

## Call to Order

- The meeting was called to order at 9:17pm

## Roll Call

	Position	Incumbent	Present	Absent
1	General Chair	Jim Bowen	X	
2	Administrative Vice-Chair	Adam Zaczkowski	X	
3	Senior Vice-Chair	Ryan Callan	X	
4	Co-Age Age Group Vice-Chair	Joanne Butters		X
	Co-Age Age Group Vice-Chair	Christine Regelsberger		X
5	Finance Vice-Chair	John Kingston		X
6	Secretary	Martha Keating		X
7	Treasurer	Steve Snyder	X	
8	Senior Coach Representative	William Chidsey	X	
9	Junior Coach Representative	Becky Sapio	X	
10	Senior Athlete Representative	Nick Olson	X	
11	Junior Athlete Representative	Nick Burdo	X	
12	Safety Committee Chair	Chris Torell		X
	Technical Planning Committee Chair	William Chidsey		
	Membership/Registration Coordinator	Jim Bowen		
13	General Chairman Appointment - 1	Bob Matlack		X
14	General Chairman Appointment - 2	Jim Stromski	X	
15	General Chairman Appointment - 3	Greg Danner	X	
16	General Chairman Appointment - 4	Shawn Parkhurst		X
	General Chairman Appointment - 5	Vacant		
17	Webmaster	Eric Stimson	X	
	Immediate Past General Chair	Marci Callan	X	
	General Chair Elect	Eric Lind	X	
	Secretary Elect	Sara Smith	X	
	Junior Coach Representative Elect	Chris Musshafen		X
	Junior Athlete Representative Elect	Jared Kettinger	X	
	Guest	Mike Switalski	X	

## Reading, correction and adoption of May 21, 2015 minutes

- A motion was made by Eric Stimson and seconded by Adam Zaczkowski to accept the minutes as currently posted on the Niagara web site. The amended minutes were approved.

## Advice and Consent to Appointments

- None**

## Unfinished business

- Tabled Motion - Athlete Travel Reimbursement Criteria**

It was agreed to remove from the table the motion from the May BOD meeting, and consider the 'Travel Reimbursement Criteria and Eligibility Requirements' document and associated change to the Niagara Policies & Procedures which were distributed prior to this meeting.

A motion to amend the 'Travel Reimbursement Criteria and Eligibility Requirements' document to have the Senior Power Point and the Niagara Classic meets receive two (2) participation points per event was made by Ryan Callan and seconded by Becky Sapio. This motion was defeated.

## Niagara LSC Board of Directors Meeting Minutes for June 18, 2015

A second motion to amend the 'Travel Reimbursement Criteria and Eligibility Requirements' document to have the Niagara Classic meet receive two (2) participation points per event was made by William Chidsey and seconded by Jim Stromski. This motion was approved.

- **Tabled Motion - Fines**

It was agreed to remove from the table the motion from the May BOD meeting, and consider changes to §202.2.10 of the Niagara Policies & Procedures which were distributed prior to this meeting. This motion was approved.

### New business

- **Request from Fairport Area Swim Team to Issue Advance Stipend for the Niagara Classic**

A motion was made by Jim Stromski and seconded by Becky Sapio to issue the Fairport Area Swim Team the \$2,000.00 meet stipend for the Niagara Classic in advance of the meet.

A motion to amend was made and seconded to have the \$2,000.00 paid directly to Erie Community College as part of the required facility deposit upon submission to the treasurer of a reimbursement voucher with accompanying ECC invoice. This motion to amend was approved.

A motion to table was made by Jim Bowen to allow the meet host time to submit to the BOD a preliminary income/expense report prior to a vote on the motion. There was no second to the motion to table.

Eric Lind offered suggestions for an additional motion to amend, but none was forthcoming.

After further discussion, the amended motion was approved.

- **2015 United States Aquatic Sports Annual Convention Attendees**

Position	Attendee	Will Attend
General Chair	Eric Lind	Yes
Admin Vice Chair	Adam Zaczkowski	Yes
Age Group Vice Chair	Joanne Butters	?
Age Group Vice Chair	Christine Regelsberger	Yes
Senior Vice Chair	Vacant	N/A
Sr. Athlete Rep.	Nick Burdo	Yes
Sr. Coach Rep	Becky Sapio	?
Registrar	Eric Stimson	Yes
Jr. Athlete Rep	Jared Kettinger	Yes
Officials Chair	Jim Stromski	Yes
Diversity Chair	Mike Switalski	Yes
Tech Planning Chair	Will Chidsey	?
Tech Planning Chair	Ryan Callan	?
Immediate Past GC	Jim Bowen	Yes

Becky will let Jim Bowen know within a few weeks if she will be able to attend. Likewise, Will and Ryan will discuss and let Jim Bowen know within a few weeks who will be able to attend.

