

**Middle Atlantic Swimming LSC
Age Group Committee
Meeting #1 Minutes**

Meeting Date: Thursday, December 28 2023

Meeting Time: 7:30-8:18 pm

Meeting Location: Age Group Committee Meeting was held via Zoom.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89850068009?pwd=MVNzUFR2ZUhhYm9lc0pYUjJHVDQxdz09>

Present at Meeting: Michelle Spooner (Age Group Chair), Mike Seip, Ashley Suchecki, Brian Elko, Lou Williams.

This is the first official meeting of the new iteration of Middle Atlantic Age Group Committee and was called to order at 7:30 pm on Thursday, December 28 by Age Group Committee Chair, Michelle Spooner.

I. Approval of Agenda

The Agenda for the meeting was distributed to committee members and approved.

II. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes

As this was the first meeting of this committee, there were not previous meeting minutes to review or approve.

III. Old Business

- **Junior and Silver Champs**

- Committee members reminded to keep track of observations from this year's MA Championship series to help guide qualifying time and meet organization decisions for the future.
- Committee members also reminded that the release of the 2024 Summer LC Championship meets may require some action from the committee as sites and meet details are ironed out.

IV. New Business

- **Conflict of Interest Statement**

- Middle Atlantic "Conflict of Interest" Statement was distributed to Committee members and read during meeting.

- **Secretary**

- Lou Williams accepted position of MA Age Group Committee secretary moving forward.

- **Revitalization of the George Breen Age Group Camp**

- Ashley Suchecki is checking on availability of Suburban Swim Club on Saturday April 20, 2024. SSC is willing to host but date and time needs confirmed. Also checking on a high and low number of participants SSC can safely accommodate.
- Mike Seip-Age Group Camp is already budgeted for \$5,000 by MA.
- Brian Elko-How camp has run in the past and vision for the future.

- 1-2 Former MA swimmer Olympians (Kelsey Worrell, Tom Wilkens, Kristy Kowal, Reece Whitley)
 - Schedule swimming sessions around Olympian talks as those talks are the most important interaction the kids have.
 - 2 swimming sessions and two non-swimming sessions (talks with Olympians)
 - End Camp with something fun (test set with prizes)
 - Arrive 8-9 am; Start 9 am; End 4 pm
 - Meals—Continental Breakfast and Lunch
 - Previously offered Clinic Caps, T-Shirts and kickboards
- Committee settled on making a first communication to both Maddy Crippen and Audrey Derivaux to see if they would be open to being guest clinicians in 2024.
- To consider...
 - Application process run through MA website? Previously done through mail.
 - Who is the target? Who can apply?
 - Can a Tri-State Cup participant also participate in the AG Camp? Want to “spread the wealth.”
 - Someone to talk about George Breen’s impact?
 - Goal would be end of January to announce Camp and application process details.
 - Skype in other MA athletes prepping for Olympic Trials?
 - Need to get T-shirt or other printing necessities ordered quickly. Anything MA branded must be Speedo. Kampus Klothes Vendor?
- **Announcement of Date of Next Meeting**
 - Mike Seip suggested setting regular meeting day and time to establish consistency moving forward.
 - AG committee is waiting on availability of age group swimmers on committee to determine consistent meeting date. AG committee wants to make sure meeting dates moving forward allow for participation from all members. Shelly and Brian are reaching out to their age group committee athletes to confirm the most convenient day and time for those athletes.
 - Next Meeting date will be communicated once AG athletes respond.

V. Meeting was adjourned by Age Group Chair Michelle Spooner at 8:18 pm