

2018 USA Swimming Convention Summary
John Skroch, Admin-Vice Chair

Open Water Development Committee Meeting

Continue to promote the sport, camps, clinics, All-Star opportunities.
Zone Open Water Championship Race Directors review of their races.
Review the handbook and recommend they use the British OW handbook as it is much more in-depth than what we have.

Registration & Membership Committee Business Meeting

Review the registration option and discussion on how to track Flex memberships regarding meets.

Times & Recognition Committee Business Meeting

Reviewed the number of swims and meets that were uploaded to the SWIMS Database.

Reviewed the Scholastic All American numbers for the season.

Keynote Address

Rishad Tobaccowala shared his cutting-edge insights on the changing world around us, how to cope with change, and most importantly, how to use change to make ourselves, our organizations and our world a better place.

Coaching Female Athletes

Allison Beebe & Dana Skelton gave their insights on working with age group female athletes. Allison recommends the book "Confidence Code for Girls" to help with building confidence in girls.

Vendor Demo for LSC Registrars

Representative from TeamUnify showed the new Member Validation Service that will help to resolve the discrepancy that occurs in the registration process. Third party vendors will be able to connect to the SWIMS registration database during this process. Currently in the pilot phase and testing with a smaller number of teams in a couple of LSC's. Once the pilot phase is over they will start rolling out to LSC's and teams that are interested.

SWIMS Times Module Workshop

TeamUnify showed a demo of their Member Validation Service that was shown in the earlier meeting. Review some troubleshooting issues when Daktronics and Colorado timing errors because of the starter cable not being pulled in correctly or a setting on the console was setup wrong. Tim Husson shared some statistical reports for the number of swims and records broken through the year.

LSC Required By-Law Proposed Changes

Governance committee showed the template of the revised by-laws that will be presented at HOD to be voted on. Every LSC will need to submit their revised By-Laws by January 2020.

USA Swimming and YMCA US Business Meeting

Continued discussion between USAS and YMCA swimming has taken a new positive direction. YMCA has a new CEO who understands that competitive swimming is an important component in their programming. New direction has been given from the top of YMCA down to the local branches. It was recommended to have discussion with the Aquatic Directors at each facility to continue building this relationship rather than the regional CEO.

Western Zone Business Meeting

Approved the 2017 Convention Minutes

Approved the 2018 Roseville meeting minutes from the AG Zone meet.

Approved the Budget 2018-19

Reports of Officers and National Committee members

2020 Age Group Zones had bids from IE/SN and HI. IE/SN will host AG Zones in 2020 at Mt Hood CC August 12-15.

2020 Sr Zones will be Aug 4-8 in Clovis.

Futures 2019 will be Aug 1-4.

2020 Jr Nationals/US Open combined meet in Indianapolis.

Approved the WZ Board of Review each LSC has 2-3 members to draw from.

Sean Redmond was voted to his 2nd term as Coach Director.

Bylaws and Policy & Procedures were approved.

2019 Age Group Zone Time Standards Approved.

2019 Sr Zones Time Standards Approved.

Approved the 10-cent tax to fund D&I.

Approved a Task Force to determine how to generate funds for the WZ.

USA Swimming HOD

Memorial Presentation for all member of USA Swimming that were lost last year.

Board Chairman's Report

Lifetime Member Presentation

Past Board Member recognition

LEAP Recognition

USA Swimming Awards

Membership Reports

Financial Report

Foundation Report

State of the Sport Panel Discussion

Board Elections

Rules and Regulations voted on additions/changes/amendments to USA Swimming rules.

Election Results