



**AGE GROUP DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE
APPROVED MINUTES**

Date: October 15th, 2024

Respectfully Submitted by Tristan Formon

CALL TO ORDER 12:02pm EST (Quorum)

SEPTEMBER MINUTES MSA (Tris, Kevin)

COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Liz Kershaw Committee Chair

Olga Espinosa Coach - Rep to SRDC

Tristan Formon Coach - Rep to DEI

Kevin Milak Coach

Alexis Mendenhall Coach

John Nelson Coach

David Orr Coach

Mona Nyheim-Canales Coach **(Absent)**

Cammile Adams Athlete **(Absent)**

Tessa Bartlette Athlete **(Absent)**

Ally Dheeradhada Athlete

Aubrey Nelson Athlete

Paul Donovan - SRDC Rep

Michael Lawrence - CAC Rep

Dana Skelton Staff

Mariah Carnahan - Staff **(Absent)**

Guests:

MISSION STATEMENT

To plan for the needs of the Age Group level of our sport. To generate, evaluate, and communicate ideas, which will assist USA Swimming in planning and developing quality age group swimming programs

RESPONSIBILITIES

To conduct an ongoing evaluation of the local and national age-group programs.

To develop and submit proposals to provide for the long-range planning of age-group swimming.

To encourage the development of programs that promote participation.

To oversee recognition for age group swimmers.

To communicate with and provide education and direction for the age group chairs in each LSC.

To develop programs to assist athletes in transitioning from Age Group to Senior.

To advise and consult with the Sports Development Division regarding camps, including open water.

To promote the inclusion of open water at all levels, including LSC competitions, LSC Championships, and Zone meets.

- Update from DEI, CAC and SRDC

DEI – DEI Leadership Summit held in conjunction with the ABM was a tremendous networking opportunity permitted Zones to come together. Goals to reach underserved / represented communities and continue to build the base.

SRDC – Paul: Focused on QTs for Jr Nats. Some discussions around venues, numbers etc. impacts on QTs. Looking at National Jnr Team Camps. This prompted discussions around NAG records and whether this falls under SRDC or AGDC and an importable file for NAG records for meet hosts.

CAC – Michael: reviewing the ABM. Moving forward with appointing coaches to committees.

- **BLOCK PARTY RECAP**

Liz asked if everyone received BP documentation sent out thus far. There's a tremendous amount of crossover between BP and work done by AGDC over the past few years (DCC etc)

- **SUCCESSION PLANNING AG CHAIRS**

AGDC will work collaboratively with LSC Development on succession planning.

- **Open Floor**

Lots of discussion around LSCs potentially seeking to create their own version of Block Party.

Some updates on where clubs, LSCs, areas are following the recent hurricanes.

TENTATIVE MEETING SCHEDULE

- November 2nd 8pm
- December tabled until November to postpone or hold

ADJOURNMENT 12:32pm MSA (David, Tris)