

Date: September 17, 2018

To: Minnesota Swimming Board of Directors

From: Lucas Baarlaer, Senior Vice Chair

Re: Senior Vice Chair July/August Report

A note to the board -

I want to apologize for my lack of attendance as of late. Please know that my commitment to Minnesota Swimming has not changed over the last couple of months, but some personal conflicts along with many coaching conflicts have made it difficult to attend the meetings. The senior committee is still active and has been tasked with some agenda items as listed below. Please reach out to me with any feedback or concerns.

Our next committee meeting was originally scheduled for Tuesday, September 25, but too many members were unable to participate. We will look to reschedule the first week of October.

Our topics for the meeting will include National Travel Reimbursement, Spring State Meet, Summer 2019 State, and Olympic Development. For National Travel we will look to have conversations about how we should handle reimbursement for coaches whose athletes make a national team, but who they themselves are not on the national staff. We will also try to be creative in how we can encourage more of our athletes to attend meets in which they have qualified for.

Although State meet this Spring is not technically a Senior meet we will discuss the format and add any suggestions.

For summer State 2019 we will discuss different scenarios including when we should host a Senior State meet and potentially where.

Finally, we will discuss our Olympic Development campaign. It was an initial goal to put together more LCM training opportunities this Fall, Winter, and Spring as well as some LCM, single session meets for our LSC. We have identified a few dates that could work and we will see how we can go about making these meets a reality.

On a side note I have reached out to the Richfield Outdoor Pool to see if there is any possibility of teams hosting an extra meet or two in May or June of 2019 as the University of Minnesota pool will be going under some renovations. I will communicate their response when possible.

Respectfully submitted,

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Senior Committee Mission Statement - Minnesota senior swimming committee aims to create an environment that fosters competition and excellence allowing senior level swimmers to maximize their potential.