December 2025 IASI General Chair Report

We have continued to see growth in meet participation, with revenue from splash fees not declining as much as expected due to the increased number of swimmers. The age-group committee is working on a developmental structure for 12&under swimmers that aligns with the USA Swimming developmental program (3 seasons in a year, 2-hour sessions, etc.). I do have a question to USA Swimming regarding Flex membership participation – can we have this the same as for block parties (where the meet doesn't count towards the annual limit).

The LSC bylaws were updated with the changes from the last HoD and the mandatory changes from USA Swimming, and then submitted to USA Swimming for approval. This was received on December 1^{st,} and the new bylaws are up on the LSC website.

We are working with TeamUnify to set up a "child" website for LSC committees (similar to the Officials and Team Iowa websites), so Committee Chairs have direct access and control over their committee pages. The office set up website permissions for the main website according to TeamUnify instructions but this didn't work. Hopefully, the new committee pages will be up, with permissions established by December 19th.

A special zone meeting on the evening of December 1st approved updated zone policies mainly affecting the 14&Under zone championships. The zone will be divided into 3 regions after this summer (Zone 1: OH, IN, IL; Zone 2: MN, WI, MI; Zone 3: ND, SD, IA, MW, MV, OZ, OK, AR). There will be three zone meets (one in each zone) from 2027 onwards. There are still many details to finalize, and we are setting up a task force to establish policies and procedures in coordination with other LSCs in our region.

I will be working over the next quarter with chairs and committees to ensure we meet our planned activities.

Respectfully,

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