

## Call to Order

- The meeting was called to order at 9:03pm

## 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       |        |
|    | Membership/Registration Coordinator | Jim Bowen              |         |        |
| 12 | General Chairman Appointment - 3    | Greg Danner            |         | X      |

## New business

- Niagara SCY Bid Calendar for 2015-2016**

The attached bid calendar was reviewed and discussed by the Executive Board of Directors. An amendment was made to add "HOD Vote" to the FAST alternate proposal to host the Niagara LSC Championships on March 10-13. The amended bid calendar was unanimously approved without any abstentions. It will be posted on the Niagara web site for final approval by the Niagara House of Delegates on May 2<sup>nd</sup>.

## Adjournment

- A motion was made and seconded to adjourn. The motion passed and the meeting was adjourned at 9:18 pm.

## 2015-2016 September-April Calendar

| Date                  | Host        | Region    | Open/Closed |        | Type | Meet/Event Title                                   | Site                      | Meet Director          | email  |
|-----------------------|-------------|-----------|-------------|--------|------|--|---------------------------|------------------------|--|
|                       |             |           | Weekend     |        |      |  |                           |                        |  |
| Sept. 28-Oct. 4, 2015 |             |           | Open        |        |      | United States Aquatic Sports Annual Convention     | Kansas City, Missouri     |                        |  |
| Oct. 5                | GCOM        | Rochester | Open        |        | SCY  | 2015 GCOM Practice Meet                            | MCC                       | Keena Smith            | <a href="mailto:ksmith@mail.naz.edu">ksmith@mail.naz.edu</a>                     |
| Oct. 10               | STAR        | Buffalo   | Open        |        | SCY  | Super STAR Series Meet #1                          | ECC                       | Sherry Benedict        | <a href="mailto:starentries@gmail.com">starentries@gmail.com</a>                 |
| Oct. 11               | NI          |           | Closed      |        |      | Niagara Swimming House of Delegates Meeting        | MCC                       |                        |  |
| Oct. 16-18            | STAR        | Buffalo   | Open        |        | SCY  | Canadian/American Challenge                        | ECC                       | Sherry Benedict        | <a href="mailto:starentries@gmail.com">starentries@gmail.com</a>                 |
| Oct. 17-18            | GCOM        | Rochester | Open        |        | SCY  | 2015 Golden Comets Fall Harvest Invitational       | MCC                       | Keena Smith            | <a href="mailto:ksmith@mail.naz.edu">ksmith@mail.naz.edu</a>                     |
| Oct. 23-25            | TTSC        | Buffalo   | Open        |        | SCY  | TTSC Halloween Swim Meet                           | TOT Aquatic Center        | Tim Bennett            | <a href="mailto:tmbennett1@roadrunner.com">tmbennett1@roadrunner.com</a>         |
| Oct. 24-25            | SDSC        | Rochester | Open        |        | SCY  | Fire in Water                                      | Penfield High School      | Mike Visconte          | <a href="mailto:meets@seadragons.org">meets@seadragons.org</a>                   |
| Oct. 25               | METS        | Syracuse  | Open        |        | SCY  | 2015 Mexico Tiger Sharks                           | Mexico High School        | Amy Clark              | <a href="mailto:jabclark@aol.com">jabclark@aol.com</a>                           |
| Oct. 31               | VICT        | Rochester | Open        |        | SCY  | VICT Halloween Classic                             | Victor High School        | Eric Lind              | <a href="mailto:etlind@aol.com">etlind@aol.com</a>                               |
| Nov. 7                | EAST        | Buffalo   | Open        |        | SCY  | Kiwanis 2015                                       | East Aurora High School   | Mindee Mutty           | <a href="mailto:minmac29@gmail.com">minmac29@gmail.com</a>                       |
| Nov. 8                | HAST        | Rochester | Open        |        | SCY  | 2015 HAST Veteran's Day Memorial Meet              | Hilton Aquatic Center     | Rick Kidder            | <a href="mailto:hastseals@gmail.com">hastseals@gmail.com</a>                     |
| Nov. 13               | PACK        | Rochester | Open        |        | SCY  | 3rd Annual Turkey Splash                           | Mendon High School        | Jeanine Drake/Gina Lau | <a href="mailto:jdrake@rochester.rr.com">jdrake@rochester.rr.com</a>             |
| Nov. 14               | FAST        | Rochester | Open        |        | SCY  | FAST Fall Invite                                   | Fairport High School      | Doug Evans             | <a href="mailto:devans.FAST@gmail.com">devans.FAST@gmail.com</a>                 |
| Nov. 14               | STAR        | Buffalo   | Open        |        | SCY  | Super STAR Series Meet #2                          | ECC                       | Sherry Benedict        | <a href="mailto:starentries@gmail.com">starentries@gmail.com</a>                 |