- **Niagara Classic Funding**

A motion was made by Will Chidsey and seconded to have the Niagara LSC cover any financial loss incurred by the meet host(s) upon submission of all required reports and copies of all

invoices, receipts, etc. to support the Meet Financial Summary report. This motion was approved with one voting 'no' and one abstention.

### Reports of officers, committees and coordinators

- General Chair

The Niagara LSC is one of 21 LSCs invited to participate in the Mighty-Mid LSC Leadership Workshop sponsored by USA Swimming in Colorado Springs on November 14, 2015. Each Mighty-Mid LSC is invited to send two representatives to the November workshop. USA Swimming will pay all room and board for two LSC representatives. In addition, USA Swimming will reimburse the LSC \$200 toward the travel expenses of each of two LSC representatives. See attached.

- Technical Planning Chair

The next meeting is being scheduled to take place during the LSC Championships in Buffalo.

- Membership Chair

There are currently 5,681 athletes, 76 clubs and 3 organizations registered for 2015. Net registration income stands at \$60,700.00 or \$6,375.00 below budget with a little more than two months remaining in the fiscal year. Fines collected to date amount to \$1,300.00

### Adjournment

- The meeting was adjourned at 10:45 pm.

**Athlete Travel Reimbursement.**

**Sectional Championships, National Championships and Other Trials**

**Class Meets** – The Niagara LSC shall, upon proper application, pay a travel allowance in the amount specified below, to a member club in good standing for each athlete who qualifies for, enters and competes in an individual event at one of the following meets.

Applications must be submitted on the form prescribed by the Senior Vice Chair, including all required supporting documentation.

Speedo Sectional Championships	\$200.00
Eastern Zone Senior LC Championships	\$200.00
Futures Championships	\$300.00
Speedo Junior Nationals	\$400.00
NCSA Junior Nationals	\$400.00
Arena Pro Swim Series	\$400.00
US Open	\$450.00
National Championships	\$500.00
Olympic Trials (first event swum)	\$750.00
Each subsequent day an event is swum	\$250.00



# Niagara Swimming

## Travel Reimbursement Criteria and Eligibility Requirements

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Carefully read all requirements and criteria before you attend the meet for which you want to receive reimbursement. If you have any questions or need clarification, please contact the [Senior Vice Chair](#) before you go!

### **Reimbursement Meet**

- To be eligible for reimbursement the athlete must have competed in at least one individual event at the meet for which reimbursement is being requested.
- Time trial events, relays or relay only athletes or are not eligible for reimbursement.

### **Niagara LSC Club Membership Requirements:**

- The athlete must be a currently registered club member of the Niagara LSC for at least one year prior to the meet for which reimbursement is being requesting. Reimbursement will be governed as follows:
  - ◆ After the 1<sup>st</sup> year of club membership  $\frac{1}{3}$  of the full reimbursement.
  - ◆ After the 2<sup>nd</sup> year of club membership  $\frac{2}{3}$  of the full reimbursement.
  - ◆ After the 3<sup>rd</sup> year of club membership full reimbursement.
- Unattached athletes are not eligible for reimbursement unless they are in the process of transferring from one Niagara LSC club to another Niagara LSC club.

### **Niagara LSC Meet Participation Requirements:**

- There is no limit on the number of reimbursements an athlete may receive during the fiscal year, September 1<sup>st</sup> through August 31<sup>st</sup>.
- The first reimbursement request during the fiscal year requires an athlete to obtain twelve (12) participation points within the twelve (12) months immediately preceding the first day of the meet for which reimbursement is being requested.
- The second and each subsequent reimbursement request during the fiscal year requires an athlete to obtain an additional six (6) participation points within the twelve (12) months immediately preceding the first day of the meet for which reimbursement is being requested.
- One participation (1) point is earned for every event from a Niagara LSC sanctioned invitational meet where the athlete has achieved an official time recorded in the SWIMS national database.
- Two participation (2) points are earned for every event from a Niagara LSC Championship meet or the Niagara Classic where the athlete has achieved an official time recorded in the SWIMS national database.
- Events and their participation point(s) can only be used once. New events and their participation point(s) are required for subsequent reimbursement requests.
- Events swum as part of a relay, a time trial or any event at closed meets, swim league meets, approved meets or observed meets cannot be used to obtain participation points.
- Disqualifications, scratches or no shows from events will not be awarded participation points.
- A prelim/final event is considered as one (1) event, with official times in both the prelim and final, unless the athlete has not qualified for finals.



