2024 Southeastern Swimming Coaches Committee Meeting Minutes August 24, 2024

Attendance: Alicia Franklin (ACAC), Chris Franklin (ACAC), Jeff Dellinger (AUB), Chris Coraggio (BSC), Michael Bottchen (BSL), Dan Rozick (BSL), Brad Kale (CA), Tyler Kerns (CMSA), Philip Wood (CMSA – Coaches Committee Chair), Scott Griffith (GPAC), Breanna Johnson (GPAC), Ross Cochran (GST), Ben Davis (H.S.A.), Alex Roberts (LIFE), David Orr (MTS), Jeff Greenwood (MYB), John Morse (NAC), Mandy Johnson (OST), Tyler McGill (OST), Marcel Blasini (RPS), Jessica Abrahamson (TNAQ), Lizzie Fleming (TNAQ), Benji Demotte (XCEL), Daun Lutz (XCEL)

Meeting Called to Order 1:30pm

<u>Reports of Officers:</u> Age Group Vice Chair Michael Bottchen – Report on website; Senior Vice Chair Tim Bauer – No Report

Review of Championship Meets: All meets gave basic attendance figures and reported that meets went well

Legislative Items:

T-1 ACTION: Adopted Defeated Adopted/Amended Tabled Postponed Withdrawn Submitted by Tyler Kerns (CMSA)

Will be effective immediately

- **T-1** Change Qualifying Method for Southeastern Winter and Summer Championship Meets
 Proposal is to Remove bonus qualifying time standards for all SES Championship meets, and allow for one qualifying time standard to award up to 3 bonus events using the following:
- 1 Qualifying Time = 3 Bonus Events; 2 Qualifying Times = 2 Bonus Events; 3 Qualifying Times = 1 Bonus Events; 4+ Qualifying Times = 0 Bonus Events

ALL bonus swims must be in events that are 200 yards or less in distance and must be provable in the USA Swimming SWIMS database within the qualifying period. Events 400 yards/meters and above are not eligible for bonus events.

Rationale/Notes: While separating the short course and long course time standards has been effective for meet quality, it has created a significant number of time standards for swimmers, parents, and coaches to track. Removing the bonus time standards and moving to this format would simplify the qualification standards.

T- 2 ACTION: Adopted Defeated Adopted/Amended Tabled Postponed Withdrawn Submitted by Tyler Kerns (CMSA)

Will be effective immediately

T-2 Only Allow One Relay per Team to be Scored at Southeastern Winter and Summer Championships

Proposal is to Eliminate scoring for B relays only allow one relay per team to be scored for team total

Rationale/Notes: This would create consistency and eliminate confusion in our scoring process as B relays do not count towards age group team scores

T- 3 ACTION: Adopted Defeated Adopted/Amended Tabled Postponed Withdrawn Submitted by Tyler Kerns (CMSA)

Will be effective immediately

T-3 Create Time Standards for Relays at Southeastern Winter and Summer Championships

Proposal is to Create time standards for relays. Relay time standards would be the approximate aggregate of 4 qualifying individual swims (100 Free qualifying time is 59.99, the 400 Free relay qualifying time would be 3:59.96).

<u>Rationale/Notes:</u> This would create consistency throughout our qualification process. All other events have a time standard, as should relays.

T- 4 ACTION: Adopted Defeated Adopted/Amended Tabled Postponed Withdrawn

Submitted by Tyler Kerns (CMSA)

Will be effective immediately

T-4 Create Time Standards for 13&O 200 yard Relay Events

Proposal is to Allow qualifying times for 13 and over 400 relays to qualify entry into corresponding 200 relays. The 200 mixed medley relay will not require any time standard

Rationale/Notes: Consistent with our 13 and over qualifying for 50s of stroke

T-5 ACTION: Adopted Defeated Adopted/Amended Tabled Postponed Withdrawn

Submitted by Tyler Kerns (CMSA)

Will be effective immediately

T-5 Allow Relay Only Swimmers Individual Bonus Event Swims

Proposal is to allow relay only swimmers, of a qualifying relay, with the exception of the 200 mixed medley relay, to swim up to $\frac{3}{2}$ bonus events. Bonus events must be 200y/m or less

Rationale: Give relay only swimmers access to individual races, helping eliminate need for time trials.

T- 6 ACTION: Adopted Defeated Adopted/Amended Tabled Postponed Withdrawn

Submitted by Chris Coraggio (BSC & SES Treasurer)

Will be effective immediately

T-6 To modify the Championship Meet bidding procedure, allowing for greater input from all clubs as to the dates of our Championship Meets

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Section 5.2

H. Process for Coaches Committee

1) Southeastern SCY and LCM Championship Meet Bids

a. The Coaches Committee shall first determine the dates of the meets and send out a request for bids for those dates.

- a b. To be considered, bid package must be submitted by club no later than date established by SES.
 - b c. Bids shall include date, location, facility information, and any necessary format changes/restrictions.
 - ed. Clubs may submit multiple bids for consideration.
- e. In the event no bids are received for the dates determined by the Coaches Committee, alternative dates proposed by clubs bidding on a meet will be considered.
 - d f. Coaches Committee shall be solely responsible for selecting winning bid package (date, location, host club etc...)
 - I. Meet Host shall provide timers for all events, including distance events.

