

# MAINE SWIMMING, INC. | Maine Swimming Athletes Committee

## 9/11/22

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Present: Audrey Cohen, Emma Farnham, Brady Hale, Abby Hollis, Ethan Schulz, Lucy Shaw, Denali Wagstaff, Elle Yarborough Absent: Ali Bragg, McKayla Kendall, Guest: Hunter Maxham, Rhyannon Price, Taylor Rogers

Call to Order Mission/Vision Roll Call and Welcome to Guests by Ethan Schulz

Brady Hale made a motion to approve the minutes second by Audrey Cohen.

#### Leadership Retreat

Ethan Schulz showed a document with the criteria for the 2023 Leadership Retreat. The document has guidelines for the LSCs to use when they are picking their athlete representatives for the retreat. Taylor Rogers asked about the age limit and Ethan Schulz said we would have the same guidelines as our athlete rep age limits. Additionally Taylor Rogers suggested adding a section that highlighted what we will do in regards to athletes who aren't eligible for in person contact with college recruiters.

Ethan Schulz then showed a document with the tentative schedule for the retreat. Specific times will be added later. Ethan Schulz asked if he should add in social time to the schedule and Audrey Cohen said that it would be good to add it so it is more clear. Ethan Schulz then explained that the workshops shouldn't be too long and there is also a lunch break in between the workshops on Saturday so that it will make it easier. Abby Hollis asked where we are planning to do the workshops and Ethan Schulz explained that they will be at Colby but we aren't sure where they will be specifically. Ethan Schulz said that during the team bonding time it would be fun to play big team games like trivia to get people more familiar with each other. Emma Farnham said that doing team activities outside of the pool is a good idea. Ethan Schulz then explained a few more specifics on the schedule. Taylor Rogers said that for the sprint meet we could do something like dual in the pool with mixed order medleys and other fun races. Taylor



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Rogers also said that on Thursday night we can name it a welcome dinner with a speaker and fast getting to know you games. Emma Farnham suggested that we could randomly assign people to a table to play games and get to know each other before the swimming portion starts. Rhyannon Price said that we could do a speed dating type of setup with a minute to try to get to know each other quickly. Ethan Schulz said there will be four teams with four athletes from each LSC.

#### **Committee Appointments**

Ethan Schulz said that we still need athletes to fill roles on committees.

- DEI
- Senior

Ethan Schulz said that if Ryannon Price or Hunter Maxim are interested in joining a committee they can reach out to the committee chair. Ethan Schulz asked about DEI and who is staying on. Emma Farnham said that she wasn't sure who was going to stay on. Taylor Rogers said that even though we have a 20% minimum, having more athletes on the committee would be best. Abby Hollis and Brady Hale said they have attended senior meetings and are willing to be a part of the committee.

Later on Taylor Rogers said that the Personnel Committee also needs an athlete.

#### **Reminder to Coaches About Team Reps**

We want to make sure that coaches aren't randomly selecting team reps and then not notifying them. Ethan Schulz asked how we should word the form so that coaches know what we want. Emma Farnham said it might be helpful to have a section where the coaches must confirm that they have talked to their representatives and they are willing to be involved. Ideally the team reps will be able to help communicate important information to their teams.

#### **Working Groups**

Social Media: Mary Ellen and Henry would like to work with the social media group to create a promotional video for officials.

Athlete Feedback: Is in charge of creating a form for athletes to provide feedback.



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To-Do List: