

Niagara Swimming Age Group Development Group  
Conference Call - Wednesday, August 21 @ 8PM



**Roll Call (Bold = present)**

**Molly Brennan / Athlete Rep, Phil Baretela / Coach Rep, Marci Callan / Chair, Kim Corby / Senior Chair, Mike Cutler / Coach BAAC, Carly Jones / Coach JETS, Julia Lamb / Coach METS, Mark Miles / Coach KRKN, Dani Richards / Coach GRAT, McLeana Schwab / Coach FAST, Suzanne Sokolowski / Athlete WEBS, Eric Stimson / Staff,**

Approve/correct minutes

- No corrections. Approved

Review of task groups/ how are they doing

- Phil 10+under facility/meets – Mexico, Webster, RIT are all willing. We need to look at how we incorporate those items into a meet format.

Mission statement/ updates from Mike/logo

- To provide ~~a place~~ **an avenue** for all **young** swimmers to develop a foundation that allows them to ~~accomplish~~ **pursue** their dreams and goals in and out of the pool.

AG job description/ needs work/ take out zone team

- We have the format and most of the content. Now we need to realign the job to remove items that can fall to an EZ Manager or Admin person.

Recent zone meet/time for a change

- Stats:
  - 43 swimmers, 23 did not have qualifying times
  - 181 entries, 126 did not qualify
  - no scoring in: 10 + under, 11-12 G, 13-14 B, 2 pts 11-12 boys placed 9TH overall
  - 2 out of 4 chaperones did not have children that qualified for the meet, they get their expenses paid by NI and so do children, 600 + Ni support + chaperone expense for non-qualifiers,
  - tech suit discount for non-qualifiers
  - uniforms for non-qualifiers
  - \$10-13,000 out of Ni pocket, not efficient use of money
- Utilize with other AG projects, better use of funds
- Recommending the NJ model - <https://www.teamunify.com/SubTabGeneric.jsp?team=njszt& stabid =168280>

Kim/Dani any response from other LSC's

- North Texas, Indiana, Southern Cal
  - Indiana
    - Focuses on camps - They have multiple tiers offering a half-day clinic, an overnight clinic/camp, a travel camp (multi day).
    - Team Indiana.
    - Food Trucks and Fireworks

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- North Texas
  - Travel Meets
  - Medal Madness
    - Heat Winners only
- Southern Cal
  - All-Star Festival
    - Top 80 Swimmers split into 4 teams to compete against each other.
  - Fast and Fun (Themed Meets)
  - Harry Potter
    - Split into 4 houses with the respective caps for each team
- <https://www.usaswimming.org/news-landing-page/2017/02/27/alternative-meet-formats>

Plan to meet after convention and focus on items that might pertain to HOD (Sept 29).

Next Meeting September 18 at 8:30