5.3 Region meets

- A. SES will sponsor Region meets. And such meets will be bid in the same manner as any other meet the LSC Championship Meets. The weekend will be protected within that Region of the LSC.
- B. The <u>Region</u> Coaches Committee shall set the dates and schedules of meets, time standards, meet program, facility charges, type and order of events and decide upon awards
 - C. Region Championship Meet Bids
- a. The Region Coaches Committee shall first determine the dates of the meets and send out a request for bids for those dates.
- ab. To be considered, bid package must be submitted by club no later than date established by SES.
- **b** c. Bids shall include date, location, facility information, and any necessary format changes/restrictions.
- ed Clubs may submit multiple bids for consideration
- e. In the event no bids are received for the dates determined by the Region Coaches Committee, alternative dates proposed by clubs bidding on a meet will be considered.
- d f. Region Committee shall be solely responsible for selecting winning bid package (date, location, host club etc...). If Region Championship is ever combined, combined Region Committee shall be responsible for selecting winning bid package.

Rationale/Notes: Under our current set-up, teams bidding for our Championship Meets (Regionals and the Southeastern Championships) mandate <u>both</u> the date and facility of the competition. While this system may be more convenient for those bidding, it takes away the opportunity from the majority of the clubs affected to have input into the timing of these meets. This proposal would allow a group consensus to first determine the timing of our Championship Meets on the competition calendar, and then invite bids which meet that criterion. Granted, there are practical considerations of facility availability in play. In cases where a club wishes to bid for a meet on a different date, this proposal allows for alternate "fall back" bids to be put forward.

T-7 ACTION: Adopted Defeated Adopted/Amended Tabled Postponed Withdrawn

Submitted by Chris Coraggio (BSC & SES Treasurer)

Will be effective immediately

T-7 Allow Block Party Times to be Considered for Southeastern Championship Qualification

Proposal is to allow times from USA Swimming Block Party Meets may be used to prove entry times at the Southeastern LSC Championship Meets.

Rationale/Notes: The USAS Block Party Meet concept allows teams to host quicker, smaller meets to help engage swimmers and families who may be put off by longer, multi-day competitions. They can also be run with a minimal number of officials, allowing smaller teams to host these these meets. The meet is sanctioned through USAS, not the LSC. The times may not be used for National-level meets. If the LSC agrees, the times may be used for entries into LSC Championship Meets. This proposal allows that option to be utilized by SES

T-8 ACTION: Adopted Defeated Adopted/Amended Tabled Postponed Withdrawn

Submitted by Benji Demotte (XCEL & SES President)

Will be effective starting with the 2025 SES Summer Championships

T-8 Remove 13&Over 50s of Stroke from SES Winter and Summer Championship Meets

Proposal is to remove the 50 fly, 50 back and 50 breast from the 13 and over SES lineups.

<u>Rationale/Notes:</u> These three events do not allow swimmers to achieve national time standards. In addition, their inclusion is diluting the competition for the other events that are recognized by USA Swimming. Additionally, this will free up roughly 30 minutes of timeline per day.

T-9 ACTION: Adopted Defeated Adopted/Amended Tabled Postponed Withdrawn

Submitted by Benji Demotte (XCEL & SES President)

Will be effective starting with the 2025 SES Summer Championships

T-9 Add 11-12 Events to SES Winter and Summer Championship Meets

Proposal is to add the 200 Back, Breast and Fly and 400 IM to the 11-12 SES lineups.

<u>Rationale/Notes:</u> These four events are all recognized by USA Swimming and are included in Age Group Sectionals and all other LSC Age Group Championships (except Kentucky). Furthermore, these events are offered at Age Group Sectionals, NCSA Age Group Championships and ISCA Age Group Championships. Currently, any SES Swimmers attending these post SES Meets are at a huge disadvantage as we don't offer them at our championship meets.

The following proposals were submitted from the floor after the deadline and require a 90% vote to be adopted

T- 10 ACTION: Adopted Defeated Adopted/Amended Tabled Postponed Withdrawn

Submitted by Tyler Kerns (CMSA)

Will be effective immediately

T-10 To Eliminate the 200 Yard Mixed Medley from the SES Winter Championships

Proposal is to eliminate the 200 yard Mixed Medley Relay from the SES Winter Championships

T-11 ACTION: Adopted Defeated Adopted/Amended Tabled Postponed Withdrawn

Submitted by Tyler Kerns

Will be effective immediately

T-11 Use the Women's 400 yard Medley Relay Time Standard for entry for the 200 Mixed Medley

Relay

Proposal is to

<u>2025 Championship Time Standards:</u> Time Standards for 2025 SES Championship Meets will be presented to the body by September 1. They will not feature any changes to individual qualifying times. They will add relay qualifying times and remove individual bonus times per adopted legislation.

<u>SES Awards</u>: Nominations will open on September 1 for all awards and continue through September 14. Voting will be done online and will open on September 16 and conclude September 30. Assuming no runoffs, winners will be announced October 1.

Announcements:

- Thanks to City of Gulf Shores and GSST Head Coach Brook Hopkins.

Meeting Adjourned 3:03pm