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**Proposed by: Athletes Committee**

 Reason: We want to change the age that athlete reps have to be because we view the Area Athlete Representative position as a stepping stone to potentially becoming Junior Rep. Ideally, someone would be an Area Rep as a freshman and learn about being an athlete rep and if it is something they want to continue with. Then, if they are elected, they would be Junior Rep as a sophomore and Senior Rep as a junior. This will also allow people finish their position with enough time to be an Athlete at Large if they choose.

We also want to change the date that the Junior Rep is elected so that they can go to the USAS Convention right away. This will help to get the new Rep involved quickly, and educated more about their position so that they can contribute more to Oregon Swimming.

**604.1.3**

.3 Athlete Representatives - Two (2) Athlete Representatives shall be elected, one each year for a two-year term, or until their respective successors are elected. The Athlete Representatives of OSI member clubs, the current Junior and Senior Athlete Representatives, as well as any At-Large Athlete Representatives, and the Area Athlete Representatives shall be eligible to vote for the Junior Athlete Representative. The Junior Athlete term of office shall begin ~~January 1~~ September 1. At the time of election, the Athlete Representative must (a) be an Athlete Member in good standing; (b) ~~be at least sixteen(16) years of age or at least a sophomore in high school~~ be at least fifteen (15) years of age or at least a freshman in high school; (c) be currently competing, or have competed during the three (3) immediately preceding years, in the program of swimming conducted by OSI or another LSC; and (d) have his or her place of permanent residence in the Territory and expect to reside therein throughout at least the first half of the term (Other than periods of enrollment in an institution of higher education). At least two additional At-Large Athlete Representatives shall be elected. At the time of election, the At-Large Athlete Representatives shall comply with (a), (b) and (d) above. At-Large Athlete Representatives may meet the conditions of (c) above, or have represented OSI or the United States in competition within the ten (10) years preceding their election. ~~The election will be held during the annual OSI House of Delegates when other elections are held~~ The election will be held between July 17-31 via electronic means. The At-Large Athlete Representatives will serve until their successors are elected. Additional At-Large Athlete Representatives shall be elected to satisfy the minimum 20% athlete representation requirement.

606.2.4

.4 The Athlete Representatives of OSI member clubs, the current Junior and Senior

Athlete Representatives, as well as any At-Large Athlete Representatives, and the Area Athlete Representatives shall elect the Junior Athlete Representative ~~at the OSI House of Delegates meeting~~  between July 17-31. The existing Junior Athlete Representative shall advance to the Senior Athlete Representative.

**BL-2 ACTION: ADOPTED ADOPTED/AMENDED DEFEATED POSTPONED PULLED TABLED**

**Proposed by: Emily Melina Age Group Chair and George Sampson Coach Representative**

Reason: Over the past several Zone cycles, we’ve had multiple mid-term vacancies with both the Zone/All-Star head coach and Zone/All-Star manager positions. As it is now, it’s virtually impossible to hire a replacement mid-term, especially when it’s short notice leading up to a meet which leads to scrambling and unnecessary stress both on the staff and the athletes. Additionally, given that these are paid positions, the employees are entitled to labor and HR rights that we are unable to currently ensure with our current system.

606.2 Elections

.1 The House of Delegates, at its annual meeting, shall elect all elective positions as per 606.1. The House of Delegates shall also elect the Administrative Review Board (see section 610.3.3), and the Nominating Committee (see section 604.8.1).

.2 ~~The Oregon Swim Coaches Association shall elect the Coach Representative, the Head Zone/All-Star Coach and the Zone/All-Star Team Manager.~~ The Head Zone/All-Star Coach and Zone/All-Star Team Manager are hired and supervised by the OSI Board of Directors. The Zone/All-Star Coach and Zone/All-Star Team Manager report directly to the Administrative Chair and Age Group Chair along with the OSCA Coach Representative.

**BL-3 ACTION: ADOPTED ADOPTED/AMENDED DEFEATED POSTPONED PULLED TABLED**

**Proposed by David Galbraith - Treasurer**

Reason: In order to stay in line with our Bylaws and direction from USA Swimming

606.8.3

.3 Treasurer:

L Subject to the approval of the Board of Directors, shall appoint an independent third party individual(s) or financial services organization to complete regular periodic reconciliation, at the direction of the Board of Directors, of OSI financial accounts and shall cause the resulting reconciliation reports to be delivered to the Board of Directors.

