



Wisconsin Swimming Inc.

Meeting Title: Coaches Meeting

Chair: Dave Westfahl

Date & Time: May 15, 2018, 9:30 a.m.

Location: Brookfield City Hall

Attendees: Kevin Milak, Mike Schuenke, Caleb Hernday, Angela Monty, Rob McKabe, Dave Westfahl, Dave Anderson, Kelsey Ogle, Mark Kohnhorst, Guy Gniotczynski, Michael White, Dan Wohl, Cheri Zimdars, Mark Johnson, Emma Schatz, Shane Ryan, Brent Boock, Blaine Carlson, Alex Hallam, Jacob Johnson, Drew Walden, Wes Lagerhausen, Neil Wright

1) Next Meeting

- a. September 11, Brookfield City Hall

2) Upcoming Summer Champ Meets

a. Silver

- i. Relays or no relays?
 - 1. Drop them if the session is over four hours
- ii. Entry limit is five per day
 - 1. Six event limit when combined with time trials
- iii. Host teams should conduct the meet that fits best in the facility being used
- iv. Awards to 16
 - 1. No highpoints and team scores
- v. Keep consistently between all Silver meets
 - 1. Number of events, awards, cost, sessions over four hours drop relays

b. 12&U

- i. Meet information received, working on customizing it where appropriate

- ii. Please forward last year's event file
 - iii. Please run the meet information past Cindy Raatz
 - c. 13&O
 - i. Scratch only, no positive check-in
 - ii. Distance events will run first in Finals
 - iii. Down seed to the final heat of Prelims or the athlete's seed time
 - 1. To the final heat of Prelims
 - iv. Awards
 - 1. Do we want to continue to awards 13-14 divisional awards
 - a. No
 - b. Meet host should continue to post the scores
- 3) Team Wisconsin Update
 - a. Open Water Zones
 - i. Continues to grow, hopefully WI LSC participation grows too
 - ii. Drop in clinics via RSVP form on the website
 - 1. June 4 is the deadline for online registration
 - b. Pool Zones
 - i. Teleconference with the meet host recently
 - 1. Developing timelines
 - 2. Working on space issues
 - ii. Registration will open in early June
 - iii. Hotel room blocks are posted online, hotel next to the competition pool is full already
 - iv. Waiting for bios and pictures from the coaching staff
 - v. Uniforms will remain the same as last year
 - c. Mid-States
 - i. Developing qualifying criteria
 - 1. About 75% of the way there
 - ii. 11&U State is close to the Mid-States meet
 - 1. Will be a quick turn around to notify potential participants
 - iii. Possibility of team travel being discussed

1. Bus athletes down, team practice, team dinner and then parents would pick their children up
 2. This would be a one-way bus trip
 - iv. This meet will consist of 65-85 swimmers
 - v. Four coaches will attend
 1. Will need to develop the selection process
 - vi. Cost should be similar to Open Water Zones, a little more
 - vii. Qualifying window is September 1 – 11&U State
 - d. Outfitting
 - i. Speedo and Elsmore
 - e. Registration
 - i. Open water is live, pool events will open in early June
- 4) Rules & Policy Updates
 - a. No report
- 5) 2018-2019 meets, Regional – 11&U Meet – 12&U Meet – 13&O Meet
 - a. 11&U Meet
 - i. Will run similar to last year
 - ii. Will ensure SCM time standards are in line with the SCY and LCM time standards
 - iii. Anticipating the meet will grow
 1. Bleacher seating will primarily be for spectators
 - a. Will have a video board in the gym for athletes
 - b. 12&U Meet
 - i. Time standards
 1. Reacting to the size of the meet instead of working on predicting the size of the meet
 2. Possibly loosen 10&U qualifying times
 - a. Dave Westfahl and Michael White will work on these
 - b. Change of plan, keep time standards the same
 - ii. The meet was smaller compared to a year ago, down 50 athletes

- iii. Philosophical discussion on 10&U participation at the State meet and how this will impact future State championships
- iv. Tech Planning will revisit what a quality meet is and whether or not we need remove this idea from the books

c. 13&O

- i. Potential modifications in regards to shrinking the meet, to produce faster timelines
 - 1. Discussion revolved around eliminating C and beyond relays, eliminating relay on swimmers, running Prelims in two pools (or at least distant and relay events)
 - 2. What about adding time standards to relays
 - 3. Does this meet need an entry qualifying period
 - a. USA Swimming using an 18-month window
 - 4. Develop Bonus time standards
 - 5. What about making the time standards faster
 - 6. Get back to running Prelims in two pools
 - 7. Discussed the air quality of pools
 - a. Product of too many athletes in the pool
 - i. Heavy use of the pool does not allow the pool water to “recover”
 - b. Athletes urinating in the pool

6) Old Business

- a. Drop off in 10&U swimmers
 - i. Develop Task Force to bring ideas to the LSC
 - 1. If anyone is interested, please reach out to Dave Westfahl
 - 2. Run a 10&U quality meet where you award similar to State
- b. Marketing
 - i. No report
- c. Host OW Zones or 14&U Zones
 - i. PX3 will host OW Zones and 14&U Zones in 2019
 - ii. 2020 will be a Mega Zone

- d. Chris Martin Visit
 - i. Would come in and assess the LSCs performance and why/how the LSC drops of compared to the national average
 - ii. \$10,000 for a year
 - 1. Would visit the LSC three times a year and provide feedback for improvement
 - iii. General thought is this is a good idea and should be moved forward
 - iv. Chris is available beginning October 6
 - e. Coach and Swimmer of the Year voting / process
 - i. Can a point system be built so voting is not necessary?
 - ii. Blaine Carlson and Brent Boock will work on developing a process
- 7) Recommend to have the annual meeting take place April 26-28
- 8) New Business
- a. OW Zones and promotion
 - i. Please get the information into your athletes and parents hands
 - b. Tech Suits
 - i. Age-Group Development at the National level is pushing to ban tech suits for all 12&U swimmers except at the National meet level
 - 1. Will be up for vote at September's USAS Convention
 - 2. If it passes, it would not go into effect until January 2020
 - c. OW State
 - i. Last Thursday in June
 - d. CBS 58 did a news broadcast on the Breakout Swim Clinic
- 9) **Meeting Adjourned:** 12:18 p.m.