ mile stretch of beach in north Carlsbad; 2 new perms that are firefighter/medics; 4 towers; 8 people a day; Pools guards pay help justify a raise for the ocean guards who could do both; Pay \$20-\$28 with cola's every year; Working on getting USLA accredited once they establish a training program; Recruit 5-10 lifeguards a year with almost all very experienced guards and EMT's; Battling a 5 year old budget model.

Capitola – They now have their own budget; They started their program with JG's first and then have followed it up by creating a lifeguard service so they can be USLA accredited; Contracting with Santa Cruz/Central Fire to certify their lifeguards (young 17-22 years old); Created an equity swim program to candidates on board; Provide training and development on lifeguards

skills; Brutal recovery from storms; 2 towers over ½ mile of beach but they also have 3 miles of cliffs.

Oceanside – Big change this year in that they took over operating the Harbor Marine Safety Unit (Fire); They went live on February 3, 2023; Operate 3 rescue boats; They have their own academy (2); 3 personnel on 24 hour shifts with 3 shifts; Lifeguards, Fire and Medics; Going from 11 to 18 permanent; hiring 13 new seasonals; 80 hours academy with 40 hour EMR; They provide the group with a National, State and Regional Standards paper they prepared regarding training guidelines.

Coronado – 2 new permanent lifeguards; trying signing bonuses to recruit lifeguard; major water quality issues this year; their guards attend the Regional Lifeguard Academy.

Huntington Beach City – They picked up Sunset Beach and Huntington Harbor (4 towers); 4 new positions at ¾ time; Having recruiting problems like everyone; Have 5 test starting in October; 31 recruits this year (usually 400-50); Hire at 16 if they come from the JG's as an A Captain; Big attrition from current guards (losing ab out 20-30 a year); New contract is helping; They do a task book model for training (RWC, Quad, Dispatch, etc.); Working more and better with Fire since 2019; They need 36 JG Instructor for the season; There is 120 hours which includes an EMR course.

Laguna Beach – Not present but reported that they have a knock-on door policy for recruiting; knock and test; provide a winter and a spring training session.

Los Angeles County – They now have at 16 years old; Working on how to navigate age differences in the field and some of the problems it creates; Host a parent day for young recruits and guards.

San Clemente City – Losing people to other job offers; Working on change in pay scale and pay; Losing 14-15 year old JG's as recruits.

Imperial Beach – Horrendous water quality issues; Trying to raise the pay from \$18.05 an hour; IB Pool guards start at \$22 an hour; Candidates attend the Regional Training Academy (80 hours lifeguard and 57 hours EMR on their own); Only had 2 people tryout and they dog paddled; Before they got a lot of locals who were very loyal to the program; Trying to get a rescue boat and 24 hour shift; Right now 2 towers and 2 trucks.

State Lifeguards – Having trouble recruiting and retaining enough guards for the field and the ever-expanding JG Programs; Pay starts at \$19 an hour but there are only 3 steps and it takes about 3-5 years to get a raise; Training about 200 a year due to huge attrition numbers; On average only retaining a guard for about 2 years; Slated to train 170 guards this year.

Respectfully Submitted,

Mike Silvestri, Training Chair
California Surf Lifesaving Association



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TO: CSLSA Board of Directors
FROM: Joseph Sholl, Way and Means Committee Chair
DATE: 4/12/2023
SUBJECT: WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEE ACTIVITY REPORT

During the Ways & Means Committee Meeting, the 2022 Budget: Year End Report and the 2023 Budget: Year-to-Date Report were reviewed and discussed. During the meeting, the Ways and Means Committee Members requested two actions.

1. That the JG Membership Kit fee be paid out of the JG Committee Fund instead of the Membership Committee Fund
2. That the Exchange Committee Fund be move to a General Fund Line Item instead of being in a restricted account.

Both requests were discussed and all Committee Members agreed to the proposed actions.

It was determined that these requests were within the purview of the Ways and Means Committee and therefore did not require a motion or a vote.

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