

May 28, 2026 Rocket City Swim League (RCSL) Board Meeting Huntsville Aquatic Center - Lanai 6:00pm

Board members present

Adam Proud
Brian Ham
Lindsey Carroll
Elizabeth Janssen Hughes
Jennifer Newby

Greg Wright
Monica Ludwig
Kelly Durham
Sara Covington

Board members absent

Scott Thomas
Hudson Morris

Council Pools - ALL PRESENT

Blossomwood
Byrd Spring
Camelot
Chapman
Greenwich
Hampton Cove
Lily Flagg
Monte Sano
Mt. Carmel

Mountain Springs
Piedmont
Sharon Johnston
Sherwood
Valley Hill
Whitesburg
Jones Valley
Redstone Arsenal

Absent Pools - NONE

Call to order - Adam Proud (President)

Approval of previous meeting minutes

President Report - Adam Proud (President)

The Declaration of Intent from the website will be emailed out to everyone to print. Pools cannot compete until BOTH declaration of intent & insurance proof are received.

Declaration of Intent Form - due before by NOON on June 2, 2026. Submit to Jennifer Newby at jenniferdnewby@yahoo.com.

Proof of Insurance - due before by NOON on June 2, 2026. Submit to Jennifer Newby at jenniferdnewby@yahoo.com.

Treasurer Report - Monica Ludwig (& Greg Wright)

Budget was finalized & invoices were sent out a few days ago from Greg Wright. Still missing both swim & dive dues from Jones Valley & Lily Flagg.

Be aware that city meet invoices may come from "Elizabeth Thornton, LLC" on

behalf of RCSL at "eltlclnvoicing@gmail.cominstead" to keep Monte Sano books cleaner.

Copies of complete 2026 budget was handed out to coaches/ reps/board members.

Assistant 1st Vice President (City Meet) - Elizabeth Hughes & Lindsey Carroll

Still need an official meeting with Julie Blauwkamp who has been out of town. Will meet soon. Nothing to report today.

2nd Vice President (Records) - Hudson Morris, Greg Wright

Ribbons arrive today. Each team will need to pick up ribbons from Greg's house

this weekend. Please text him when you come by!

Entries - Hudson will email out detailed instructions on how to do entries this weekend.

Ribbons were not purchased for 13&over dual meet swimmers. This helped keep dues stable this year.

2nd Vice President (Swim) - Brian Ham (vpswim@swimrcsl.org)

We have had 3 deck training dates over the past few weeks. 34 people have been trained.

Each pool has enough officials except Byrd Spring & Chapman. Some officials have moved pools, so please check the website is correct & up to date.

If a host pool does not have enough officials to run a dual meet, they will need to

work with the visiting team.

If you have any USA swimming officials - send in credentials to Brian Ham.

Some pools would be interested in doing a deck training in June. Brian will pass that along to the next 2nd VP for swim for the 2027 season.

2nd Vice President (Dive) - Sara Covington & Kelly Durham

Voting today to add a 3rd Dive VP. Dive went digital last year, and they need another person to handle the digital side. Andrea Maples was nominated.

2nd Vice President (Records) - Jennifer Newby

Next board meeting scheduled for June 18th at 6:00.

Unfinished Business

Voting on 5 different proposals. Have all 17 pools represented, so will need

12/17 for any proposal to be approved (2/3 majority according to ROC).

Vote #1 - administrative changes to ROC. Passed 16 yay, 1 abstain

Vote #2 - adding 3rd Vice President for Dive (and named Andrea Maples for 2026). Passed 16 yay, 1 abstain.

Vote #3 - terminating ribbons for 13&over swimmers at dual meets. Passed

12 yay, 4 no, 1 abstain.

League can sell packs of ribbons to teams that still want 13&over ribbons.

The \$4000-\$5000 savings on these ribbons keeps dues from going up, they will not cause dues to decrease.

Vote #4 - amending splash requirement for city meet if league only has 4 dual meets. Alternative for board to approve 5th meet for 2nd splash proposal passed 12 yay, 1 no. 3 yay to only 1 splash requirement. 1 abstain.
The board will decide on 5th meet approved for 2nd splash. This meet must have certified officials.

Vote #5 - setting competitor age for duration of season. Motion/2nd to amend date to May 30th (earliest dual meet date in next 5 years). Passed 15 yay, 2 no.

Original proposal was for 1st dual meet each year, but that would cause some kids to have less than or more than 2 years in each age group.

Greg will send out instructions for computer people to “age” swimmers correctly.

Meeting adjourned at 7:00pm