**PP-1 ACTION: ADOPTED ADOPTED/AMENDED DEFEATED POSTPONED PULLED TABLED**

**Proposed by OSI Board of Directors**

Reason: To provide financial support to swimmers and coaches attending open water nationals and those attending both Trials or US Open and Juniors or Nationals, within the same season

**Article V**

**Section II- USA Swimming National, Futures, Zone, Open Water and Disability Championships**

1. **Purpose –** To reimburse part of the travel costs of OSI swimmers and coaches competing in/attending USA Swimming Senior/Junior National, Olympic Trials, Futures, Open Water Nationals, Western Zones, and Disability Championships or members of OSI clubs who are members of USA teams in international competition when said championships are outside OSI boundaries.
2. **Allocation and Distribution of Funds**

**1.Allocation –** Funds for Championship travel shall be derived from the swimmer surcharge and a portion of individual/relay entry fee(s) collected from OSI sanctioned competitions plus any funds or donations obtained for the specific purpose of supporting authorized Championship travel. OSI may elect to allocate additional funds from other sources, including all fines collected for proof of time penalties, late reports, etc.

**2.** **Distribution –** The ratio of reimbursement shall be calculated so that JR meet participants receive approximately 75% of the amount allocated for SR meets, adjusted for location factors. Members of OSI clubs who are members of USA teams in international competition shall be reimbursed at the SR rate. Open Water National meet participants will be reimbursed at the SR rate. WZ Meet participants will receive lesser amount as shown in the table below. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in Article V, Section II, c, 6; for Relay Only swimmers each club will receive 25% of the reimbursement listed in the table following Section II, b, 2 for each relay-only swimmer, who competes at the meet, up to a maximum of four relay only swimmers for the meet.

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| Zonez | States for each Zone | SRy | JRx | Futures | WZ (Age Group) |
| 1 | Federal Way | $500  | $400  | $300  | $250  |
| 2 | California, Arizona, Utah | $600  | $500  | $400  | $350  |
| 3 | Texas, North Dakota, Colorado, Minnesota | $700  | $600  | $500  | $450  |
| 4 | Hawaii, Florida, Indiana, Nebraska, Tennessee, New York, Alabama | $800  | $700  | $600  | $550  |
| z Except when expenses are paid by USA Swimming or some other organizations. Total |
| reimbursement from all sources not to exceed actual costs. |  |   |
| y SR: US Trial and Selection meets, Senior Nationals, US Open, Open Water Nationals, National  |
| Disability Championships and International Meets (i.e. World Cup, Goodwill Games, etc). |
| x JR: USA Swimming Junior Nationals |  |  |   |
| w WZ Meet: Western Zone Meet |  |  |  |   |
| v. 15-Over swimmers would receive 100% reimbursement money their first two years for WZ |
| competition, but would be eligible for only 50% reimbursement money if they chose to attend |
| the zone meet in subsequent years. |   |   |   |   |
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1. **Eligibility**
2. The swimmer/coach must be an OSI athlete member
3. The swimmer/coach must compete in an individual event at one of the following USA Swimming Sanctioned meets: Olympic Trials, Senior Nationals, US Open, National Disability Championships, USA Jr. Nationals, Futures, Open Water Nationals and Western Zone Championships. Relay only swimmers are subject to conditions outlined elsewhere in this section.
4. Clarification:
5. Funding will be available for a single meet within a given season except in Olympic years when funding will be available to athletes and coaches who complete or coach at Trials and Juniors, Nationals, or US Open within the same season

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**Proposed by Julie Carpenter and Official’s Task Force**

Reason: It is critical that all teams participating in swim meets provide officials to ensure a fair and equitable competition and as part of a participating team’s responsibility. In addition, USA Swimming requires a minimum number of officials for times to be valid.

**Article II – Sanctions**

**Section II – Procedures**

G. Sanction requests must name an Administrative Official.

**Article VIII – Competitive Swim Program**

**Section II – Types of Competition**

1. **General –** A competition may consist of any combination of meet categories, types of meets, and classification of swimmers.
2. **Meet Categories**
3. **Open** – All registered swimmers may enter. (LCM AB meets are open meets). Priority for entries may be given to those teams that commit to providing officials based on the OSI Suggested Standards.

