

## 11/27 Disability Committee Conference Call Notes

### On the call:

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### Goals of the committee:

- Give coaches and club information on how to include these athletes. Reach out to clubs and see how many people fall within the criteria to get a demographic.
- TIES program geared toward 8 and older, having athletes having peer athletes to help them and look after them. (Elaina) offering a buddy program
- How to approach athletes that may have a disability to learn more and to find out how to best help and coach those athletes by getting the proper information with out offending.
- Determine how to get these athletes involved in swim meets
- Adding cognitive disabilities to P3 for our LSC

### Paralympic time standards:

- Motivational time standards cut times scaling to P1, P2, and P3. Getting them in Silvers, gold's, and speedos this year.
- Determining how to classify athletes with Meet Refs
- Adding cognitive disabilities to P3

12/15 Special Olympic Meeting at Naz college and trying to get the notes since we do not have someone who can attend.

Article 105- officials education, and Meet Directors education and how to approach about seeding meets and accommodations. Have committee members look at it to see if there is anything additional they want included.

### Ideas moving forward

- Looking for help with those with special needs background to direct the committee for those athletes

Next call end of January/ early February