

PROPOSALS
For SEPTEMBER 15, 2021

- I. Currently on the table: Kyle makes a proposal to remove MPA high school database from list of meets from which time is allowed. Holly seconds. Jim disagrees. We should allow all. AJ asks about getting all high school meets observed but USA Swimming does not allow that. Paul asks about oversubscription at high school meets if not taking a spot from other swimmers. Taylor asks if new swimmers made a cut at high school states could they attend Trials meets if they know they can make the time. Taylor asks the athletes how they feel about not counting high school times. Emma sometimes gets a faster time at a high school meet and would like to use it at Winter Champs but also understands the rules are different. Abby stated she is OK keeping the policy as is only using the observed times. Taylor clarified that in the past we have used only high school times. Jim states that observed times are used for higher level meets outside Maine and then described how “minute” the technical rules are. Emma asked if regional high school meets could be observed. Taylor asked how many high school kids register because they made a time in high school. Mary Ellen said this rarely happens. Taylor reiterates current high school policy. Kyle’s proposal is we not allow high school times to be eligible unless they are observed times. Motion fails due to lack of quorum (vote was 5-1).
- II. *Current language 1101.2:*The qualifying times for the winter championships are to be recommended by the Coaches’ Committee and voted on and approved by the Technical Planning Committee.
- a. *Proposal:* The qualifying times for winter championships for the 13 & over and open events are to be determined by the Senior Committee while the qualifying times for the 12 & under events will be determined by the Age Group Committee. Time standards will be presented to the Coaches’ Committee for feedback prior to being finalized and posted.
- III. *Current language 805 - Meet Observations -* Swims may be observed by assigned USA Swimming or YMCA officials for conformance with USA Swimming technical rules in a meet conducted under other than USA Swimming rules. Maine High School State Meets will be observed. Requests and payments for observations must be submitted to the Maine Swimming Office by the posted deadline. All meet observations must comply with USA Swimming Rulebook Section 202.8
- a. *Proposal:* Swims may be observed by assigned USA Swimming or YMCA officials for conformance with USA Swimming technical rules in a meet conducted under other than USA Swimming rules. Maine High School State Meets will be observed. **Requests for observation of other high school end-of-season meets may be submitted using Form B and requests for observations for non-season culminating meets may be submitted using Form A.** Requests and payments for observations must be submitted to the Maine Swimming Office by the posted deadline. All meet observations must comply with USA Swimming Rulebook Section 202.8
- b.
- IV. *Personnel Committee:*
Add back to P & P 412 - The members of the Personnel Committee shall be the General Chair, who shall serve as chair, the Administrative Vice Chair, the Finance Vice Chair, and a sufficient number of athletes so as to constitute at least twenty percent (20%) of the voting membership of the Committee. The Personnel Committee is authorized and obligated to negotiate and set wages, compensation and other terms of employment of MESI’s staff (whether employees or independent contractors) within established, budgetary guidelines and policies and to review and approve the scope of duties delegated to the staff.

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