

USA Swimming Athletes' Advisory Council Minutes

March 8, 2023 / Virtual Meeting

Present: Nicolas Fink, Melanie Margalis, Amanda Weir, Andrew Wilson, and Tom Shields

Absent: Caitlin Leverenz Smith, Michael Klueh, Anthony Ervin, Ashley Twichell, Jack Nowacek, Matthew Rigsbee

Guests: Lindsay Mintenko, Michelle Steinfeld

Call to Order: Nic Fink called the March 8 meeting of the Athletes' Advisory Council to order at 10:00am MST.

Conflict of Interest Disclosure:

Agenda:

- LEN Competition

Discussion: Lindsay Mintenko discussed the US sending a delegation to the LEN Competition and the proposed details for the competition.

- LEN 19-23 Championships:
 - August 11-13, 2023
 - Team travel August 7-14
 - Dublin, Ireland
 - 19-23U athletes
 - Only 2 mixed relays
 - 3 -day prelim/ final
- We are planning to send 7m/7w to participate in these championships, based on LEN requirements and budget (we are currently asking the USOPC for a grant).
- We will be selecting this team at Phillips 66 Nationals in Indy at the end of June.
- The group discussed the selection of this team and where the AAC would like this to fall under the priorities.
- Current Selection priorities:
 - World Champs
 - World Juniors
 - Pan Ams
 - LEN Championships, NCAA eligible athletes will have the option to decline Pan Ams to attend LEN Championships.

AAC agreed with the concept after discussion regarding the complication of the selection process.

Michelle Steinfeld asked for approval of KAF 2.0 of Mel Margalis, Ashley Twichell and Marko Grecco approved by AAC.

Adjournment: Nic Fink adjourned the March 8 meeting of the Athletes' Advisory Council at 10:20am MST.