

DC MEETING MINUTES – Tues 8/30/22

AGENDA

1. 2022-2023 Meet Schedule Review
 - a. Schedule
 - b. Meet Format - check in, 4hr rule, 7-8yr old swimmers, awards, tech suits
2. Athlete Reps
3. Committee Reps
 - a. Open positions
 - b. Updates from Reps
 - c. Future Meetings
 1. What are the important ones for in person?
 2. Smaller meetings moved to Zoom or eliminated

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Meet Schedule/Format Review:

- DC Meet schedule is confirmed
 - Add Pac Coast All Stars 11-14 on Jan 7&8
 - JO Summer All Star Meet moved Aug 3-6
 - Western Age Group Zones Cancelled
- Teams – Watch out for WAG site request email and please respond even if not attending
- WAG qual times will be released soon and are a little softer
- Vegas Meet Format Discussion:
 - Awards are up to each team; we are back to using National standards
 - Awards are most important for younger and slower swimmers
- Check in should be resumed at local meets as a practice for Jos
 - Online check in options to be explored by individual teams
- Make sure coaches are registered – need to check in each meet
- SCS rules:
 - Meet form dictates if 7-8 can swim across multiple age groups, it is not an SCS rule
 - Swimmer CANNOT swim the same event twice at a meet
 - Swimmers cannot swim multiple sessions in a day
 - Tech suits are allowed 13&over, meet form dictates
- Need for Novice local meets
 - Making sure novice and skilled in town get benefit
 - In general – encourage and incentivize these meets
 - Can be smaller and ease the burden on officials, and also ease timeline on meets with higher skill level swimmers
- Options for Pumpkin Meet Timeline
 - To be discussed among SAND organizers
 - Separate distance meet – probably too cumbersome to put together
 - How to satisfy 11-12 or older “novice” mile swimmers?

Athlete Reps

- All teams requested to submit 1-2 swimmers for DC Athlete Rep Committee
 - Submit athlete AND parent name, email phone to Cheryl and Pete
- Original focus of athlete reps – safesport and promotion. Starting from scratch now, let's try to set it to be effective
- One DC committee together, elect Jr/Sr rep in October
- Learning curve for athletes is long and this can lead to ineffectiveness. Need a chain that builds better where younger reps fill in older reps
- Reps need a mentor – Cheryl volunteered
- Minimum age – undecided? SCS requires 14, but a mature 13 year old would be ok
- 1 vote for Jr and Sr rep

DC Committee

- Vacant Positions
 - Pete to continue Chair role
 - Michael Vice Chair
 - Tyler Secretary
 - Diversity Chair – TBD – Kirk Javillo recommended
 - Athlete reps – TBD
- Fitter Faster Clinic – 10% kick back to Desert Committee, info was forwarded over email
- Rep Updates:
 - Officials:
 - Each team should designate one officials rep who should reach out to Shay to help coordinate interested new officials and recert current officials
 - Tap into parents of younger swimmers
 - Smaller meets offer shorter sessions
 - Meet sanction will have to go through USA Swimming soon, send to SCS now if you can to be grandfathered in
 - Operational Risk:
 - Register your coaches
 - Virtual elections Nov 17
 - Jobs are available for anyone interested
 - Open Water:
 - Late entries available for San Diego
 - All other chairs – no update (Age Group updates listed in schedule above)
- Future Meetings
 - We will go down to 2 in person meetings per year
 - Evaluate next year if we need more or less
 - Majority of info will be distributed over email, votes if needed
 - Zoom meeting an option if a topic comes up that is needed