

Dear Members of Chase Creek Swim Club,

On June 2nd, a Board member hung a Pride flag to mark the observance of Pride Month in support of the LGBTQ+ community. It is our hope that this email serves to answer any questions you may have on this matter. At the time, several board members were unaware of who put up the flag. A quick decision was made to remove the flag pending a discussion of the matter at the June 16th board meeting.

During the June 16th board meeting, a motion was made to display the Pride flag for the remainder of June 2022. A lengthy and thoughtful discussion ensued. We decided the best way forward was to democratically vote on the display of the Pride flag for the remainder of the month of June. The majority of the Board voted in favor of displaying the flag for the remainder of Pride Month June 2022. **The Board also acknowledged the lack of a flag policy and the need for further discussion about a policy for flags moving forward**.

We thank the members who have submitted feedback to the Board and apologize for the delay in our response. As is standard practice, we needed to first agree on a response that reflects our voice from the Board as a whole. It is our sincere hope that this communication reinforces the board's commitment to diversity and inclusion as part of our club's mission statement to "promote the health and general welfare of the communities" to which our members belong. We acknowledge and respect the beliefs and opinions of all members of Chase Creek Swim Club, and we continue to strive to act in the best interest of our membership.

Sincerely, The CCSC Board

Chase Creek Swim Club

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