

Team Role Call (see page 4 for list of attendees)

Meeting called to order, beginning with our mission statement and vision

Joan moved for minutes approval **Motion Passed**

Treasurers Report

- Membership/registration early with expenses towards end of year; predicted to be within budget by end of the year

Reports of Officers:

General Chair

- Board to help Joan finish leap program before the end of the summer so as to be prepared to submit before September 30th, 2024

Administrative Vice-Chair

- Meet Schedule (brief mention see page 2 and 3 under “Swim Meet Updates for 2024 Meets and 2025 Proposed Meet Schedule”)

Age Group Chair

- Age Group Zones time standards (brief mention – see page 3 under “2024 Age Group Zones Coach Selection and Time Standard Discussion”)

Senior Chair

- Summer Senior Meets
 - Senior Sectionals at Mount Hood in Gresham, OR
 - Futures in Sacramento, CA

Registration Chair

- Maintaining a contact list of coaches, officials, team admins, and SRS board will assist with planning meets, events, etc. as well as being a check point for USAS credentials
 - Would assist with keeping coaches and officials in good standing
- The list would not be distributed to teams and there would be an “opt-out” option
- Post-Meet Recon – teams to send a post-meet file to Registrar
- Currently, no repercussions for coaches being on deck with expired/invalid certifications
 - All coaches to go to coaches meetings at meets
 - Teams to send Registrar a list of coaches present after the meet
- Motion to fine teams \$100.00 who’s coaches arrive to a meet with the intent to coach who are not in good standing/invalid certifications **MOTION PASSED**
 - Discussion regarding lack of parallel between coaches and swimmers rules
 - Goal is to dissuade from letting certifications lapse
- Team representatives to stop sending back up file for recon report

Awards Chair

- Vote to change list awards for championship meets in the standing rules to reflect what is actually being purchased (changed within standing rules by Patty Stratton – section IX)
- Email for nominations for summer awards will be sent out within the next few weeks
 - Awards submissions due by June 15th
 - Coaches of the Year
 - Daniel Dewey Male and Female Nominations
 - Volunteer of the Year
 - Academic Award
- HOD to revisit in the fall

Athlete Report

- Athletes to use app “Goosechase” for the scavenger hunt; will need to be advertised on the Instagram page and meet information
- Junior athlete election every team needs to have two athletes who are 13 and over to attend election on May 19th before older session starts for Spring Fling

- Every team had representatives at the athlete meeting on May 5th, 2024

Swim Meet Updates for 2024 Meets and 2025 Proposed Meet Schedule:

Meet schedule: 2024

- December 7th/8th: Reindeer Games
- Moved BY Invitational to June 28th- 30th
- Last Chance meet cancelled

Meet Schedule: 2025

- Meets:
 - February 1st: Igloo Pentathlon
 - February 1st: Cabin Fever
 - Snake River Championships
 - Technical planning committee to dictate where championship meets are held
 - March 8th: Shamrock
 - March 15th: Pot o' Gold
 - April 5th/6th: April Pools
 - April 26th: Spring fever
 - June 7th/8th: Summer Classic
 - June 14th: Summer Splash, TBD location
 - June 28th/29th: Elko High Altitude
 - September 13th: BSC Fall Frenzy
 - October 11th/12th: Koudelka
 - December 13th/14th: Reindeer Games

- Vote on Meet schedules for 2024-2025 **Motion Passed**

****Athlete J. Hill** noted feelings of unsafe atmosphere in regard to the ICAC facility; SRS cannot intervene but this can be brought to the attention of the technical planning committee

Old Business:

Policies and Procedures

- SRS asked for legal advice from USAS regarding our Code of Conduct; still under review of USAS (we will not vote until reviewed by USAS)
- Important to follow Code of Conduct on an LSC level
 - Teams should report to SRS before going to USAS

Official Co-Chair Proposal

- It would be helpful to bring on a co-chair so officials can have representation from both the west and east sides of the state
- Per USAS add on positions need to be updated in the bylaws first before adding them within the policy and procedure
 - To be voted on in Fall HOD
- Election would be held in the Fall HOD – Odd Years

****P. Stratton** to combine policies and procedures and standing rules so as to hold a vote in Fall HOD meeting

Western Zone DEI Camp

- SRS to send 3 athlete representatives and a coach to Minneapolis June 17th-19th
- Athletes to present what they learned after the DEI camp

LSC Travel Shares Plan

- Proposal to add more money to the Senior Sections category **Motions Passed**
 - Move to make Senior Sections 4 shares or \$200
 - Move to make Relay Only Swimmers for Section and Above Meets 1 share or \$50
- Funding for Age Group Zones and Senior Zones **Motion Passed**

