

OUTREACH MEET ENTRY PROPOSAL

October 24, 2017

Start Date: September 1, 2017

Plan: 1 year (then, review)

Goal:

The goal is to allow more athletes to have competition experience, no matter what their family financials may be. Competitions can be costly and can limit outreach families from participating, especially if they have multiple swimmers within their families.

Data:

WSI had 112 Outreach athletes from 2015/16 and 2016/17. 55 athletes were checked with SWIMS for all races competed in, since the 2014-15 season (approximately 50% of outreach). I used that number to estimate what 100% would look like.

I estimated \$5/event.

Proposal:

WSI pays for 50% of any meet entries an outreach athlete competes in.

How to Handle:

Meet summary forms can include an outreach line (#outreach swimmers x number of events x 50% of event cost).

Teams submitting entries must submit a list of outreach swimmers to the host club, so the host club is made aware and can verify with Carol Graham.

A form for upper level meets can be created to allow a 50% club reimbursement for any Speedo or National level meets.

A revised Meet Financial Summary can have an OUTREACH line added to it. The 50% Outreach amount can be listed that is due from WSI or the Outreach amount can be subtracted, so that the host team submits that much less, to WSI.

We would need the Treasurer's input on what the best practice would be.

1 Year Review:

This plan would be reviewed each year to determine any future changes needed.

2014-15:

Estimated Meet Entries: 1263 swims + 78 state swims + 9 speedo & national swims

Estimated Meet Fees (does not include splash): \$6705

2015-16:

Estimated Meet Entries: 1737 swims + 65 state swims

Estimated Meet Fees (does not include splash): \$9010 50% = \$4505

2016-17 (to date – 6/27/17):

Estimated Meet Entries: 979 swims + 20 state swims

Estimated Meet Fees (does not include splash): \$4895

Estimated Cost to WSI: \$5000

GUIDELINES/RULES:

1. The athlete must be currently registered with a year-round USA Swimming Outreach Membership.
2. Unattached athletes must have completed the Transfer form and submitted to Angela Monty, for their new team to receive reimbursement.
3. The meet entry fee reimbursement is not retroactive to other years.
4. The meet entry fee reimbursement includes only sanctioned or approved meets of the LSC.
5. The reimbursement does NOT include relay entry fees, splash fees, facility fees, late entry fees, or other fees/expenses for a meet.
6. The swimmer must actually swim the event. Fees are not reimbursed for "No Show" events.
7. Reimbursement goes to the outreach athlete's club--not to the athlete, and not to the host club.
8. Forms must be completed 30 days after the conclusion of the designated.
9. Teams must submit a meet manager summary, for each outreach athlete.
10. It is recommended that the club submits requests at the end of each month.

HOW TO GET REIMBURSED

1. Teams must submit a meet manager summary form, for each outreach swimmer.
2. Teams must submit the Club Outreach Summary Form.
3. Both the Club Outreach Summary Form and the Meet Manager Summary must be sent to Pat Lewno, within 30 days of the completion of the meet.
4. Pat Lewno will submit a check, to the club.

