



General Chair Slate of Nominations

Andrew Nguyen



I recently joined the Scottsdale Aquatic Club staff in August, 2021, as Head Coach/CEO. Having been a long standing Age Group Coach for Bellevue Club Swim Team since 2009, and Head Coach from 2016 to August, 2021, I led the team to success at State and National levels.

I have been credited with having the highest number of USA Swimming Scholastic All-America student athletes in Pacific Northwest Swimming; placing top 5 in USA Swimming Scholastic All-American Team; placing 2nd at Winter Junior Nationals in 2018; winning Winter Junior Nationals in 2019; winning Senior Sectionals in 2019; placing top 6 at Summer Junior Nationals in 2019. In 2021, BCST placed top 5 at Futures and top 10 at the Speedo Summer Championships.

In 2014, I was a part of the Fitter Faster Tour as the Strength and Conditioning Coach, leading to obtain my Certified Strength and Conditioning Specialist certification (CSCS), and thereby development of dryland programs that are implemented from Age Group to National levels at both BCST and Scottsdale Aquatic Club.

Since becoming Head Coach/CEO of Scottsdale Aquatic Club in 2021, I have continued to lead Scottsdale Aquatic Club through successful championship meets. Taking 15 first time qualifiers to Winter Junior Nationals, obtaining first place at Regionals in 2022, 2nd place at Senior State in 2022, and 2nd place at Age Group State in 2022, I continue to show Arizona Swimming how successful student-athletes should present themselves in a humble manner.

I believe in clear and concise communication between athletes, coaches and officials, which will only better the LSC and the direction we want to go. By becoming General Chair, I have an opportunity to create definitive lines so that our LSC will become a cohesive unit in the leadership of coaches, officials and athletes. We have an opportunity to change the culture of swimming for positive change with a successful outcome and I know I am the person to lead that charge. Thank you

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Tom Oliver



I am glad to be nominated for General Chair and ask for your vote.

I have been a member of Arizona Swimming for 17 years. During that time, I have been a parent, an Official, the LSC Safe Sport Chair, and the Official Chair. During this time, I have learned that this is a bottom-up sport, in that it is Athlete focused, Coaches managed and directed, and Parent funded and our action as a board should be to serve the Swimmer, the Coaches and the Parents.

During the 17 years, I have been an official serving at all levels of meets within the LSC and National level. I am currently a Meet Referee but enjoy working as a Stroke and Turn. I have been a Deck Referee at State Championships, and Jr Nationals but enjoyed working as a Stroke and Turn judge at LSC Meets and the 2021 Olympic Trials.

I have also served as the first LSC Safe Sport Chair. As the first Safe Sports Chair, I help introduce safe sport concepts to the LSC teams, and was able to help a swimmer obtain one of four USA Swimming Safe Sport Fellows positions.

Most recently I have served as the Official Chair. I am responsible for the training of officials and ensuring all meets are fairly and equability officiated. I resolve problems for officials within the LSC and USA Swimming. I nominate officials to volunteer at National Meets and to be the Meet Referee at our LSC Meets. I approve meets to be uploaded to SWIMS and ensure Officials are certified.

I have four children who swam for AZ Swimming at Tucson FORD. Three swam in college at University of Utah and St Cloud State. All achieved LSC Championship times, several National times and contributed to their college teams.

I am married to Regina Oliver without whose love and support I would not have been able to accomplish these goals.

I am recently retired from engineering positions for the US NAVY and Millennium Engineering. In these positions I was responsible for the execution of several program with budgets up to \$100M yearly.

Joe Zemaitis



Joe Zemaitis has been involved with swimming in Arizona continuously since 1990. Joe swam in Arizona as an Age Group and High School Swimmer, was a NCAA Division III swimmer, competed world wide as an amateur and professional triathlete, and currently competes in open water marathon swimming. Joe started Swim Neptune in 2002 and has been actively coaching in Arizona since then. His involvement with Arizona Swimming includes service as Age Group Chair from 2006-2011, Admin Vice Chair from 2018-pres., serving as the Open Water Chair, and five years on the Technical Committee. Joe supports creating and maintaining meaningful competition for all levels of swimmers in Arizona. He will work with the Board of Directors to provide enhanced support and educational opportunities for swimmers and the coaches, officials, and parents that support them.



Admin Vice Chair Slate of Nominations

Jody Betts



I've been a USA Swimming official since 2008, serving in the Southeastern, Georgia and now Arizona LSC's. My experience includes officiating in all positions at summer swim league meets, High School/NCAA meets and USA Swimming LSC/National Deck meets. My career involves 34 years in Operations Leadership with the same company. Outside of officiating, I paddle/steer Dragon Boat competitively, volunteer as a Court Appointed Special Advocate (CASA) for Maricopa County foster children, and help out in my church's business office as a receptionist. The skill sets I've developed in all of these areas will benefit Arizona Swimming's athletes and coaches going forward. I appreciate the opportunity to run for Administrative Vice Chair and look forward to serving Arizona Swimming should I be elected.

Carla Morelli



I was a high school teacher, then a stay at home Mom when my 3 daughters discovered swimming (many years ago!) I quickly became a swimming parent with all the driving and volunteering being an active swim parent requires. Those experiences and contacts eventually led me to the Arizona Swimming office which opened in 2006. Most recently I was the Executive Director from which I retired in December 2021 after 15 years.

During the 15 years I served in the position as Membership, Registration, Sanctions, Assistant Secretary to the Board of Directors, Times Verification, Safety and Executive Director. I have worked with all of the elected chairs and appointed positions within the Arizona Swimming organization to help coordinate their duties as outlined in the AZSI Bylaws directed by USA Swimming.

Swimming has played a big part in my life and I would feel privileged to serve the members of Arizona Swimming.



Secretary

Slate of Nominations

Helen Casseday



I have been a member of Arizona Swimming since 2006 as a coach. I am also an official and master's swimmer. I have been in and around swimming since the age of six and was lucky enough to swim for a NCAA division III college. I continue to participate in open water events and I am passionate about sharing my love for the sport with each of my swimmers at all levels. I have two children and each of them swam in Arizona for over 10 years. My son is now an NCAA division III collegiate swimmer too!

I am excited to continue the position of Secretary and promote the sport of swimming in Arizona.



Age Group Chair Slate of Nominations

Joey Morgan



(no bio submitted)

Meg Zajdzinski



Meg Zajdzinski has deep Arizona swimming roots. She has spent the better part of the last 40 years involved in Arizona swimming, as a coach, a swimmer, the AZ Coaches representative as well as the safe sport representative. She looks forward to continuing to serve the community as the Arizona Swimming Age Group Chair.