- Move to approve \$200/swimmer

Senior Zones Summer 2024

- Already have a few swimmers from different teams committed to attending
- Hotels are already set aside for swimmers and families

New Business:

Conduct of Championship Meets **Motion Passed**

- 8 and unders need to have a legal time for championship meets to compete in that event
- No 50s, other than the 50 free, for 13 and overs (beginning in 2025)

Officials Recertification **Motion Passed**

- USAS has moved to standardize certification and recertification processes of officials nationwide
 - This is for all positions within officiating
- Motion to adopt USAS changes to our process (as required for compliance)

2024 Age Group Zones Coach Selection¹ and Time Standard Discussion **Motion Passed**

- AAA currently but proposed change to 1 second per 50 per 200 (i.e. 4 seconds for a 200) to make Zones cuts closer to AAA with a consideration of AA times
- Zones meets are good opportunities for AA swimmers to get faster times since this is a fast meet
- Athlete representatives decided either was alright to move forward with as long as it doesn't affect the competitiveness of the meet
- Motion to either keep current time standards, add 1 second to AAA times, or use AA times
 - Motion to Use AA Times passes
- Application for athletes will be posted soon

USAS Convention: September 26th-28th

- Attendees: General Chair, Admin VC, DEI Chair, Junior and Senior Athlete Representatives, and Coaches Chair
- J. Wong recommended to send B. McClosky using \$600 from the Officials Training budget to cover costs
- T. Marsh suggests adding a larger 2025 budget so more members could attend.
- P. Stratton mentioned convention is being held virtually as well so those with voting rights can be present
 - J. Wong to send list of official voters to USAS so they can send the virtual link to each member
- J. Wong mentioned we could increase the budget to send more board members, but the focus of the meeting is always different

Fall HOD

- Change Fall HOD to October 6th with HOD meeting from 2-6pm to promote greater attendance
 - Already voted on in Fall HOD 2023, no change
- Coaches meeting TBD (decision to be made by first week of June)
- Athletes meeting at 10am on October 5th, 2024
- HOD meeting from 12-4pm on October 5th, 2024

¹ AA times were approved for WZ Age Group selection with the clarification of distance events. WZ requirements each LSC has to follow and more detail changes have been sent out by J. Wong on 5/17/2024 to all coaches. Standing Rules have been updated as highlighted below.

Spring HOD Attendance:

Joan Wong – Present	Stephanie Moisengo – Absent
Vicki Marsh – Present	Deb Hill – Present
Todd Marsh – Present	Julia Hill – Present
Aryn Davis – Present	Jan Lopez – Present
Lize Grimes – Present	Kael Bokma – Present
Bailey Clifford – Present	Alphonsina (Phon) Savell – Present
Joshua Hosington – Present	Malachi Guinotte – Present
Linda Conger – Present	John Watson – Present
Nicole Dumitrascu – Absent	Bryce Ferris – Present
Jaden Akpan – Present	Amy Brown – Present
John Twiss – Present	Kyler Brown – Present
Michelle Smith – Present	John Apgar – Present
Glenn Roth – Present	Sadie Schaffer – Present
Eric Pettula – Absent	Stephanie Major – Present
Patty Stratton – Present	Lisa Dunn – Present
Natalie Geffros - Absent	Pierce Keely – Present
Chris Geffros – Absent	Nick Gaggiao – Present
Rebecca Smith – Present	Isabella Tognoni – Present
Trisha Nickel – Present	Phoebe Murphy - Present

