



*Wisconsin Swimming Inc.*

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**Meeting Title:** Age-Group & Senior Planning Committee

**Chair:** Kevin Milak

**Date & Time:** March 27, 2018, 9:30 a.m.

**Location:** Brookfield City Hall

**Attendees:** Listed at end of report

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1) 12&U State Recap

- a. Challenged for spectator seating (enough seating, just not close enough to the pool)
  - i. Not bad after the relays finished up
- b. Nice space for swimmers, coaches, officials
- c. Had two 200 events on Sunday
  - i. Maybe flip the 100 IM and 200 IM?
- d. Friday event order for 11-12 is difficult (200 Breast, 200 Fly, 500 Free)
  - i. Swap one of the 200 events out for the 50 Free?
- e. 709 total athletes (770 last year)
  - i. 130 relay only swimmers
- f. 76 total 10&U boys (trending down)
- g. Large drop in 11-12 girls at the meet compared to last year

2) 13&O State Recap

- a. Do we need to combined 15-16 and 17&O?
  - i. Bring back three heats in the evening?
- b. Lead off the meet for Saturday's events on Thursday?
  - i. Slide the other two days down (Thursday to Friday, Friday to Saturday)
- c. 784 athletes (only 53 relay only)

- d. Reduce relays allowed in the meet?
    - i. Only allow “C” relays?
    - ii. Make qualifying times for relays?
    - iii. Prove your relay times?
  - e. Thursday’s Final timeline was an issue
  - f. Air quality diminished beginning Friday
  - g. What would a combined age-group (15-16 and Senior) 13&O State meet look like? How many 15-16 boys and Senior girls would be cut from Finals? Will forward to Tech Planning.
  - h. 55-minutes of 200 Medley Relay events/awards
    - i. Split the relays; girls one night, boys the other?
    - ii. Move the event altogether?
  - i. Cut awards out for relays?
  - j. What about awarding athletes right after their swims?
    - i. Similar to Junior Nationals and WIAA
- 3) Regional Recap
- a. Allow the meet host to run time trials Saturday and Sunday if time allows
  - b. Some concerns about the lack of sizes of the meets (some are a bit to small now), but over all moving to six Regionals was a solid move by the LSC
  - c. Need to find a way to make it more exciting for the swimmers achieving a State qualifying time
    - i. Scott Mueller will develop a best practice guide for Regional hosts
  - d. Do Regional meets need time standards?
    - i. Not a lot of support for this idea
- 4) Long Course topics
- a. Silver State
    - i. Give host times latitude to conduct the meet in the best possible way once the entries are received
      - 1. Chase starts, combined 13-14 and Senior events, etc.
      - 2. Ensure information is posted in a timely manner
  - b. 12&U State & 13&O State

- i. No real issues, please review September 2017 minutes for any changes necessary moving forward with this year's meet information

5) New Business

- a. The continue drop-off of younger swimmers in our sport
- b. Does the LSC need to step in and research this topic and facilitate an action plan to reverse the trend?
- c. Print ads have gone the way of the horse and buggy, online ads that target online users are more beneficial
- d. To promote Wisconsin Swimming in our state, maybe use Open Water Zones and 14&U Central Zones as an opportunity to showcase the WI LSC
  - i. Is this for the Knight Group?
- e. Discussion of reports forwarded by Dave Anderson from Tom Avischious
  - i. Can we bring in Chris Martin three times per year to assist the LSC teams in developing higher performing athletes?
- f. What is the measurement standard to use in comparing our LSC with comparable LSCs within in the region and throughout the USA

6) **Meeting Adjourned:** 11:30 a.m.

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