| Nov. 21               | GRSC        | Rochester | Open        |        | SCY  | Thanksgiving Invitational                          | Spencerport High School   | Jenelle Zona           | <a href="mailto:izona@paychex.com">izona@paychex.com</a>                         |
| Nov. 28               | TWST        | Buffalo   | Open        |        | SCY  | TWST Turkey Splash Open Meet                       | Orchard Park High School  | Jim Ronald             | <a href="mailto:jr12bucs@roadrunner.com">jr12bucs@roadrunner.com</a>             |
| Dec. 2-5              |             |           | Open        |        | SCY  | AT&T Winter National Championships                 | Federal Way, WA           |                        |  |
| Dec. 4-5              | FAST        | Rochester | Open        |        | SCY  | FAST IMX - Senior Meet                             | Fairport High School      | Doug Evans             | <a href="mailto:devans.FAST@gmail.com">devans.FAST@gmail.com</a>                 |
| Dec. 6                | WEBS        | Rochester | Open        |        | SCY  | 30th Annual Pentathalon                            | Webster                   | Russ Ruhland           | <a href="mailto:k2alps@aol.com">k2alps@aol.com</a>                               |
| Dec. 9-12             |             |           | Open        |        | SCY  | Speedo Winter Junior National Championships - East | Atlanta, GA               |                        |  |
| Dec. 10-13            | STAR        | Buffalo   | Open        |        | SCY  | STAR Team Invitational                             | ECC                       | Sherry Benedict        | <a href="mailto:starentries@gmail.com">starentries@gmail.com</a>                 |
| Dec. 11               | PACK        | Rochester | Open        |        | SCY  | 3rd Annual Winter Splash                           | Mendon High School        | Jeanine Drake/Gina Lau | <a href="mailto:jdrake@rochester.rr.com">jdrake@rochester.rr.com</a>             |
| Dec. 18-19            | GCOM        | Rochester | Open        |        | SCY  | 2015 Golden Comets Winter Classic                  | MCC                       | Keena Smith            | <a href="mailto:ksmith@mail.naz.edu">ksmith@mail.naz.edu</a>                     |
| Dec. 19               | STAR        | Buffalo   | Open        |        | SCY  | Super STAR Series Meet #3                          | ECC                       | Sherry Benedict        | <a href="mailto:starentries@gmail.com">starentries@gmail.com</a>                 |
| Dec. 26-27            | TTSC        | Buffalo   | Open        |        | SCY  | Holiday Swim for Time                              | TOT Aquatic Center        | Tim Bennett            | <a href="mailto:tmbennett1@roadrunner.com">tmbennett1@roadrunner.com</a>         |
| Dec. 28               | FAST        | Rochester | Open        |        | SCY  | FAST Winter Invitational                           | Fairport High School      | Doug Evans             | <a href="mailto:devans.FAST@gmail.com">devans.FAST@gmail.com</a>                 |
| Jan. 2-3, 2016        | VICT        | Rochester | Open        |        | SCY  | VICT IMX Challenge                                 | Victor High School        | Eric Lind              | <a href="mailto:etlind@aol.com">etlind@aol.com</a>                               |
| Jan. 9-10             | HHSC/PHNS   | Buffalo   | Open        |        | SCY  | Niagara Regional Qualifier                         | Eden High School          | Mike Nowicki           | <a href="mailto:mike@cheekrays.com">mike@cheekrays.com</a>                       |
| Jan. 9-10             | GCOM        | Rochester | Open        |        | SCY  | Niagara Regional Qualifier                         | MCC                       | Keena Smith            | <a href="mailto:ksmith@mail.naz.edu">ksmith@mail.naz.edu</a>                     |
| Jan. 9-10             |             |           | Open        |        | SCY  | Niagara Regional Qualifier                         |                           |                        |  |
| Jan. 15-16            | FAST        | Rochester | Open        |        | SCY  | Niagara 12 & U IMX Challenge                       | Webster Aquatic Center    | Doug Evans             | <a href="mailto:devans.FAST@gmail.com">devans.FAST@gmail.com</a>                 |
| Jan. 16-17            | FAST        | Rochester | Open        |        | SCY  | Niagara Senior Power Point Meet                    | Webster Aquatic Center    | Doug Evans             | <a href="mailto:devans.FAST@gmail.com">devans.FAST@gmail.com</a>                 |
| Jan. 23               | TWST        | Buffalo   | Open        |        | SCY  | 20th Snowball Meet                                 | Orchard Park High School  | Jim Ronald             | <a href="mailto:jr12bucs@roadrunner.com">jr12bucs@roadrunner.com</a>             |
| Jan. 23               | STAR        | S. Tier   | Open        |        | SCY  | STAR Fire Marshall Invitational                    | Southwestern Elementary   | Anne Smith             | <a href="mailto:aysmith@stny.rr.com">aysmith@stny.rr.com</a>                     |
| Jan. 23-24            | SDSC        | Rochester | Open        |        | SCY  | Snowball Meet                                      | Penfield High School      | Mike Visconte          | <a href="mailto:meets@seadragons.org">meets@seadragons.org</a>                   |
