

2020 USA Swimming Convention Registration Coordinator and Safe Sport Chair Report

September 24-27, 2020 – Virtual Convention

Following is a report of workshops and meetings attended at the 2019 USAS National Convention, relevant to the role of LSC Registration Coordinator and Safe Sport Chair:

Joint Membership & Times Workshop. Wednesday, September 16, 2020 (pre-convention).

APT impact on membership and times:

Reminder from the National Membership Committee that APT must be complete for registration to be valid, and for times to count for sanctioned and unsanctioned meets.

Online registration – USA Swimming national membership committee is working with IT to develop online registration on the USA Swimming website. It will be beta tested with several LSCs in early 2021, with the goal to have the new system in place for all to use in the fall of 2021. Athlete, non-athlete registration types will be able to complete USA Swimming registration via the USA Swimming website without use of 3rd party vendor (TU, Active, other team management software). LSC Registrars are being kept informed as the project progresses, and the necessity for LSC Registrars will not be lessened as there are many components that will need to be handled by LSC registrars. Online registration will be more efficient for clubs and individuals, and will also allow for Safe Sport education of parents and athletes at the time of registration.

Rules & Regulations Committee Meeting. Thursday, September 24, 2020.

Discussion of R-11 in proposed legislation – to facilitate the implementation of online registration. Both the committee and the USA Swimming Board of Directors support this item and the plan is to test online registration in the spring of 2021, and launch in fall 2021.

Discussion of R-13 in proposed legislation – to require all USA Swimming member clubs to adopt a photography policy to enhance the Minor Athlete Abuse Prevention Policy. Previously, photography policy has been recommended, but not mandatory. The USA Swimming model photography policy would serve as a default for clubs wishing to use it, or who fail to develop their own photography policy.

Healthcare Benefits for Coaches. Thursday, September 24, 2020.

USA Swimming has partnered with US Equestrian to provide a comprehensive insurance benefit options for all coach members of USA Swimming. There will be four enrollment periods each year (the first opens October 5, 2020). Coaches may view the details on the USA Swimming website here: <https://www.usaswimming.org/coaches/popular-resources/health-insurance-for-coaches> .

House of Delegates Meeting (Part 2). Saturday, September 26, 2020

Both pieces of registration related legislation (R-11 and R-13) passed. Official Adopted Legislation document will be posted on the IASI website as soon as USA Swimming makes it available.

<https://www.teamunify.com/team/lscis/page/usa-swimming/usa-swimming-convention>

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