**ARTICLE IX – CONDUCTING A MEET**

**Section II – Meet Preparation**

1. **Meet Information/Announcement**
2. **Format** – Meet announcement shall constitute the invitation for qualified swimmers and/or clubs to submit entries for the meet. The form shall be such that it includes the recommended configuration as shown below, with master entry forms, and an entry summary sheet, if applicable. Specific instructions regarding event entry procedures shall be included. (i.e. whether entry cards are used, etc.)

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|  |   |   | **REQUIRED FORM OF MEET ANNOUNCEMENT** |   |   |
| ✻ | Heading - Meet Name, Meet Type, Dates | ✻ | Facility |  |  |   |
| ✻ | Statement - Held under the Sanction of | ✻ | Restrictions |  |  |   |
|   | United States Swimming, Inc | ✻ | On Deck Changing Prohibition |   |
| ✻ | Sanction Number - x-xxx |  | ✻ | Time Standards |  |   |
| ✻ | Host/Sponsor |  | ✻ | Rules |  |  |   |
| ✻ | Location |  |  | ✻ | Safety Procedures |  |   |
| ✻ | Eligibility Statementz |  | ✻ | Bull Pen (if applicable) |  |   |
| ✻ | Disability Statement |  | ✻ | Awards |  |  |   |
| ✻ | Entry Deadline |  | ✻ | Scoring (if applicable) |  |   |
| ✻ | Entry Limit |  |  | ✻ | Meetings |  |  |   |
| ✻ | Entry Fees |  |  | ✻ | Meet Referee w/~~phone~~ e-mail |   |
| ✻ | Entry Address |  | ✻ | Admin Official  |  |   |
| ✻ | Entry Instruction |  | ✻ | Invitation to Officials |  |   |
| ✻ | Check-in (if applicable) |  | ✻ | Invitation/instructions for timer |   |
|   |  |  |  | ✻ | Recording devices in locker rooms |   |
|   |  |  |  | ✻ | Photography is not allowed behind blocks during  |
|   |  |  |  |  | starts and relay exchanges |   |
|   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |   |
|   | z This section shall contain the statement "No on-deck registrations shall be permitted." |

**NOTE:** *Using the above form for meet announcement assists in establishing uniformity and consistency. Items not applicable may be omitted. Each sanction package contains more detailed instructions for meet information.*

1. **Change of Format –** Any change from the approved format shall be submitted for approval to the Schedule Committee and the General Chair a minimum of two months prior to the meet. All changes must be approved prior to issuance of sanction.
2. **Mailing –** Meet announcement shall be mailed to invited Clubs/Swimmers and the OSI office thirty days prior to beginning of meet.
3. **Officials –** The host club shall invite a certified Meet Referee, and for sanctioned meets, must include their name on the sanction application. A certified Administrative Official must be included on the sanction application. Meet Referees should be included in the review process for the meet announcement and meet planning.

**ARTICLE IX
Section III – Entry Procedures**

1. **~~Method of Entry~~ Entry Process-** Entry forms, provided by the host club, Hy-Tek CommLink electronic entry file, or entry cards, at the discretion of the host club, may be required to properly enter swimmers and relay teams in a meet. If Hy-Tek entry file is used all information that would be included on the Master Entry Form and Relay Entry Form shall be included in the Hy-Tek entry file.

**ARTICLE IX**

**Section III**

1. **Entry Submissions**
2. Entry fees, as specified above, shall accompany the entry forms.
3. Submission – Entries and fees shall be hand delivered, mailed by first class postage or sent electronically early enough to arrive by the entry deadline to the person designated in the meet information.
4. Certification of Registration – With submission of entries, the coach/team representative attests that all swimmers entered are registered with USA Swimming.
5. Late Entries – may be accepted or rejected, as specified in the meet information.
6. Entry Corrections – As a general rule, administrative errors by the host club, as verified by correct entry submittal, will be remedied. Entry submittal errors by the participating club may or may not be remedied, at the discretion of the Meet Referee.
7. Priority for entries may be given to those teams that commit to provide officials based on the OSI Suggested Standards:
8. 0 to 5 Athletes entered in a session: No Need to provide officials.
9. 6-20 Athletes entered in a session: 1 certified official per session.
10. 21 or more Athletes entered in a session: 2 certified officials per session.