| Jan. 23-24            | OLSC        | Syracuse  | Open        |        | SCY  | 2016 OLSL Invitational                             | Laker Hall - SUNY Oswego  | Cherie Mullen          | <a href="mailto:cmullen@twcny.rr.com">cmullen@twcny.rr.com</a>                   |
| Jan. 29-31            | STAR        | Buffalo   | Open        |        | SCY  | STAR Winter Challenge                              | ECC                       | Sherry Benedict        | <a href="mailto:starentries@gmail.com">starentries@gmail.com</a>                 |
| Jan. 30               | GRSC        | Rochester | Open        |        | SCY  | GRSC Winter Invitational                           | Spencerport High School   | Jenelle Zona           | <a href="mailto:izona@paychex.com">izona@paychex.com</a>                         |
| HOD VOTE              | Feb. 5-7    | GOST      | S. Tier     | Closed | SCY  | Niagara Championship Qualifier                     | Owego Free Academy        | Amy Foster             | <a href="mailto:afoster@stny.rr.com">afoster@stny.rr.com</a>                     |
| HOD VOTE              | Feb. 5-7    | UNAC      | S. Tier     | Closed | SCY  | Niagara Championship Qualifier                     | Maine-Endwell Senior High | Peter Burnett          | <a href="mailto:pburnett@stny.rr.com">pburnett@stny.rr.com</a>                   |
| Feb. 5-7              | HAST        | Rochester | Closed      |        | SCY  | Niagara Championship Qualifier                     | Hilton Aquatic Center     | Rick Kidder            | <a href="mailto:hastseals@gmail.com">hastseals@gmail.com</a>                     |
| Feb. 5-7              | TTSC        | Buffalo   | Closed      |        | SCY  | Niagara Championship Qualifier                     | TOT Aquatic Center        | Tim Bennett            | <a href="mailto:tmbennett1@roadrunner.com">tmbennett1@roadrunner.com</a>         |
| Feb. 13               | VICT        | Rochester | Open        |        | SCY  | VICT Winter Classic                                | Victor High School        | Eric Lind              | <a href="mailto:etlind@aol.com">etlind@aol.com</a>                               |
| Feb. 20               | CLSC        | Buffalo   | Open        |        | SCY  | Clarence Dog Days of Winter                        | Clarence High School      | Jamie Johnson          | <a href="mailto:clarencelearntoswim@gmail.com">clarencelearntoswim@gmail.com</a> |
| Feb. 20               | HAST        | Rochester | Open        |        | SCY  | Winter Warrior Invitational                        | Hilton Aquatic Center     | Rick Kidder            | <a href="mailto:hastseals@gmail.com">hastseals@gmail.com</a>                     |
| Feb. 26-28            |             |           | Closed      |        | SCY  | Niagara 14&U Age Group Championships               |                           |                        |  |
| HOD VOTE              | March 5-6   | NISL      | Buffalo     | Open   | SCY  | Niagara Swim League Championships                  | Fredonia State Natatorium | Mike Nowicki           | <a href="mailto:mike@cheekrays.com">mike@cheekrays.com</a>                       |
| HOD VOTE              | March 5-6   | RAYS      | Buffalo     | Open   | SCY  | 20th Annual Shamrock Open Meet                     | Cheektowaga High School   | Frank Jones            | <a href="mailto:frankjones35@yahoo.com">frankjones35@yahoo.com</a>               |
| March 5-6             | METS        | Syracuse  | Open        |        | SCY  | 2016 Mexico Tiger Sharks                           | Mexico High School        | Amy Clark              | <a href="mailto:jabclark@aol.com">jabclark@aol.com</a>                           |
| March 10-13           |             |           | Closed      |        | SCY  | Niagara Senior Championships                       |                           |                        |  |
| Alternate Proposal    | March 10-13 | FAST      | Rochester   | Open   | SCY  | 2016 Niagara LSC Championships (combined ages)     | Webster Aquatic Center    | Doug Evans             | <a href="mailto:devans.FAST@gmail.com">devans.FAST@gmail.com</a>                 |
| March 24-27           |             |           | Open        |        | LCM  | Eastern Zone North/South LC Sectional Championship | TBD                       |                        |  |
| March 31 - April 2    |             |           | Open        |        | SCY  | Eastern Zone Age Group Championship                | TBD                       |                        |  |
| March 31 - April 3    |             |           | Open        |        | SCY  | Super Sectionals Short Course                      | TBD                       |                        |  |
| April 9-10            | HAST        | Rochester | Open        |        | SCY  | IMX Madness  | Hilton Aquatic Center     | Rick Kidder            | <a href="mailto:hastseals@gmail.com">hastseals@gmail.com</a>                     |
| April 16              | GCOM        | Rochester | Open        |        | SCY  | 2016 GCOM Super Hero Showdown                      | MCC                       | Keena Smith            | <a href="mailto:ksmith@mail.naz.edu">ksmith@mail.naz.edu</a>                     |

