



Club Development Committee

Meeting Minutes

Wednesday January 14th 2025
10:00am, Mountain

USA Swimming Mission: USA Swimming is the National Governing Body for the sport of swimming. We administer competitive swimming in accordance with the Olympic & Amateur Sports Act. We provide programs and services for our members, supporters, affiliates, and the interested public. We value these members of the swimming community, and the staff and volunteers who serve them. We are committed to excellence and the improvement of our sport. We are committed to providing a safe and positive environment for all members.

Committee Mission: Assists USA Swimming in developing and promoting the success of Open Water Swimming programs at all levels of competition

USA Swimming Priority Results:

1. USA Swimmers achieve sustained competitive success at the Olympic Games and other high-level international competitions.
2. Members have and use resources for sustainable success.
3. There is growth in swimming participation and interest.
4. USA Swimming is recognized as the “Best in Class” National Governing Body.

Type of Meeting: Selection Criteria for Worlds Discussion

Roll call

Present: Catherine Case (Chair), Ron Aitken, Brennan Gravley, Ron Aitken, John Payne, Sid Cassidy, Cory Chitwood, Mohammed Khadembashi

Staff: Bryce Elser (Lead), Karin Olmsted

Not Present: Erica Sullivan

I. Introduction

Intro Karin Olmsted, new to committee but not new to OW. Was on 2011 and 2015 Pan American Games Trip, 2013 Worlds and 4 OW Camps.

II. Discussion of World Selection Criteria

- Bryce Presented 2 Options for discussion as lead into 2028.
- Relay and Knockouts are now considered in the selection criteria
- Does the committee look ahead and re-evaluate for 2026?

III. Items for next call

- Bryce to take an Option 3 language to Michelle and discuss with Committee on 1/29 at 10am MST.
- Race Funding Discussion
- Decision on camp in Australia
- What does 2026 look like?