

SAFE SPORT PVS HOD REPORT MAY 2018

PVS is fortunate to not only have a Safe Sport representative on the board but also to have the Eastern Zone representative and previous Safe Sport Chair Greg York who remains active with our local board and LSC activities. 2018 has been a year of greater visibility and awareness regarding Safe Sport not just locally but nationally. We continue to explore new ways to make the Safe Sport conversation a part of everything we do as an LSC. The safety of our athletes is of the utmost importance and we strive to find more safe sport advocates to work with the chair and board to reach greater numbers of our constituents.

2017-2018 SAFE SPORT ACTIVITIES

- Attendance at USA Swim Convention Safe Sport Track
- Attendance at Eastern Zone Meeting – Safe Sport Track
- Visibility at swim meets – distribution of bag tags, swim caps, hanging of banners
- One on Consultations/Meetings with Clubs on site or via phone
- Intake and one on one consultations with athlete parents/guardians
- Consultations with Meet Refs or Directors
- Communicated Safe Sport Mondays USA Swimming Communications as posted to website
- Presented at a Club Female Athlete Empowerment Workshop
- Collaborated with Diversity Chair on Officials Workshop and contributed content
- Attended USA Swimming Safety for Swim Coaches Education Film Production – Met with athletes and parents about Safe Sport, provided Safe Sport Swag....

REMAINING ACTIVITY FOR 2017-2018 SEASON

- Finalize Safe Sport Club Ambassadors (Adult and/or Athlete Rep at each club)
- Involve Athletes in creating more athlete education to roll out in 2018-2019
- Safe Sport Workshop (July 2018)
- Continue to be a resource for any LSC member with questions or concerns regarding Safe Sport
- 2018-2019 SAFE SPORT Planned Activities
- Formalize Safe Sport Committee via Ambassadors
- Conduct Quarterly Safe Sport Conference Calls
- Roll out quarterly PVS Safe Sport reporting (while maintaining confidentiality)

- Provide early season Meet Manager and Meet Marshal specific Safe Sport Training
- Continue to increase the visibility at Meets, Events and Meetings
- Improve processes to ensure deck access is limited to appropriate individuals
- Workshop for Coaches and Parents to work together and dialogue on how to improve the athlete experience via Safe Sport guidelines
- LSC Athlete Education Workshop
- Continue work/contributions to National Committee Projects

As Safe Sport Chair, I will attend several Safe Sport workshops and conferences to stay up to date with emerging practices and bring the knowledge back to PVS for the benefit of our members. I am serving on the board as an unattached member of the LSC. I do not make any income from the sport and have no financial interest in any Club. I am the parent of two teenage female high school age swimmers, one with aspirations of swimming for college, the other with aspirations of rowing for college. I look forward to continuing to serve PVS.

Respectfully Submitted

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