

On the Call: Courtney Christ, Andrea Alessi, Will Chidsey, Jade Anthony and Mike Burgess

1. Time standards and classification questions
 - a. Clarification on intellectual impairments
 - i. Since the times were so delayed being rereleased we are going off of USA Swimming's definition
 1. IQ at or below 75
 2. Significant limitations in adaptive behavior
 3. The onset has to be before age 18
 - ii. We can look on opening this up more/creating/adapting additional standards moving forward
 - iii. A clarification memo will be going out shortly
 - b. If you know of anyone who could be classified have them email disability@niagaraswim.org
 - c. Ask Eric to post on the News section of website and Social Media, not everyone was aware that the standards went out
2. LEND Program
 - a. Strong Center for developmental Disability with a goal of creating more opportunities for this population through their training curriculum
 - b. Jennifer will be coming to Syracuse in the evening on 4/4/19 for a training, any who are interested in are invited to attend
 - c. If you are interested in having your own training for your organization you can contact Jennifer at Jennifer.Ward@urmc.rochester.edu
 - d. Training is about 90 minutes, with a focus on administrative work, inclusion during the entrance process, behavioral and social inclusion and how to evaluate a program
3. Special Olympics
 - a. Spoke with Betsy a Special Olympics coach, Sport Director for Genesee Region and a Webster Bluefins coach and Martha who is a Special Olympics Coach
 - b. How we can help them
 - i. Volunteer at events
 - ii. Clinic days with inclusion relays
 1. Bluefins have done inclusion relays
 2. Clinics would be USA Swimming athletes working with Special Olympic athletes one on one and ending the day with combined relays
 - iii. Programing for both school age and adult athletes
 - iv. Officials- have a briefing they need to go through
 - c. To include Special Olympic athletes in your program there is a free certification
 - d. To see events in your area, go to the Special Olympics Site
 - e. Webster will be hosting the Special Olympics Regional Swimming Meet 5/11/19
 - f. If any clubs are interested in trying out a clinic day and/or inclusion relays please let me know!
4. Survey

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- a. Working on a survey to send out to the LSC to see where we are at as a whole with nontraditional athletes, what the coaches would like to see for programing, coaching aids/tools, etc.
 - b. If you have any questions you would like included or ideas please pass them along
5. Looking into other LSCs
- a. Since Niagara is currently behind in our programing I would like some assistance in looking at other LSC to see what programing they are doing
 - b. Each member will be assigned 2-3 LSC to look into- please look at their pages that I have linked for you, if there is a chair listed a quick email to them about programing would be appreciated!
 - c. See attached document
 - d. Please email me your findings before our next meeting

Next call Tuesday, March 19th, 2019.