

SCS Age Group Committee

Southern California Swimming
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REGULAR MEETING REPORT

The Age Group Committee will meet on Wednesday, April 27th. The following topics will be on the agenda:

1. Assigning teams for JAG, Summer JOs, and WAG
 - Goal of team assignments going forward:
 - A rotation of sorts in terms of sites that teams attend
 - Diversity in terms of competition for our swimmers (not seeing same teams that they compete against routinely)
 - Number of participants and competitive balanced across the meets
 - The JAG team assignments have been posted. I believe that we have created three meets that are relatively balanced.
 - The JO team assignments will be completed and sent out after our committee meeting.
2. Age Group Zone Meet
 - 2022 Western Zone Age Group Championship
 - August 3-6, 2022
 - Elk Grove, CA; hosted by Sierra Nevada Swimming, Inc & Elk Grove Aquatic Club
 - Head Coaches
 - James Gallagher, FAST
 - Jake Des Roches, SAND
 - Goal is to have a coaching representative from each Geo Committee
 - Goal is to have the staff and team manager in place by May 1st.
 - The Head Coach and staff will assist in making arrangements for the swim meet
 - This will be a PARENT travel meet
 - Families responsible for athletes transportation, lodging, meals, etc
 - We plan to provide a designated hotel block for all of SCS to stay
 - Swimmers/Families will write a “downpayment check” (~\$250 give or take) that will only be cashed if swimmers/families leave Zone meet early or no show for non-medical reason
 - Main focus of the meet is promoting being part of TEAM SCS
 - In place to prevent families from leaving early or taking a spot from an athlete who was fully committed to the meet
 - Minimum time Standard will be three JAG times to be able to apply

3. The Age Group Committee will discuss and create a policy dealing with fee structures of swim meets.
 - Creating a proposal for the BoD for SCS to help host teams financially with SCS Championship Meets.
 - Need funding levels
 - Need a raise in splash fees (potentially \$0.25) to pay for this support
 - Creating a proposal for the BoD to provide freedom to our Geographic Committees to develop fee structures that work in their local communities.
 - Would be created and approved by the local geo committees
 - Would need to continue to support the LSC in whichever structure that is adopted
4. The Age Group Committee will continue the discussion about a plan to bring a “Spring JO” type meet to end the summer season.
 - This would be for Summer 2023
 - Top swimmers in the LSC would be able to race each other modeled after Spring JOs
 - The details of the plan are still developing through discussion and critique from the members of the Age Group Committee
 - The current placement of the meet would be the weekend directly before Summer JOs