



Wisconsin Swimming Governance Committee HOD/BOD Report
Minutes from October 6, 2024

- I. Call to order at 1832.
- II. Members Present: Matthew Baumann (Athlete Rep), Rick Potter, Kim Stoll, George Geanon, Kim O'Shea (LSC Governance Consultant), Angela Monty (Managing Director).
Members Absent: Ryan Geier.
- III. Consent agenda approval of 9/8/2024 committee meeting minutes.
- IV. Old Business
 - A. 2025 Election Update
 - i. Status as of July 2024

Position	Current Holder	Eligible for Second Term	Seeking Second Term (as of 7/2024)	Seeking First Full Term
General Chair	Dan Wohl (UN)	Yes	Yes	
Finance Vice Chair	Emma Jewell (UN) (Completing a vacated term)	----	----	Yes
Age Group Co-Vice Chairs	Jacob Johnson (BAC) Michael White (STORM)	Yes Yes	Yes Yes	
Officials Chair */**	Mike Melloch (UN)	Yes	Yes	
Secretary *	Jim Lohmeier (MAC)	Yes	No	
Operational Risk Chair	Gary Michalak (WEST)	Yes	Yes	
Safe Sport Chair **	Mona Arvinen-Barrow (SHOR)	Yes	Unsure/Possible Sabbatical	
Coach Reps***				
Athlete Reps***				

*No Term Limits

** Appointed

*** Elected by their constituents at the Annual HOD Meeting

- ii. Re-pole position holders on their intentions in the Fall.
- iii. Begin search for Secretary candidates.
- iv. Two BOD position holders have relocated, and positions filled by General Chair appointment:
 - a. Senior Vice-Chair: Melissa Springer relocated; Shane Ryan (MAC) appointed. Will be eligible for election to first full 2-year term in 2026.
 - b. Coach Rep: Dave Dorak relocated; Megan Oberstadt (ASC) appointed. Will be eligible for a full 2-year term in 2025.

- B. Strategic Planning Process – No update. Will resume the LSC strategic planning process after publication of USA Swimming’s next Quad Strategic Plan in 2025.
- C. Concept of Wisconsin Swimming, Inc, developing an aquatics center
 - i. Several articles distributed to committee members (from Total Aquatic Programming, LLC, consultant engaged by USA Swimming) regarding building, programming and managing an aquatics facility.
 - ii. Discuss articles at the November Governance Committee meeting to determine the approach to a possible BOD presentation.
- D. Coaching shortage within WISI – No update currently. Committee chair to discuss next steps with Michael White.
- E. Certified Meet Marshal Update – Development underway. No update currently.
- F. LSC proposal forms
 - i. Policy/Procedure and Rules request.
 - ii. Meeting agenda item request.
 - iii. Presented at the 9/8/2024 committee meeting, with approval to proceed with development from Dan Wohl, General Chair.
 - iv. Review with LSC Managing Director.

V. New Business

- A. Review of current committee member term expirations.
 - i. Schedule for reappointment/replacement:
 - a. George Geanon (2026)
 - b. Ryan Geier (2027)
 - c. Rick Potter (2028)
 - d. Kim Stoll (2025); will not seek re-appointment at this time.
 - ii. Election of Governance Committee Chair: George Geanon re-elected.
- B. Review of 2024 USA Swimming Annual Business Meeting information.
 - i. Reviewed approved legislation:
 - a. Composition of USA Swimming HOD
 - b. Increase in club registration fee
 - c. Rulebook changes.
 - ii. USA Swimming leadership changes. Review CEO scorecard documents used by USA Swimming CEO search committee.
 - iii. Revitalize club development programming – many new clubs fold 2-3 years after formation.
 - a. Increase club development travel.
 - b. Update Club Leadership and Business Management School modules.
 - c. Enhance current offerings.
 - d. Grow new club programming.

iv. Briefly discussed Block Party Meet program.

C. USA Swimming Junior Official Program

- i. Effect September 1, 2024. Mike Mellock, Officials Chair, to provide information soon.
- ii. To participate, the LSC must choose to recognize the category of Jr Official.
- iii. Program highlights:
 - a. Must be 16-17 years old.
 - b. Must be a registered member, with no additional cost if already registered as an athlete.
 - c. Sessions are limited to 12&under sessions, where the Official did not also compete.
 - d. Each Jr Official must be paired with a registered Official (1:1).
- iv. Training required:
 - i. Same as adult Officials.
 - ii. Safe Sport for Youth Athletes (replaces APT training until age 18).
 - iii. Concussion Training.
 - iv. No background check.

VI. Next Meetings:

- i. November 3 (end of daylight-saving time, clocks fall back one hour).
- ii. December 8

VII. Adjournment at 2015.

Respectfully submitted,
George Geanon, Chair
10/10/2024