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**Proposed by Jody Rash Head All-Star/Zone Coach**

**Proposal: To increase the size of the Oregon Zone Travel Team to 60 athletes**

**Reason:** It is more cost-effective for both Oregon Swimming and Oregon athletes to take 60 athletes to zones than it is to take 48. This is due to certain fixed costs (such as ground transportation) being spread over a greater number of athletes, as well as savings received from purchasing airfare and hotel rooms in greater quantities. Increasing the size of the travel team to 60 athletes gives more Oregon athletes the opportunity to benefit from the positive experience of a team travel/championship meet experience, which in turn increases the level of competitive excellence in Oregon Swimming.

**2018 Budget Option #1(details attached) –** 60 athletes and 8 adults: 5 coaches, 2 chaperones, 1 manager. OSI Travel Funding remains the same as 2017 (48 x $350/athlete = $16,800)

\*Cost to athletes: $900 (same as 2017)

\*Cost to OSI: $8,478 ($320 less than 2017)

**2018 Budget Option #2 (attached) –** 60 athletes and 8 adults, 5 coaches, 1 manager. OSI Travel Funding covers all 60 athletes x $350/athlete ($21,000)

\*Cost to athletes: $825 ($75 less than 2017)

\*Cost to OSI: $8,478 ($320 less than 2017)

**PP-4 ACTION: ADOPTED ADOPTED/AMENDED DEFEATED POSTPONED PULLED TABLED**

**Proposed by Jody Rash Head All-Star/Zone Coach**

**Proposal: Return the opportunity of zone team membership to Oregon’s 10&U athletes.**

**Reason:** The mission of Oregon Swimming – “To build and promote the sport of competitive swimming for the benefit of all swimmers to achieve their maximum potential” – is best served by a Zone Team that creates opportunities at every level of Oregon Swimming for athletes to achieve competitive excellence and success at the Western Age Group Zone Championships. This necessitates serious consideration of returning the opportunity of Zone Team membership to Oregon’s 10&U athletes.

**Observation #1:**

The addition of a 10&U squad of up to 12 athletes, plus one dedicated 10&U Coach, and one dedicated 10&U Chaperone (Budget Options #3&4) is both financially feasible and cost-effective for both Oregon Swimming and Oregon Athletes.

**2018 Budget Option #3 (attached) –** 60 athletes and 10 adults: 6 coaches, 3 chaperones, 1 manager. OSI Travel Funding remains the same as 2017 (48x$350/athletes = $16,800)

\*Cost to athletes: $950 ($50 more than 2017)

\*Cost to OSI: $8,405 ($393 less than 2017)

**2018 Budget Option #4 (attached) –** 60 athletes and 10 adults: 6 coaches, 3 chaperones, 1 manager. OSI Travel Funding covers all 60 athletesX$350/athlete ($21,000)

\*Cost to athletes: $85 ($25 less than 2017)

\*Cost to athletes: $8,705 ($93 less than 2017)

**Observation #2:**

Out of 17 LSC’s at the 2017 AG Zone Meet, Oregon was the only LSC that did not have 10&U athletes competing as part of the LSC Zone Team. The inclusion of 10&U athletes on the Oregon Zone Team creates the opportunity for these athletes to gain valuable travel team experience in an atmosphere of competitive excellence. These are experiences that all Zone Athletes bring back to their teams, which in turn raises the level of excellence of age group swimming in Oregon.

**Observation #3:**

The focus of the Age Group Zone Meet is moving in the direction of a high-level championship event, with such changes as skits and games being moved to either before or after the meet itself, live streaming of the event potentially being added, and the scoring of relays being extended to top 16, as with individual events.

**Observation #4:**

Oregon’s 48 athletes earned a total of 1108 points, with 99 Top 16 finishes, of which 47 were Top 8, and 7 were Top 3 including one first place finish.

The theoretical addition of a 10&U squad, comprised of the top 6 10&U girls and top 6 10&U boys from the 2017 OSI 10&U Summer Championships, demonstrates the competitive excellence of this group – these 12 athletes would have scored an estimated 477 additional points, including three first place finishes, 4 second place finishes, a total of 22 Top 8 finishes, and a total of 40 Top 16 finishes. With these 10&U athletes as part of Team Oregon, the final score would have easily placed Oregon as high as 5th, and potentially 4th, or even within reach of 3rd place. Having a team score that is truly reflective of the level of competitive excellence of Oregon’s athletes is an honor that every Team Oregon member proudly contributes to achieving.

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In all applicable documents that position formerly known as “Safety Chair” has been renamed and will be changed to “Operational Risk Management Chair”.