



California Surf Lifesaving Association

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To: CSLSA Board of Directors

From: Chris Graham, Exchange Committee Chair

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Subject: **Exchange Committee Report – Workshop Minutes**

I would like to thank the following individuals for participating in the Lifeguard Exchange Committee.

Kurt Lager — Del Mar
James Nothhelfer — Lake Mission Viejo
Charlotte Smits van Oyen — LA County
Mike Beuerline — Huntington City
Lindsay Ortega — Huntington City
Becky Levine — Huntington State
Eric Bauer — City of Newport Beach
Vince Lombardi — Camp Pendleton

Discussion Topics

1. How would the Exchange Lifeguards go about receiving cash donations from individuals or companies? What would be the best way to provide a receipt for tax purposes? (Tax ID number, etc.) Can Lindsay and Becky have the donor mail their donation to the CSLSA via Bob Moore who can then forward the money to them?
2. During the spring meeting at Camp Pendleton, we discussed the issue regarding an exchange lifeguard who doesn't provide a report to the CSLSA body following their exchange experience. Reenie Boyer and Jon Mitchel from Newport expressed what I thought was a good idea on how to refund the money to the CSLSA if an exchange lifeguard doesn't provide a presentation when they return.

Each exchange applicant is required to provide two letters of recommendation., one from their Chief Lifeguard, Captain or Lieutenant and one from their CSLSA Chapter President. It was suggested that responsibility for the applicants' successful completion of the exchange and subsequent presentation to the CSLSA be put back upon these two individuals who supported them. Yesterday we voted to implement this change. Therefore these references would be notified when their applicant is chosen and reminded of the requirements of the exchange for

complete CSLSA sponsorship.

3. We also decided to add this mandatory presentation to the CSLSA as part of the responsibilities section for the exchange flyer. Further, we discussed the importance of emphasizing the need for a post-exchange presentation during the interview process with each applicant to make sure they understand that it is part of their responsibility for completing the exchange.

Conclusion

The exchange committee feels that two excellent lifeguards have been chosen to represent the CSLSA in the 2002-2003 New Zealand exchange. We feel confident that the above changes will ensure that we have enthusiastic and well-prepared candidates for years to come.