



Central Zone General Chairs Call ~ Thursday, November 9th – 11:00AM ET/10:00AM CT

Notes from last time: [2023-10-12 Central Zone Gen Chair Meeting Agenda with notes.docx](#)

1. Welcome! Jack called meeting to order @ 10:00AM

2. Roll Call

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

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

3. Reports from LSCs

Discussion topics: How are 2024 registrations going?

Wisconsin – because of bulk renewal many registrations are delayed

Bulk vs individual – mixed responses from teams

#s do seem lower as compared to the same time frame in past years.

Jay commented that this is typical – Help from CO Springs will be VERY limited from 12/15-12/31. Do NOT wait!!

Predictability of #s for budgeting ... necessary change but does cause some concern.

Problems that LSCs are seeing:

Renewing expired memberships

Login vs Member Record

Ticket System – LSC vs USA Swimming → Duplication of efforts

Messaging on the site is better but mixed messages are confusing for parents.

Is there something that your LSC is doing well this fall you would like to share?

MV – Officials Campaign – “We Can’t do this Forever” 48 new officials for 2024

Shirts/Name Badges once fully certified

Regional Officials – reaching out to Head Coaches and Officials Coordinators to run clinics for teams

Announcement:

Tom Lombardo – Mike Repko (IA) will be Meet Referee for CZ Open Water Championships

Comments:

Winter Juniors - #s seem to be lower at both sites – November 28th is entry deadline

US Open - #s are much higher

4. Reports from Officers

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

i. [Update contact information after fall LSC House of Delegates](#)

Request has been made to USA Swimming to allow Zone Directors to have access to LSC Contacts

ii. Working to update Zone bid form.

iii. Working to build a Zone Google account and obtain a Zoom account.

b. Athletes Report

i. N/A- See CZ Business Meeting Report

c. 2024 Central Zone Governance Plan

i. No spring workshop – Plan to conduct elections and meet bidding at the fall combined ABM/workshop.

d. Other officers – Steve Marchitelli

Tracey Garrett – Meet Referee for IA City Sectional / Curtis Meyer – Meet Referee for Columbia, MO

Ask your officials chair to reach out to Steve with suggestions!

e. Staff Report

11-14 Coach Network – Reach out to Bernie with questions. Share with your LSC

<https://www.usaswimming.org/event/2023/11/14/default-calendar/11-14-coaching-network-beyond-the-back-forth>

Next Meeting: No December Meeting - enjoy the holidays! Thursday, January 11th, 2024 - 11:00 AM ET/10:00 AM CT
Adjourn at 10:35AM