



Central Zone General Chairs Call
Thursday, April 11th – 11:00 AM ET/10:00 AM CT

Agenda

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Meeting ID: 810 5026 6816

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Notes from last time: [March 2024 Notes](#)

Roll Call

Arkansas	Lake Erie	Missouri Valley	Ozark
Illinois	Michigan	North Dakota	South Dakota
Indiana	Midwestern	Ohio	Wisconsin
Iowa	Minnesota	Oklahoma	

(**BOLD** reflects that LSC was present on the call)

1. Welcome! Called to order @ 10:00AM

2. Reports from LSCs

Discussion topics:

Does your LSC post MM results files on your LSC website? Any privacy concerns?

MW – Does post TM Results File.. Leave for 1 season and then pulled down.

IN – Yes post. Only locked. Customize if asked for.

ND – Used to post Results import and PDF

MI – Does post all and are archived

MN – Results, MM Files and PDF are posted and are available many years ago.

SD – Results files are posted

Lake Erie – Only PDFs since can't get files from USA Swimming

IA – no results posted

3. Reports from Officers

a. Zone Director Update (*Jack, Bob*)

- i. Central Zone Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Chair – announcement
3 candidates

Anne Knapp (MN) – newly appointed – Contact information will be added to the Officers on CZ site

- ii. Central Zone Age Group Chair - announcement
Eric Paden (AK)

- iii. Bids needed for 2026 Zone Meets. To be voted on at fall meeting. Bid form is [HERE](#).
Currently 1 bid has been received to date.

b. 2024 Central Zone 14-under Meets

January call was held – recording is available from Jack.

- i. Next call to be held **Sunday, April 28th at 7 CT** to discuss meet info.
- ii. Invited parties are LSC Age Group Chairs, Zone team head coaches/managers (if selected). LSC General Chairs and staff are also welcomed to attend. Meet Referees, Admin Referees and Meet Directors and/or Entry Chairs should attend
- iii. Call will be recorded if unable to attend.

c. Any Zone meet updates?

- i. Open water – Meet packet is being sanctioned. Will be posted on CZ and OW Site once sanctioned.



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World Aquatics rules apply to 5K races only. (For qualification for National Championships purposes.)
Swimmer's Age: Age for Open Water championships shall be determined by the athlete's age as of December 31 in the year of competition.

ii. Multi-cultural –

Tickets - USA Swimming tickets Athletes for 6/15 finals. Waiting for response from USA Swimming to allow families to purchase discount tickets near the athletes. (family/LSC responsible to get athletes to the venue)

Hotels – hotels are filling fast/prices are going up quickly

Meet information – being sanctioned soon

iii. Fargo – no update

iv. Des Moines – no update

d. Athletes Report

i. 2024 CZ Athlete Summit- June 20-23rd Indianapolis, Indiana 4 athletes/1 non-athlete.

ii. [Event website](#).

Registration IS open!! – Closes May 1, 2024

e. 2024 Central Zone Governance Plan

i. No spring workshop – Plan to conduct elections and meet bidding at the fall combined ABM/workshop.
USA Swimming Rules & Regs Call on April 23. – Discussing proposed legislation. Details on USA Swimming website.

f. Task Forces

i. Central Zone Age Group Meet

1. Review format, time standards, order of events for the Central Zone Age Group Championship Meet.
2. Goal is to be forward looking, not reactionary.
3. Possible participants: 1 coach representative from North section LSC, 1 coach representative from south section LSC, 1 coach representative from east section LSC, 1 official, 1 non-athlete zone officer, and 2 athletes.

If interested in being on Task Force – Sent Bob/Jack email by April 19th.

ii. Central Zone Senior Meet

Teams from CZ have requested to attend Southern Zone meet. Needed variance from USA Swimming to allow. Historical information...removed from CZ meet approximately 2010. 2014 was last time Senior meet was held. Qualifying times were slightly faster than current Futures cuts.

1. Should we have a Senior Zone Meet?
2. If yes, what should the meet look like?
3. Possible participants: 1 coach representative from North section LSC, 1 coach representative from south section LSC, 1 coach representative from east section LSC, 1 official, 1 non-athlete zone officer, and 2 athletes.

In the past this was a TEAM travel meet.

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g. Other officers

h. Staff Report

Coach Community - <https://www.usaswimming.org/coaches-leaders/coaches/coaches-community>

Gen Chair Resources & Education Program (GCREP) - General Chair Resources and Education

Program (GCREP) Online Workshop, scheduled for April 20, 2024, Time: 7:30 – 10:30 AM PT. [Click here to join the meeting](#)

Adjourn 10:49AM

Next Meeting: Thursday, May 9th, 2024