

1. Timing System Purchase

- Agreed on buying a NEW system. Items will be listed below.
 - Championship Starter System (\$1300)*
 - External Speaker for Champion Start system (\$295)*
 - Tripod with Mounting Bracket (\$200)*
 - Start System Flagpole Mount Kit (\$225) (Sold Out) but was told it will be in stock soon.*
 - Carrying case for unit (24inch protective hard case) \$159.20 (on amazon)*
 - External Strobe for Championship Starter system (\$450) (SOLD OUT)*
- These items will be stored with Ryan McCarthy.
- Head referee/official will be responsible of coordinating bringing this system to every meet in case Ryan is unable to attend.
- UNLV System needs to prioritize charging before meet
- Heritage needs new pads. Mike is working on getting new ones.
- Pavilion System needs a new mic cord and has issues with harness. Will hold off on buying a harness for now. Harness goes through attrition, being stored in humid conditions and not cleaned properly before storing at the conclusion of meet. May be going to system/GEN 7?
- Creating an equipment fund was mentioned. It was agreed to continue to use the DC fund as is for any equipment replacement or upgrades. More later on about the DC Fund uses.

2. 2024-2025 Meet Schedule

- Pumpkin Meet good for now. Will not go to following weekend on Nevada's Day. Waiting to check open water events, could go the week prior if needed.
- Proposal was brought up to split State Championships into 2 meets, 14&U States and a Senior (Open) States:
 - Senior States possibly in Feb-Mar. Keep 14&U in November.
 - Allows a prelim/finals for younger age groups and eliminates the middle session + long timelines at States.
 - What is the optimal number of swimmers to run these meets financially?
 - Point was brought up that if the North hosts, they will lose a percentage of entries since some will not travel. Senior States does not seem reasonable to host at North. 14&U States will have an impact on years when North hosts.
 - Try to keep 2:1 ratio of South/North hosting for 14&U States. Can do 1:1 to make North happy if needed.
 - Briefly discussed the possibility of combining DC Champs and Senior States.
 - Discussed leaving the 14&U States to Nevada only and opening Senior States to LSC or neighboring states.
 - Point was brought up to add a maximum time standard for Senior States.
 - Point was brought up if we will have enough officials? Is it profitable? It is agreed it is worth exploring more, but we will need more information before making any decisions.
- Swap dates for the SCS All-Star Meet and the LVSC Winter Invitational. This allows SCS All-Stars to avoid MLK weekend, and LVSC is okay with having their meet on the holiday weekend.
- Jim wants LC Opener on 4/12-13.
- Western Senior Zones moving to February (Presidents Day) at Nova.

- Move Firecracker to weekend before 4th of July. 6/27-6/29

3. Athlete Reps

- Haven't received anything from SCS.
- It was discussed to talk to swimmers at meets or host a dinner/kickoff event with athletes to discuss issues they may face at meets.
- Athletes made a recommendation to go to a closed deck for meets. Adding quality meet marshals that are paying attention more to help make this happen.
- Point was brought up to have senior swimmers get volunteer hours being a meet marshal for the 12&U session.
- DC Funds can be used for them if there is a good reason.

4. Officials/Admin

- 16 sessions minimum before becoming certified was too much, but 4 is too little.
- It was brought up that not much can be done if they complete their 4 sessions but they are still not ready. The counter to this was made to have them in positions to shadow or someone to assist them until they are ready.
- Need to be better about vetting calls. Not just waiting for a coach to challenge a ruling.
- A point was made; it is more important right now to have officials to run meets over having the best qualified officials.
- Make officials feel appreciated? Example was that Arizona purchased a bell after X years of officiating with LSC/Committee. Creating incentives for people to want to officiate, or to keep the officials we have.
- A Proposal was brought up:
 - Use DC funds to cover half of official's merchandise purchases from SCS Official Site.
 - Use DC funds to buy Committee radios to give to new officials
 - Use DC funds to cover officials gathering/events
- A point was brought up about paying meet referee and meet admin the same. Argument was made that these should not be paid positions, as all of these positions are volunteer based. Counter argument was made that many have brought up in the past that those positions want more money, not less money. Agreed to keep it the same but can work towards making it an unpaid position.
- A point was brought up about getting more people involved in admin. Training multiple admins and having a group that can help each other at meets. Still maintaining a "head admin" or someone that is in charge and paid.
- A suggestion was brought up for all teams that host a meet to have their own equipment so the meet admin does not need to provide everything

5. Committee Funds for DC Champs Medals:

- All agreed we can do this. But first, an analysis of the yearly amount the committee makes and how much we plan to spend on this is needed.