



**MAINE SWIMMING, INC. | Maine Swimming Athletes Committee**

**7 pm via Zoom**

**4/26/22**

**Mission Statement: Create opportunities and provide resources to promote excellence in Maine Swimming**

**Vision Statement: You CAN get there from here!**

Present: Kristy Barry, Ali Bragg, Audrey Cohen, Emma Farnham, Noah Katz, McKayla Kendall, Brim Peabody (7:06), Will Porter, Maria Saltysiak, Ethan Schulz, Elle Yarborough

Absent: Abby Hollis

Guest: Brady Hale

**Call to Order**

**Mission/Vision**

**Roll Call**

by Ali Bragg

**1. Approval of Minutes - January 20, 2022**

- Motion McKayla Kendall second by Maria Saltysiak

**2. Reports:**

Age Group - Brady Hale, McKayla Kendall

McKayla Kendall talked about making more connections between the senior and age group athletes. They want to meet to come up with some ideas to get everybody together.

DEI - Maria Saltysiak, Emma Farnham, McKayla Kendall

Emma Farnham talked about the posts that we have been working on to spread awareness about diversity.

Senior - Maria Saltysiak

Maria Saltysiak said that they were talking about the Impact Award, the summer championship meet, and a training trip. She also discussed the need for more athletes on the Senior Committee.

Finance - Olivia Tighe (read by Ali Bragg)

TPC - Ali Bragg, Ethan Schulz

Ethan Schulz said that at the last meeting they talked about the summer meet for 2022 and 2023.



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### **4. USA Swimming Workshop - Ali Bragg, Ethan Schulz**

Ethan Schulz talked about the Denver workshop which included leadership, goal setting, and DEI workshops. The Athletes Committee is going to work with the DEI committee to create a DEI summit. The summit would begin with a presentation from a guest from the Denver clinic and then we would teach lessons to community members in Portland. Ali Bragg said that they made a list of goals which included making a summer open water meet, an Emily Caras Snyder Meet, and a quarterly newsletter. They also showed us the new website that they created for the Maine Swimming athletes. McKayla Kendall suggested that we add the MAAP policies to the athletes website.

### **5. Brendan Hansen Clinic - Ali Bragg**

Audrey, Noah, and Brady said that they can help out at the clinic.

### **6. Athlete Committee Budget Proposal for 2022-23 Fiscal Year and Zone Meet - Ethan Schulz**

The athletes committee is going to be getting more funding. We will be receiving \$10,000 dollars. We want to have more athlete engagement with in-person events. The big project that we are focused on is an inner zone meet, which will cost roughly \$7,500, in June of 2023 where 16 athletes from each zone will be invited. They will be chosen based on age, community involvement, LSC involvement, and academics. The first day will be a trials finals meet, the second day will be a leadership, DEI, goal setting, and college recruiting sessions along with a long course practice, the third day will be a half day sprint morning session. Ethan then answered a few brief questions.

### **7. Athlete Removal Policy - Ethan Schulz**

There is a removal policy in the bylaws for anybody selected by the HOD but athletes are not selected by HOD. Ethan Schulz said that moving forward there is now a new policy for athlete removal. This policy will make sure we will have engaged members in the future. The template is also being brought to the national level as well.



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**8. Announcements**

- Banquet this weekend April 30th
- Maine Swimming won the breakout LSC of the year award
- Applications for athletes committee 2022-23 due May 5th

Motion for Adjournment made by McKayla Kendall second by Maria Saltysiak

**To-Do List:**