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Dates in Green are National level meets.

Dates in Blue are Eastern Zone meets.

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### SEPTEMBER - 2015

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### OCTOBER - 2015

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### NOVEMBER - 2015

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### DECEMBER - 2015

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### JANUARY - 2016

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### FEBRUARY - 2016

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### MARCH - 2016

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### APRIL - 2016

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Dates in **Yellow** are closed dates for Niagara LSC meets (no sanctions for invitational or league meets).

Dates in **Green** are National level meets.

Dates in **Red** are Eastern Zone meets.

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### Calendar at a Glance

Niagara Meets - all cuts use single-age standards except the NI Championships

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|--|---|--|
| September 28, 2015<br>October 4, 2015  | United States Aquatic Sports<br>Annual Convention | Kansas City, Missouri  |
| October 11, 2015                       | Niagara Swimming House of Delegates<br>Meeting    | Closed Date  |
| December 2 – 5, 2015                   | AT&T Winter National Championships                | SCY<br>Federal Way, WA   |
| December 9-12, 2015                    | Speedo Winter Junior National<br>Championships    | SCY<br>TBD   |
| Any Weekend                            | Niagara LC Super Circuit                          | <p><b>Open Bids</b><br/>Up to two meet locations accepted<br/>(This is <u>NOT</u> a closed date Niagara meet)</p> <p>This will be provided as a Winter LCM opportunity. Meet will feature 1-2 sessions in a single day format.</p> <p>50M Long Course facility required.<br/>\$1,500 LSC assistance for facility costs.</p> <p><b>Cuts:</b> None</p>   |
| Suggested Date:<br>January 9-10, 2016  | Niagara Regional Qualifier                        | <p><b>Open Bids</b><br/>Maximum of Three Host Sites<br/>(This is <u>NOT</u> a closed date Niagara meet)</p> <p>6-12 racing lanes in 1 or 2 courses<br/>Timed Finals format<br/>Multi-age heats, awards by single age</p> <p>\$500 LSC assistance for facility costs.</p> <p><b>Cuts:</b> Slower than <b>Niagara Championship Qualifier</b> times. NT entries accepted.</p>                             |
| Suggested Date:<br>January 22-23, 2016 | Niagara 12 & U IMX Challenge                      | <p><b>Open Bids</b><br/>Single Host Site<br/>(This is <u>NOT</u> a closed date Niagara meet)</p> <p>6-10 lane course<br/>2-session meet<br/>Focus on IMX competition and completion<br/>Only 12 &amp; U IMX events to be offered<br/>In addition to individual awards, IMX completion will be recognized</p> <p>\$1,000 LSC assistance for facility costs.</p> <p><b>Cuts:</b> None, NT's accepted</p> |