# Niagara Swimming

## Travel Reimbursement Criteria and Eligibility Requirements

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### **Travel Reimbursement Application Form Instructions:**

- Reimbursements will be made to the club by a check made payable to the club.
- One [1] application is to be submitted by the club for each meet that is being applied for, and include all athletes from that club.
- The travel reimbursement application must be post marked within thirty (30) days from the conclusion of the meet being applied for.
- Incomplete travel reimbursement applications will not be accepted.
- No registered or certified mail.
- Proof of times from the SWIMS database for each swimmer's participation events must be sent with the travel reimbursement application form.
- Proof of competition for each swimmer in the meet being applied for must be sent with the travel reimbursement application form.

### **How to obtain times from the SWIMS database:**

1. Open your web browser and go to [www.usaswimming.org](http://www.usaswimming.org)
2. Select the "Times Search" link under the "Times" menu at the top of the page.
3. Select "Individual Times Search".
4. Enter the athlete's last and first names.
5. Enter the "Date Range" that is needed.  
Start Date = first day of reimbursement meet less one (1) year.  
End Date = last day of reimbursement meet.
6. Select "All Events".
7. Press the "Search" button.
8. Print those pages and send them with the reimbursement application form.
9. You will need to do this for each athlete listed on the reimbursement application form.
10. Highlight the events for each participation point.
11. Highlight one individual event swum at the "reimbursement" meet.



# Niagara Swimming

## Travel Reimbursement Criteria and Eligibility Requirements

### Travel Reimbursement Application Form

Club Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Head Coach: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Remit Check to: \_\_\_\_\_

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Meet Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

	Athlete Name	Reimbursement		
		1/3	2/3	Full
1.	_____	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
2.	_____	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
3.	_____	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
4.	_____	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
5.	_____	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
6.	_____	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
7.	_____	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
8.	_____	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
9.	_____	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
10.	_____	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

All swimmers have met Niagara LSC residency criteria and event participation requirements.  
 Proof of times from the SWIMS database for each swimmer's participation events is attached.  
 Proof of competition for each swimmer in the meet being applied for is attached.

Head Coach Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Club Representative Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Mail to: Ryan Callan  
 172 Midvale Dr  
 Fairport, NY 14450

Approval: \_\_\_\_\_

*Effective Date: September 1, 2015*  
*Last Revision: June 18, 2015*

- A. Within thirty (30) days after the event the host organization shall file:
  - (1) The **Meet Report** using the form prescribed by the Administrative Vice Chairman, accompanied by payment of the surcharges on entry fees for the event.
  - (2) The **Meet Financial Summary** using the form prescribed by the Administrative Vice Chairman. Estimates in lieu of actuals are permissible in order to comply with the filing deadline.
  - (3) The **Officials Report** using the form prescribed by the Officials Chair.
- B. Failure by the host organization to file reports within thirty (30) days after the event will result in a fine of \$50 for each late report and suspension of any sanctions issued to the host organization for future meets until such time as the reports are submitted and the fine paid.
- C. As soon as practicable after the event, the host organization shall submit the complete meet results as a Hy-Tek Meet Manager back-up file or equivalent to the Top Ten Coordinator for posting on Niagara LSC's website.



**James L. Bowen Jr**

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**From:** Denise MacDonald <dmacdonald@usaswimming.org>  
**Sent:** Friday, May 29, 2015 5:46 PM  
**To:** Denise MacDonald  
**Cc:** Mariejo Truex; Arlenemcd@aol.com; leap.grosser@sbcglobal.net  
**Subject:** USA Swimming Mighty Mid-Size LSC Workshop

Greetings, LSC Leaders!

Your LSC is one of 21 LSCs invited to participate in the *Mighty-Mid* LSC Leadership Workshop sponsored by USA Swimming in Colorado Springs on November 14, 2015. You might be aware that in the Fall of 2013, USA Swimming hosted a similar workshop (*The Mighty 2500*) for LSCs with an athlete membership of 2,500 swimmers or less.

