

BOD Report
Senior Athlete Representative
May 2018

During the weekend of House of Delegates, I had the opportunity to travel down to Houston for a Leadership Summit. It taught me many new techniques for connecting with athletes and coaches throughout our LSC. Claudia Chang attended with me and each day we went through different lessons of what it meant to be a leader. Each person is a leader in their own way, no matter how little or big. I met several new people from other LSCs and am keeping in touch with them with hopes of doing some charity/community work in the summer throughout the LSCs, to promote athlete unity. I would like to thank Minnesota Swimming for allowing me this opportunity that grew my leadership and helped me develop one unique to myself as well.

Secondly, I would like to address my hopeful goals for the upcoming year. I would love to connect with more athletes from smaller or developing clubs, as their view is quite different. I will also be having more conference calls with the athlete committee just for updates and opinions about meets or situations. We had very few last year and I believe it is important we have continual support from them when we express our opinions or ideas at meetings. Hopefully, we will also have more athletes on several committees. Our group that applied this year filled out the application very diligently and I am excited to see where they can take us. My final goal is to work more with our community. The more we work with the community, the more aware they become of swimming. I would love to do drives and maybe take the committee to pack food for kids. I have two great partners, Byron Jia and Noah Rice, that seem truly enthusiastic about the growth and impact we can make this year.

Lastly, I would like to appoint the following people to the 2018-19 Athlete Committee:

Ethan Anderson (LSSC)
Brady Boi (RSC)
Jackson Brown (AQJT)
Claudia Chang (AQJT)
Eleanor Dolan (PRNH)
Ryan Druce (AQJT)
Kalina Fuglie (WEST)
Melina Hughes (MAKO)
Yvonne Jia (EDI)
Ella Lang (PRNH)
Abby Larson (ASF)
Mikayla Meece (ALEX)
Brecken Merkel (EDI)
Zach Nelson (RIPT)
Ally Peterson (PRNH)
Richanta Pollard (STAR)
Ethan Schaffer (NOR)
Katelyn Smith (NSAC)
Sierra Smith (LIFE)
Ahnika Vininski (ASF)
Verity Wray-Raabolle (ASF)
Patrick Hunter (Ex-Officio)
Jack Swanson (Ex-Officio)
Cassy Shapley (Staff Liaison)

Looking forward to a great year and welcome to everyone who is new!

Respectfully Submitted,
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