



## South Texas Swimming

*To empower all athletes to be successful in life by providing resources, equal opportunity, and organizational excellence.*

Board of Directors: Agenda

Meeting Date: February 10, 2026, 8:00pm

- Welcome & Roll Call: (8:00 pm)
- Approval of Minutes: January 2026 (Jessica, 1/28 email to BOD & direct link is [here](#))
- Updates (Jessica)
  - LEAP due 9/30/26 (in progress)
  - Time standards for STX, TAGS, and Sectionals have been added to SWIMS
  - For BOD approval: Eliminate Adaptive Aquatics Chair as redundant with DICE Committee
  - For BOD approval: Removing committee members not in good standing
  - No election representatives necessary for Deputy Officials Chair election (no election necessary)
  - Resignation of Monica Thomason from Governance Committee (term expires 4/12/2026)
  - Confirming Athlete Reps submitted their contact information to the Southern Zone Athlete Rep
- Financial reports (Erin/Garrett)
- Board reports - Discussion/Approval
- Proposal from Chad Capps for Open Water Development Fund expenses to pay for officials (see attached proposal)
- Open Water Zone update (Tracey Spurgeon)
- Approve new committee member appointments
  - Governance Committee (submitted by Sue Young, Chair): Jett Pittman and Michael Koerner (nonathlete members)
  - Athlete Committee (submitted by Angie Fain): Olivia Rogers, Constanza Martinez, Kaylinn Mize
- Appoint members to STX Scholarship Committee
- New Business
- Adjourn

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**Re: Fw: Marble Falls Meet Information/Safety Plan**

5 messages

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**Mark Parshall** <generalchair@stswim.org>  
To: Chad Capps <chad.capps@yahoo.com>  
Cc: Registration & Sanctions <registration@stswim.org>

Thu, Jan 22, 2026 at 8:15 AM

Chad,

I will put this on the agenda for discussion at the next BOD Meeting. Whose budget are you planning for this to come out of? Officials?

On Thu, Jan 22, 2026 at 8:07 AM Chad Capps <[chad.capps@yahoo.com](mailto:chad.capps@yahoo.com)> wrote:

Mark,  
See attached email. I sent this to the group yesterday

I currently have 4 officials traveling from out of state for this meet: Mike Murphy (WA), Andrea Kelly (IA), Jeff McCoskey (MO) and Christine Newcamp (PA). I should be able to get more when I go to OW Nat in April. I also have Cody, Chris, Sue and Monica from South Texas as well as a few from Gulf that plan to officiate. Officials from out of state are coming to train those in state so we can host meets in the future without bringing in outside help. Currently, I am the only open water official in South Texas and that needs to change if we hope to have open water meets. The more I can convince to come to Marble Falls the better our meets will be going forward.

I have told Mike & Andrea we would pay for them to come as they will be part of the sanction will be training leadership positions (meet referee and admin). I would like to get an AirBNB for all officials traveling from out of state. There is one within walking distance of the course that sleeps 10 for about \$1600 for 2 nights. I think it will help incentivize other national officials to come. Personally, I will have my family with me, so I doubt if I will be able to use it. I think the sooner we get airfare for Mike and Andrea the cheaper it will be.

I have been busy working on the attached Meet Information and Safety Plan as well as working local meets. I have not had time to contact the Yacht Club yet, I hope to do that this week.

Sent from Yahoo Mail for iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

On Wednesday, January 21, 2026, 6:35 PM, Chad Capps <[chad.capps@yahoo.com](mailto:chad.capps@yahoo.com)> wrote:

I have gone as far as I can on the Meet Information and Safety Plan (see attached). If anyone knows answers to any of these let me know and I will update the document.

There are a few things highlighted on the document that need addressed before we can submit it for sanctioning.

- Entry Procedures
  - I want to use Club Assistant but need to figure out how to set it up.
- EMTs & Hospital
  - I added the closest one I could find but I am not sure if this is the one the EMT's will go to - Mike Koerner probably knows or will know.
- Thermal Safety
  - We need to talk about tents for shade and tents for changing areas. How can we get them?

- Awards
  - Are we still planning on giving awards as it is listed?
- Discounted Hotel Information
  - Need to discuss this with Parks and Rec to see if they have recommendations for a hotel block.

