

Tech Planning Committee Meeting Minutes 3/12/19

1. Two proposals – for 15 and over age group combining

1. Swimming prelims like we currently have them, but only having A finals for 15-16 and 17-19
 - a. It was stated this was a pretty big issue for the swimmers; there is something that needs to be changed as it was confusing for the swimmers. Extra stress that could be avoided.
 - b. Swimmers see what they finish in the heat is confusing to where they finish in their age group. It is an administrative headache to try and organize and score properly.
 - c. Drop off might be some of the older swimmers who don't want to swim against the 15-16 year olds in finals. The meet was a huge success, but would like to see the fastest swimmers per age group swimming together.
 - d. Previously, the athletes remarked that they could coast through the prelims and still be able to make the finals. (eg.7 swimmers only in the 17 – 19 200 breaststroke)
 - e. Another alternative would be just swim an A final for every age group
 - f. **Option of swimming the mile Thursday night? Would help take the pressure off the timeline also.**

2. Swim an A and B finals for all age groups

- g. Committee would prefer to put this proposal out there instead of just an A final for age groups.
2. Clarify 10 & Under Scratch rules/Missing events/afternoon session
 - a. Moving the 10 and under session to the B Championships – What does this do for the swimmers who look forward to the B meet as it takes the faster swimmers out of the equation? Would like to keep the 10 and unders at the State A meet if possible.
 - b. Scratch rule – missing an event does not mean they miss the next race
 - c. 10 and unders with more breaks as the session time was really quick -
3. Distance events fastest to slowest, alternating heats
 - a. Without the two pools, this is the best way to do these events; all one gender does not have to wait for the other to get done.
4. Change 11-12 500s to timed finals only
 - a. Helps the finals session timeline; 13 and over swim prelim/finals helps the swimmers prepare for the next step of it as that is how it is swam at the higher level meets.
5. Move 11-12 relays to Saturday/Sunday
 - a. Better to move to two days as it helps those relay only kids for them to come only two days
6. Move 13 and over relays
 - a. Make 200 relays not 200/400 relays
7. Breaks in the meet – do not need to publish the breaks – this needs to be determined at the discretion of the meet referee. AO can run a report on where swimmers do not have enough time between races (20 minutes as a base). Language put together that AO and ref review an official report so breaks can be put in where breaks can be added.

Donna will write a proposal for the A and B final for all age groups

We as a tech planning committee will send out proposals in all forms.

Kyle will send a proposal to have the mile swam on Thursday night.

Kyle will have the 10 and under at the B meet in his report to start the discussion.

Adjourn at 10:30 p.m.