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| <p>Suggested Date:<br/>January 23-24, 2016</p> | <p>Niagara Senior Power Point Meet</p>          | <p><b>Open Bids</b><br/>Single Host Site<br/>(This is <u>NOT</u> a closed date Niagara meet)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 6-10 racing lanes, with warm up/warm down access.</li> <li>• 3-session, Timed Final meet</li> </ul> <p>\$1,000 LSC assistance for facility costs.</p> <p><b>Cuts:</b> TBA</p>  |
| <p>February 5-7, 2016</p>                      | <p>Niagara Championship Qualifier</p>           | <p><b>Open Bids</b><br/>Maximum of three Host Sites – <b>Closed Weekend</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Championship format</li> <li>• Multi-age prelim &amp; final</li> <li>• Top 12-16 (depending on course) in all P/F events will be invited back for final events.</li> </ul> <p>\$1,000 LSC assistance for facility costs.</p> <p><b>Cuts:</b> Faster than <b>Niagara Championship Qualifier</b> times, slower than <b>Niagara Championship</b> times</p> |
| <p>February 26-28, 2016</p>                    | <p>Niagara 14&amp;U Age Group Championships</p> | <p><b>Open Bids</b><br/>Single Host Site – <b>Closed Weekend</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Minimum 8 lanes for Prelims</li> <li>• Championship format meet.</li> <li>• 3 day meet (Subject to change by TP)</li> <li>• P/F competition for all swimmers.</li> <li>• Scoring and awards to be determined by Technical Planning.</li> </ul> <p>\$2,000 LSC assistance for facility costs.</p> <p><b>Cuts:</b> TBA</p>   |
| <p>March 10-13, 2016</p>                       | <p>Niagara Senior Championships</p>             | <p><b>Open Bids</b><br/>Single Host Site – <b>Closed Weekend</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Minimum 8 lanes for Prelims</li> <li>• Open, Championship format meet; P/F for all.</li> <li>• 3.5 day meet (Subject to change by TP)</li> <li>• Scoring and awards to be determined by Technical Planning.</li> </ul> <p>\$2,000 LSC assistance for facility costs.</p> <p><b>Cuts:</b> TBA</p>   |

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|--|---|--------------|
| March 17-20, 2016<br>(Dates are estimated) | Eastern Zone Speedo Sectional<br>Championship | Location TBD |
| March 25-27, 2016<br>(Dates are estimated) | Eastern Zone Age Group<br>Championship        | Location TBD |

### Niagara Meet Descriptions

**Niagara LSC Super Circuit Meet (LCM):** This Niagara LSC program is a series of LCM meets consisting of about 8-12 events each between 1-2 4 hour sessions. This meet is designed to offer limited LCM swims in the traditional SCY season. These dates are OPEN DATES and competing invitational meet sanctions will be allowed on these dates.

**Niagara Regional Qualifier Meet:** Slower than Niagara Championship Qualifier standard. Timed final 4-session meet with a maximum of 3 hosts in different geographic areas.

**Niagara 12 & Under IMX Challenge:** This meet is a meet that is a programmatic shift to the USA Swimming encouraged IMX challenge events. Swimmers will be encouraged to complete the IMX challenge events for their designated age/distance. Emphasis will be on completing the entire IMX circuit or improving existing scores. 2-session meet with no qualifying standard and NT entries will be accepted to encourage participation.

**Niagara Senior PowerPoint Championship:** This meet will be identical in format and design as has been done the last few years. The date was set to better accommodate participation of high school age male swimmers. 3 session, timed final meet with alternative awards (bell ringer). Potential exists for Power events as well. Qualifying times are equal to 13-14 "A" (AGE GROUP) Standards.

