



**Age Group Committee Report**  
**December 8, 2025, Board of Directors Meeting**

December Committee Meeting

1. Met on December 7, 2025, Zoom Call
2. Total attendees – 4 (Attendees: Dave, Britt, Carrie, Abby)
3. Discussion topics ([Updates in Blue](#)):
  - a. Discussed status of the 2026 Age Group Zone meet from our Committee's side
    - i. Located in Gresham, Oregon on August 5-8, 2026
    - ii. Have not seen official qualifying times, but historically AAA times with AA times considered are used. Discussed the continued inclusion of swimmers with AA times as part of the Wyoming Age Group Zone Team. It was decided to continue this practice. Last year Wyoming had 160 splashes that should cover these AA swimmers. [Western Age Group Zone qualifying times appear to be the same AAA times as last year. Did not find anything giving us exceptions for a set number of splashes with AA times being allowed to swim \(Last year we were allowed 160 splashes\)](#)
    - iii. Block of rooms has been secured at the Holiday Inn Express for \$162/room (normally \$210. Approximately 12 miles from the pool. We have 12 rooms (6 double queen and 6 Kings reserved) with the Holiday Inn Express in Gresham. Called a courtesy block with no signed agreement necessary. They will hold the rooms until 2 weeks before the meet. [Britt has confirmed with Mary Ellen and the hotel that we do not need to sign anything committing Wyoming LSC to](#)
  - b. Sponsorship
    - i. Have had discussions with Arena
    - ii. They have offered to supply Arena Bags to swimmers and coaches for Age Group Zone meets



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- iii. Also give 30% discount on racing suits, training apparel, and equipment
  - iv. Wyoming will be required to list Arena as a brand partner on literature leading up to and during the competition
  - v. Wyoming will receive 1 banner with Wyoming Swimming to display at the meet
  - vi. Looking for guidance from Wyoming Swimming.
    - 1. Previous history
    - 2. Approval – who (what level) needs to approve
    - 3. Should we include Sr Zones
    - 4. Dave will attempt to get discussion on the agenda at this month's BOD meeting
  - vii. If we get positive feedback from Wyoming Swimming we will research other suppliers (TYR, Speedo)
  - viii. Discussion to be held during the BOD Meeting on December 8<sup>th</sup>. If positive feedback is received Britt will solicit offers from Speedo and TYR. Will then get approved at whatever level we need to approve and begin a sponsorship.
- c. Attract more swimmers to Age Group Zone Meet
- i. Need to get the word out sooner
  - ii. Monitor Wyoming meets on a monthly basis and contact via e-mail those that have qualified or are close to qualifying. Work with Mary Ellen to pull a list monthly. Will get with Mary Ellen to have her supply lists to Carrie with potential qualifiers on a monthly basis. Carrie will develop a canned e-mail to contact individuals who have achieved AA status. Carrie has started developing the e-mail to be sent out to qualifiers. We plan on starting this communication following the Winter State Meet.
  - iii. Set up a booth/table at winter state to get the word out. Britt to work with Gillette to make this happen. Also, we discussed having an informational meeting after prelims on Saturday to let the age group



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swimmers know of the summer long course meet. Have begun correspondence with Gillette on setting a table. May also have a drawing for swimming equipment/supplies

- d. Spring Age Group Zone Meet – informed the Committee that Wyoming does not sponsor teams at these spring championships. We do not go as a Wyoming team. These meets are generally individual team meets and not LSC meets. Individual swimmers should be eligible for the reimbursement.
    - i. Title: Mountain West Age Group Championships
    - ii. Meet is March 19-22, 2026, in Boise, ID
    - iii. Entries due by March 9, 2026
    - iv. Limited to 600 swimmers
    - v. This is a newly created meet and may be in competition with the Federal Way meet. There has been no endorsement of either by the Age Group Committee.
  - e. Discussed recruitment and retention of swimmers
    - i. Research continues. Found 2 Swimming World articles both recommending the following: Local news sources (both advertising and submitting results, social media, Facebook, etc. Also it is suggested that the teams have someone attend places where swimming is taught to identify potential swimmers
    - ii. Will research further
    - iii. Plan is to develop ideas and present to clubs who are interested in Wyoming.
    - iv. No updates on outside sources of recruitment ideas but had a discussion on how each one of our represented teams recruit swimmers.
4. Next meeting will be January 4th at 7:30