



Central Zone General Chairs Call
Tuesday, July 11th – 12:00 PM ET/11:00 AM CT

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Tracy Meece, Jack Swanson, Michael White, Betty Kooy(MW), Bobby Kelley(IA), Amie Adams(IL), Angela Monty(WI), Pam Lowenthal(IL), Bob Stab(OK), Brian Toay(ND), Stacy Christie(MV), Dawn Gurley(MI), Steve Marchitelli(MW), Jennifer (Arkansas), Jim Peterfish(OH), Kirstin MacPhail(LE), Martin Schmidt(SD), Paul Stauder(IN), Susan Mechler(OH), Tom Lombardo(OZ), Vince Colwell(LE), Scott Bliss(MV), Jackson Leonard(IA)

Last Month's Notes

1. Welcome! 11:00AM Call to order and recording started

2. Reports from LSCs

Discussion Topic: What steps has your LSC/clubs in your LSC taken to reduce barriers to entry and participation in swimming?

MW – Outreach swimmers reimbursed 75% of meet fees (Betty Kooy)

revenue coming LSC budgeted line item (Meet host is not losing any revenue)

Amounts are tracked annually from year to year

MV – How to communicate the outreach option to the “right” people?

Parents don't know and SOME are registering as outreach incorrectly- Registration issue

MV – outreach fees are paid for at 85% from LSC budget.

Scholarship type program – up to 3 athletes per year/team if team are also providing some assistance.

IA – Has it in their meet information that Outreach swimmers pay \$5 to swim

MN – host meets during practice times with bare-bone officiating crew to reduce costs (facility already being paid for by practice times)

Possible future discussion topics: LSC Championships, USA Swimming legislation for 2023

3. Reports from Officers

a. Zone Director Update (Jack, Michael)

- i. Policy manual working group to meet in August
- ii. Championship Meet Evaluation Committee to meet in August

b. 2023 Zone Championship Updates (Jack, Michael, Lisa, Meet Hosts)

- i. Open Water Championship Meet (June 15th-16th)
LSC host did FANTASTIC.
Safety Officer – water temp/wet suit use
- ii. 14 and Under (August 3rd-6th) – Elkhart, IN and Lenexa, KS
- iii. Meet format overview October 1st, 2023 at 7 PM CT (AG Chairs, Tech Planning Chairs, Zone Officers, Competitions Chairs, other interested parties should plan to attend)

c. 2023 USA Swimming House of Delegates (Jack S., Michael, Zach)

- i. LSCs may nominate 3 coach members and 1 non-coach non-athlete member to the House of Delegates.
- ii. Betty Kooy (MW), Pam Lowenthal (IL), Susan Mechler (OH) nominated by Zone Directors as Non-Coach, Non-Athlete Delegates

d. Athletes Report- 2023 Athlete Summit and Beyond (Zach, Savannah)

- i. 2023 Summit Invoices – Tracy will be invoicing LSCs for dorm rooms.
- ii. 2024 Athlete Summit

4. New Business – Get out to VOTE at HOD this fall! Make sure your LSC people are designated and know their responsibility.

5. Adjourn – 12:02PM

Next Meeting: Thursday, August 10th at 10 AM CT/11 AM ET