

MINUTES OF THE SENIOR COMMITTEE MEETING OF 10/14/20

In attendance were Matt Montgomery, Jim Willis, Brian “Sponge” Savage, Paul Monyok, Maria Saltysiak and Mike Schmidt. The meeting commenced at 11 am.

First topic of discussion was what did our athlete members think the Senior Committee could provide for assistance on planning or setting up in terms of events for this winter’s season. Jack Pillsbury’s responses to the questions were shared with the committee. Jack suggested web events where experienced individuals shared their experiences. Maria expressed similar interest, although identified that it has to be something to generate greater interest. The committee athletes have been tasked with reaching out to the athlete committee before the next meeting to solicit ideas on topics.

The second topic of discussion was what can be provided in terms of pool opportunities for our senior athletes. There was a consensus that everyone would like to see a December meet which provides for quality swim opportunities similar to the role the Bowdoin Open has played during the calendar year. There was some discussion on using qualification times as well as tying the meet into the existing USA-S offerings for virtual meets.

In addition to the discussion on a December meet, Jim Willis identified the need for an end of the season meet.

Another suggestion discussed was using test sets as a replacement for the training camps. This would allow for swimmers around the state to compete against each other by having teams doing the same test set and then publishing the results so swimmers could compare with each other.

The result of these discussions were that committee members have a two day window to share ideas with the committee chair. At the end of that

period the committee chair will email the TPC chair the information and open up discussions on getting the TPC to address the issues.

The meeting concluded at 12 pm.