



HOD Report  
Executive Secretary  
April 17, 2021

- **Sanctions/Meet Schedules**—Sanction committee put together 7 meets for the End of Season. The 8 & Under Finale had 63 swimmers which was a great showing consider the numbers of 8 & Unders currently registered (only 167). The Senior Championship had 208 swimmers at Millard for a Timed Final meet. GOAL was the top point earner. Three Area Challenge Meets were held (Council Bluffs, Lincoln, Hastings – with a total of 587 swimmers between the three meets. Two 14 & Under Championship meets are being held (to be scored together) in Ralston and Lincoln with a total of 293 swimmers between the two sites. A B secondary time was added to the championship meets. Several were eliminated from the Senior meet. No 14 & Under swimmer was eliminated. We used the B secondary time as the entry time rather than the A Automatic which remained at the 2020 qualifying time.  
**Host payments** – Fees for the championship meets were received by the MW office and proceeds after MW expenses and have been forwarded to all three meet hosts. Numbers for the three meets totaled 501; numbers for the 2019 short course championship was 623 - down about 20% which is approximately the percentage of registration numbers that MW is down from 2019.  
**Awards** were done for the 14 & U meets by Betsy and awards are currently being distributed.  
**Requests for Summer meets** – We currently have requests for 16 meets going forward from April 1. Several have been sanctioned. Not all of the meets are LCM. Not all of the requesting hosts have everything nailed down. We are still following USA Swimming Covid protocols for the meets through August. Rather than having one committee meeting, the meets are being reviewed by the committee as we receive all of the information and then being sanctioned. We are encouraging any type of meet that can be safely held.  
**Long Course Championship** – Jimmy has been working on qualifying times for the LC Championship keeping the Automatic times at the 2019 Qual time and working on a B Secondary time. We do not currently have a host and we do not know that the number limitations will be for any possible facility.
- **Sectionals:** Midwestern had 52 athletes at the Region VIII Sectional meet in Jenks OK. The Spring 18 & Under TYR meet will have 4 sites, with MW assigned to Des Moines. Qualifying times for the TYR meets are 2019 Winter Junior Qual times. If the meets do not fill, they will be opened to those with Futures times.  
**Summer 2021** – Meet will be in either Columbia or Shawnee Mission, dependent on capacity and perhaps need to use both facilities to accommodate USA Swimming recommendations of 250 females and 250 males. The meet will be closed to the Central Zone South Section only (Region VIII). Fees will be the same as spring. Time standards may be adjusted to account for 500 athletes.  
**Dates for 2022** – March 10-13, 2022 and July 13-16, 2022 – with BOTH meets being LONG COURSE  
**Long Course Senior Circuit** – Four meets being added in 2022 – Oct/Nov – Jenks; Dec – MV; Jan – OZ, Feb - AR
- **Zones:** Tentatively MW will attend the Central Zone meet in Westmont, IL. This meet is a ‘family travel’ meet for MW. The qualifying times will be the 2021-2024 AAA standard with the qualifying period dating back to the 2019 Zone meet (August 8, 2019 to August 1, 2021). CZ is looking at modifying the format of the meets to 3 days and actually looking backwards to some previous formats that may work better during the pandemic.
- **Trials:** Many of the MW Board and other MW volunteers are gearing up for Trials which will be swum in two Waves, eliminating the Omaha Cup, which is a big disappointment to Midwestern. But we do understand the Covid-19 dilemma. Several extra days have been added, so we are looking forward to spending a lot of time at the CHI Health Center in Omaha.