## Safety Plan

- Race Day Schedule
  - Do we want to run USAS or USMS first?
  - This lists buoy colors and I need to make sure this gets updated with correct colors when we know what they are.
- Safety personnel
  - Who is the Medical Officer - Mike Koerner probably knows or will know.
  - Lifeguards – need to share this with Koby so he is aware of responsibilities listed.
  - On water kyackers is listed in a lot of places, not sure if this references lifeguards, officials or both.
  - Police Boat / EMT boat – I am not sure if we will have this. Need to ask Parks & Rec and Mike Koerner.
- Safety meetings
  - More questions about kayakers.
- Other Safety Information
  - Need contact information for people we do not have

I got some good sites for water quality testing

- Water Quality: Lower Colorado River Authority
  - <https://waterquality.lcra.org/>
    - <https://waterquality.lcra.org/site-detail?SiteId=12320>
    - <https://waterquality.lcra.org/site-detail?SiteId=12323>
    - <https://waterquality.lcra.org/site-detail?SiteId=12319>

Thanks,  
Chad

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Thu, Jan 22, 2026 at 8:54 AM

I was hoping to use part of the 15k Open Water Development Fund. It is for training so we can host future meets on our own. It is not something that we could afford with meet fees. It is needed because no STX official has open water experience. I would like to have 4 on the water in kayaks (one on each corner), 2 on referee boats (one on each boat), 2 on beach watching water, 2 working with admin. I would then pair as many local officials as possible with each of them.

I also have a question to Marble Falls Parks and Recreation about training lifeguards for open water. This is separate certification that is needed for open water. If local pool lifeguards had that certification we could bring them into local meets as well. I have not received a reply.

It is 3 nights for \$1860.92 for up to 12 people, 10 comfortably. Check in on Friday, be in the water 1 hour before sunrise on Saturday and Sunday. Check out on Sunday. It comes to about \$180 per person for 3 nights or \$60 per night per official. A lot cheaper than a hotel. I am unsure of how much airfare would be. Again, I do not plan to use this, it is purely to entice National officials to come and train local officials.

Thanks,  
Chad

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Fri, Jan 23, 2026 at 10:37 AM

Chad,

I will present your proposal to the BOD next meeting.

Budget -

Travel: 4 out-of state officials airfare, approximately \$2000?

Lodging: AirBNB, approximately \$2000

Total \$4000.00

This would be proposed as a one-time expenditure, to be post-race success evaluated for the future.

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I have added this to the next BOD meeting on February 10 @ 8:00pm.



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My plan was to pay travel for 2 out of state officials. Only those in leadership positions (Mike and Andrea). The AirBNB will go a long way into convincing others to come. We need more officials to train none leadership positions.

Flying to Marble Falls doubles the price. We can get them a car to share, or I can pick them up. It is 1 hour 10 mins from Austin, 1 hour 25 mins from San Antonio. Flight prices are about the same to either Austin or San Antonio.

*All prices are based off Expeida searches:*

- Flights from Seattle to Austin are \$300-\$400 (\$900 to Marble Falls)
- Flights from Des Moines to Austin are \$450 to \$550 (\$750 to Marble Falls)
- A car rental is around \$300 for those 3 days.

It may be easier to give them each a travel budget and let them make their own reservations? I will let you decide what is best and most likely to be approved by the board.

The AirBNB is a Vrbo and with tax the total is \$1,860.92.

That makes travel budget between \$950 and \$1,250 depending on car rental.

\$1,860.92 for AirBNB

- **Total of \$2,810.92 or \$3,110.92.**

Or

- **\$400 + \$550 (min travel budget) + \$1,900 (Vrbo rounded) = \$2,850**
- **\$550 + \$700 (travel budget including car) + \$1,900 (Vrbo rounded) = \$3,150**

Currently, I have 2 (Jeff and Christine) that would probably come either way. Christine has only worked 2 open water meets but Jeff is very experienced. I have two that said they would come but I have not had a commitment from them yet. Both have been Meet Referee's at Open Water Nationals in the past. Last year I had a lot of officials in Sarasota tell me they would come and I can get commitments from them in April while I am there. If I

could tell them the room was taken care of, I am certain I could fill the Vrbo.

This is an aerial view of the Vrbo property showing how close it is to the competition area. The backyard is connected to the lake and can be used as a launch spot for watercraft. It is ideal, and about half the price as others in the area that are not as close.



Thanks,  
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