

TAGS Committee – March 7, 2021 Woodlands, TX

Chair – LeAnn Carr

North Texas - Tom Applegate

West Texas – Luke Serrano

Border – Todd Roberts

South Texas – Aubrey Knapper

Gulf – Jarrod Murphy

President Appointee At Large – Mike Koleber

Chair Appointee At Large – Rodrigo Periea

Committee members in bold were present. Mike Koleber was available by phone.

Agenda Items

- Statement of gratitude to The Woodlands for this meet
- Number from 2019-2021
 - Total athletes SC TAGS 2021-444 2020-571 2019-994
 - Relay only SC TAGS 2021-133 2020-125 2019-319
- Dates for long course 2021 (July 21-25) and short course 2022 (March 3-6)
- Bids for short course 2022 – Lakeside will host. Bid updated to state admission fee for all sessions will be \$30. Price for an individual session?? At what age do you begin charging? Child's price 3-12 years old? Or similar? Per event fees must be as listed in original bid. **(questions will be posed to Lakeside by LeAnn)**
- Update TAGS Handbook – Clarify that having a bonus in 1650 or 1000 will qualify to swim the other race. Same as rule for hard cuts. **(LeAnn will do)**
- Review of events from 2017-2019, looking for any that consistently did not have 24 swimmers **(LeAnn)**
- Update TAGS Records on the TSA Webpage **(Tom can pull records file from backup and get to Rodrigo to update)**
- **Create a template meet info file for TAGS and meet file (HyTek) to be posted on TSA webpage to help meet hosts. LeAnn to get meet info template and Tom to create meet file.**
- From a coach on deck this weekend: **(this ended up being a moot point as the meet information stated, scoring 1-16. So all were scored where they raced after 9th place.**

I asked the question below to the meet referee today and he told me I should bring it to the TAGS committee and that he could not rule on it. Can you help me get this to the full tags committee?

TAGS Committee,

In these unprecedented times with the meet information changing constantly, especially for the 10-unders, I would like to request that we allow 10-unders who must scratch finals, be allowed to score 9th place points.

The athlete swam fast enough to be in 3 finals on Friday but is unable to attend finals since the meet information changed 48 hours before the meet started. She has appropriately scratched from finals but will now receive zero points. This is less points than if she swam slower and placed 9th-16th in prelims.

I ask that we give the benefit to the athlete during these times with constantly changing meet information and allowing a 10 and under athlete who must scratch finals to be able to score 9th place points.

Also in attendance:

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Tara Bailey – BTA tbailey@humbleisd.net

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Ben Harlow – SSS coachbenharlow2333@gmail.com

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