Snake River's Age Group Zone Team Selection Criteria

- A. Swimmer Eligibility: To be a member of the Snake River Swimming Western Zone Team a swimmer must:
1. be a registered member of Snake River Swimming
 2. achieve a "Gold" or "Silver" Standard, as defined under Part D, after September 1 of the current season, in such that the current season be defined as beginning September 1 and ending August 31.
 3. if two (2) Snake River swimmers in any age group qualify and plan to attend the meet, a third and fourth swimmer may be selected by the Western Zone Meet Committee based on the criteria outlined in Part C of this Section
- C. Addition of Relay Swimmers: As referenced in Part B of this Section, if at least two (2) Snake River swimmers in any age-group qualify and plan to attend the meet, a third and/or fourth swimmer may be selected using the following criteria:
1. Swimmers will be ranked by event using yard and meter times for the 50 Free, 100 Free, 100 Back, 100 Fly, and 100 Breast, with equal weighting placed on all events. Times performed in short-course yard competitions will be considered through June 1. More consideration will be given to long-course times. Rankings will be posted periodically on the Snake River Swimming website;
 2. The Western Zone Meet Committee will evaluate the rankings, with preferences placed on meeting the specific needs of relay swims. A swimmers lowest ranked event will be disregarded during the evaluation process. If there are two qualifiers, the committee will select two swimmers and one alternate swimmer to fill the relay. If there are three qualifiers, the committee will select one swimmer and one alternate to fill the relay;
 3. If selected swimmers decline the invitation in such that a relay cannot be formed, the committee may evaluate additional invitations at their discretion so long as such invitations maintain a similar standard and the integrity of the process is continued; and
 4. Selected swimmers will be allowed to swim individual events within the restrictions of Snake River Swimming's total allotment of allowable nonconforming swims.
- D. Time Standards: The following standards will be used for selection of the Snake River Swimming Zone Team(s):
1. "Gold" Standard: Equivalent to the meet standards established by the Western Zone
 2. "Silver" Standard: Equivalent to the **2021-24 USA Swimming Motivational AA Time Standard for all events in the 10 & U, 11-12, and 13-14 age groups.**
 - a. The Western Zone limits non-qualifying times in all distance events to only one (1) per LSC, per event, per gender, per age group. If more than one swimmer achieves a AA time in the same distance event, the determination of who swims in the event will be made by the coaching staff at the meet.
- E. Swimmer Funding
1. To receive funds a swimmer must have competed in no less than three Snake River Swimming sponsored meets during the year preceding the Western Zone Meet and meet the selection criteria as outlined above.
 2. Swimmers who have met at least one Gold or Silver Standard for the meet will receive the full subsidy amount as decided upon by the House of Delegates.
 3. Swimmers who have not met at least one Gold or Silver Standard but were selected for the meet to fill relays, will receive ½ the subsidy amount.

- Proposed:**
- 1. Increase the funding for Senior Sections from 2 shares to 4 shares.**
 - 2. Add “relay only” swimmers to the shares program so it is clear whether relay only swimmers receive a reimbursement and how much they receive.**

Proposed Changes in red.

ARTICLE III SNAKE RIVER SWIMMING TRAVEL FUND

SECTION 1- ESTABLISHMENT OF THE TRAVEL FUND: Such funds will be used for the exclusive purpose of funding expenses for swimmers to attend designated meets. Designated meets will be determined at the Fall HOD meeting based on available funds and coach input.

A. PURPOSE

- 1. Shares Program:** To help fund the costs incurred by Snake River’s registered swimmers qualifying for and competing in Nationals (including meets such as Olympic Trials and US Open), Summer & Winter Juniors, National Disability Champs, National Open Water Champs, Futures, LSC Select Camps, Spring and Summer Sectionals, Summer Senior Zones, Western Zone Open Water Champs, and Spring Age Group Section competitions.
- 2. Summer Senior and Age Group Zones:** To help fund the costs incurred by each SRS registered swimmer competing in the Senior and Age Group LC Western Zone All Star meets. Amount to be funded will be determined at the fall HOD meeting annually.
- 3.** Leftover funds will be kept in the SRS Travel Fund and rolled over to the following year.
- 4.** The LSC SWIMS Chairperson will compile a list of all swimmers who have qualified for and swum in one of the designated meets to be reimbursed during the calendar year. The SWIMS Chair will also verify each swimmer meets the eligibility requirements for reimbursement. The SWIMS Chair will submit the list of swimmers to the SRS Treasurer for distribution of travel funds to Clubs within 2 weeks of the December National Championship meet.
 - a.** Eligible meets for each year and shares associated with each meet can be found on the SRS website.
 - b.** To receive funds, 19 and under swimmers must have competed in no less than three SRS sponsored meets during the calendar year.
 - c.** To receive funds, collegians must represent only their SRS team at the National meet and must have been a member of a Snake River club prior to attending college.

Current Reimbursement Amounts:

Olympic Trials	18 shares or \$900 max
Open/Nationals	15 shares or \$750 max
Juniors	12 shares or \$600 max
Open Water	9 shares or \$450 max
Select Camps	6 shares or \$300 max
Futures Meets	6 shares or \$300 max
Pro Series Meets	4 shares or \$200 max
Senior Sections (2)	2 shares or \$100 max
Age Group Sections	1 share or \$50 max

Proposed Reimbursement Amounts:

Olympic Trials	18 shares or \$900 max
Open/Nationals (2)	15 shares or \$750 max
Juniors (2 meets)	12 shares or \$600 max
Open Water Champs	9 shares or \$450 max
Disability Champs	9 shares or \$450 max
Select Camps	6 shares or \$300 max
Futures Meets	6 shares or \$300 max
Pro Series Meets	4 shares or \$200 max
Senior Sections (2)	4 shares or \$200 max
WZ Open Water Champs	2 shares or \$100 max
Age Group Sections	1 share or \$50 max
Relay Only Swimmers for Section & Above Meets	1 share or \$50 max