**Niagara Championship Qualifier Meet** Must be faster than the Niagara Championship Qualifier standards but slower than the NI Championship standards. Prelims/Final format in place and the same event list as the Championship meet. Up to 3 hosts in different geographic areas.

**Niagara Age Group Championship** This meet will be the championships for age group swimming (10&U, 11-12, 13-14 only), with an emphasis on performance. 5-7 Session meet with a minimum of 8 lanes required for prelims. This meet will have a MINIMUM (faster than) standards meet, with the minimum cut times equaling the NI Championship cuts times.

**Niagara Senior Championship** This meet will be the championships for the Senior Swimming in the LSC, with an emphasis on performance. 5-7 Session meet with a minimum of 8 lanes required for prelims. This meet will have a MINIMUM (faster than) standards meet, with the minimum cut times equaling the NI Championship cuts times. Time Trials possible.

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### Applying for a Sanction

Sanction application, sanction fee and preliminary meet announcement must be received by **April 11, 2015**.

Sanction applications and meet information should be emailed to [sanctions@niagaraswim.org](mailto:sanctions@niagaraswim.org). The sanction fee should be submitted to the Sanction Coordinator:

**Eric Stimson**  
**1185 Doebler Dr.**  
**North Tonawanda, NY 14120**

- Before bidding for any meet (Niagara LSC or Invitational), please make sure to follow all the guidelines and instruction found in the sanction application (posted on the website). Only bid for meets that you are certain that you have the logistical and technical ability to host, taking into consideration all club considerations as to the feasibility of running the meet. Once sanctions are issued, that meet becomes part of the competitive calendar and integral to the overall programmatic direction of the Niagara LSC. Once the sanction is issued, ANY changes to the meet MUST be approved by the Executive Board of the LSC. This includes invitational meets.

- **Clubs awarded bids to host Niagara LSC Meets must agree to run format as designed by Technical Planning. Niagara LSC meets are under the full jurisdiction of the Technical Planning Committee of the Niagara LSC. The meet host does not have the authority to alter any meet details specified by the Technical Planning Committee without prior approval of the Committee. Technical Planning is represented in this process by the Technical Planning Committee Chair (unless otherwise specified). The Technical Planning Committee will work with each meet host to run efficient and productive meets.**

- Meet packets (Sanction applications) for Niagara LSC Meets need to include following - Host Club, Venue and brief description, Meet Director and Meet Referee. All other information (i.e. Order of Events, format specifics, awards program, bonus eligibility, etc.) will be provided to you by Technical Planning.

- Clubs bidding for meets on open dates need to be aware that you may have to change your date if something unforeseen occurs with a Niagara LSC Meet.

- If you are bidding on more than one open date meet, please prioritize them.

- Per Niagara Policies and Procedures 202.2

- Up to four sanctions [one per geographic region: Buffalo, Syracuse, Southern Tier and Rochester] will be permitted on the 'fall-winter' calendar for any given date.
- No application shall be considered and no sanctions shall be issued for meets proposed (invitational, closed or league) to be held on 'closed' dates on which a Niagara LSC meet, as designated by the Executive Committee, is being held in the Niagara LSC.

- When designing your meet formats you must adhere to USA Swimming 4 hour rule 205.3 F *"With the exception of championship meets, the program in all other age group competition shall be planned to allow the events for swimmers 12 years and younger to be completed in 4 hours or less for a timed finals session or in a total of 8 hours or less per day for a preliminaries and finals meet."* Ensure that your Order of Events and age category

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detail does not allow swimmers aged 12 or less to swim in more than one session, as this would likely exceed 4 hours.

- ***In order to receive a sanction, the Meet Director must have attended a Meet Director/Meet Management training session since May 2014.***

Any questions about the bidding process should also be directed to the Sanction Coordinator – [sanctions@niagaraswim.org](mailto:sanctions@niagaraswim.org). If you have any questions about the requirements, specifications, formats, or anything related to specific LSC meets, please contact the Technical Planning Committee Chairman - [techplanning@niagaraswim.org](mailto:techplanning@niagaraswim.org).