The main focus of this year's workshop is to bring together leaders from LSCs that have a year-round athlete membership between 2,500 and 7,000 to discuss common challenges and to provide the opportunity for collaboration in the construction of potential solutions to those challenges. Each *Mighty-Mid* LSC is invited to send two representatives to the November workshop. We ask that your two representatives be folks who hold a leadership position in your LSC; it would be great to include a seasoned leader and an up-and-coming leader or coach and a non coach. During the summer, we anticipate further communication with those identified representatives from each LSC, so please encourage your LSC to select its two attendees ASAP and send their names and email addresses to me at [mtruex@usaswimming.org](mailto:mtruex@usaswimming.org)

The workshop will be on Saturday, November 14, at the Olympic Training Center in Colorado Spring from 8 AM until 6 PM. There is no Friday PM or Sunday AM session so that you can travel late Friday and early Sunday if that is convenient for you. USA Swimming will pay all room and board for your two LSC representatives. In addition, USA Swimming will reimburse the LSC \$200 toward the travel expenses of each of two LSC representatives.

As a Board member of one of the *Mighty-Mid* LSCs, your input is needed in advance of the workshop. To maximize the experience for all participating LSCs, we ask that you please take a few minutes to complete a brief online survey. Your responses will assist the LSC Development Committee in the development of the content for the November workshop. The *Mighty-Mid* Survey can be accessed at:

<http://vovici.com/wsb.dll/s/83aeg58440>

Please complete this survey by June 15.

Thank you!

MJ Truex  
Programs and Services Director  
USA Swimming

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	September	October	November	December	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	Total
Athlete - New	80	594	210	87	109	42	45	92	116	34	0	0	1,409
Athlete - Renew	355	1,107	611	1,183	383	116	41	52	74	27	0	0	3,949
Outreach - New	10	19	35	11	6	1	1	5	12	5	0	0	105
Outreach - Renew	11	52	42	34	7	5	2	5	5	0	0	0	163
Seasonal - New	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	11	18	2	0	0	31
Seasonal - Renew	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	16	6	0	0	24
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	September	October	November	December	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August
2015	456	2,228	3,126	4,441	4,946	5,110	5,199	5,366	5,607	5,681	5,681	5,681
2014	194	2,608	3,601	4,625	5,192	5,371	5,495	5,642	5,987	6,077	6,251	6,283
2013	364	2,888	3,913	4,797	5,298	5,559	5,670	5,825	6,199	6,306	6,461	6,478
2012	1	2,256	3,203	4,199	4,689	4,935	5,091	5,199	5,393	5,602	5,715	5,737
2011	112	2,025	3,280	4,064	4,915	5,121	5,244	5,323	5,513	5,701	5,828	5,828
2010	255	2,413	3,558	4,567	5,190	5,429	5,522	5,631	5,913	6,072	6,219	6,279
2009	208	2,650	3,740	4,863	5,303	5,508	5,615	5,759	6,204	6,374	6,499	6,543
2008	132	2,285	3,418	4,310	5,006	5,244	5,349	5,523	5,811	5,863	6,064	6,106
2007	148	1,931	3,064	4,041	4,685	4,816	4,974	5,034	5,425	5,590	5,666	5,731
2006	39	1,868	3,264	4,303	4,862	5,084	5,200	5,250	5,554	5,700	5,844	5,914
2005	1	1,753	3,485	4,485	4,907	5,364	5,510	5,621	5,913	6,024	6,120	6,120
2004	88	1,050	2,475	3,821	4,739	5,009	5,192	5,265	5,513	5,672	5,848	5,884

	September	October	November	December	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August
2014	135%	-15%	-13%	-4%	-5%	-5%	-5%	-5%	-6%	-7%	-9%	-10%
2013	-47%	-10%	-8%	-4%	-2%	-3%	-3%	-3%	-3%	-4%	-3%	-3%
2012	19300%	16%	12%	10%	11%	9%	8%	9%	11%	8%	9%	10%
2011	73%	29%	10%	14%	6%	5%	5%	6%	9%	7%	7%	8%
2010	-24%	8%	1%	1%	0%	-1%	0%	0%	1%	0%	1%	0%
2009	-7%	-2%	-4%	-5%	-2%	-2%	-2%	-2%	-3%	-5%	-4%	-4%
2008	47%	14%	5%	7%	4%	2%	3%	2%	3%	4%	3%	3%
2007	31%	35%	18%	14%	11%	12%	10%	12%	10%	9%	10%	10%
2006	397%	40%	10%	7%	7%	6%	6%	7%	8%	7%	7%	6%
2005	19300%	49%	3%	3%	6%	0%	0%	0%	1%	1%	2%	3%
2004	120%	148%	45%	21%	10%	7%	6%	7%	9%	7%	7%	7%

### Cumulative Athlete Registrations by Month

