



**Western Zone Board Meeting
September 10, 2024**

In attendance:

Mike Dilli – Zone Director (non-coach)
Keith Moore – Zone Director (coach)
Lisa Vetterlein – Secretary/Treasurer
April Walkley – Safe Sport Coordinator

Susan Huckleby – DEI Coordinator
Mike Davis – WZ Officials Coordinator
Michael Kinross – Open Water Coordinator
Mitch Gold – USA Swimming WZ Senior Advisor

Not attending:

Jackson Fouras – Zone Athlete Director
Simran Jayasinghe – Jr Athlete Rep

Ryan Stratton – Championship Coordinator
Tharon Drake – Disability Coordinator
Jane Grosser – USA Swimming WZ Senior Advisor

Reports are (will be, if not yet received) posted online and listed on consent agenda.

Athletes will speak to their elections which is run separately.

Championship director – Ryan wanting to work towards setting up zone meets for the quad.

Admin procedure doc –

- red-lined version along with explanation for the red-lines.
- Article 14 could be a point of discussion, where the executive board would have the ability to update or make changes as necessary, and not require a vote from the HOD.
 - The document was reviewed by Derek Paul, who is now working with the legal department at USA Swimming. He stated that was the idea of going to admin procedures. We may want to consider a majority vote instead of a unanimous one for changes to the document as USA Legal counsel mentioned 100% of quite strict. Additional note, to make this streamlined for this board, and all that follow.

Funding for WZ athletes to attend

- Working with the LSC for aid. WZ will cover any portion the LSC does not as per admin procedures.

DEI Camp:

- Susan expressed her gratitude for the support from USA Swimming and the people that made this a fantastic success.

Open Water:

- Michael Kinross is looking for 2026 bids. Not uncommon at this stage not having any in hand.
- Please include Ryan in any emails regarding OW zone meet.

Email lists upkeep:

- Mitch is more than happy to assist with pulling email lists for the Western Zone for the most up-to-date emailing list available, to aid effective communication

SC Zone meet-

- Will not receive any funding from USA Swimming this year.
- continuing to work with Joel toward future scenarios.