



**Safe Sport Committee Meeting Minutes**  
**May 13, 2024**  
**8:00 – 9:00 PM ET**

**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:** To support USA Swimming’s commitment to provide a healthy and safe environment free from abuse for all its members, especially athletes, through the planning, implementation, and coordination of USA Swimming’s Safe Sport program.

**USA Swimming Priority Results:**

1. USA Swimming 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.

**Confirmation of requirements for committee participation:**

1. Current USA Swimming membership (APT, BGC, CPT, safety certifications as required by membership type)
2. USA Swimming Conflict of Interest Statement  
<https://fs22.formsite.com/usaswimming/25czyvtwbf/index.html>

**Roll Call**

**Present:** (Chair) Maja Palmroos, Pierre Guzman, April Walkley, Audrey Cohen, Leo Gibbons, Will Gallagher, Elizabeth Antenucci, Sarah Bollman, Paul Stauder, Staff- Elizabeth Hahn

**Not Present:** Sondra Hunt, Madison Kennedy, Steve Frye

1. Safe Sport Mission Statement
2. Staff Updates
  - a. Olympic Trials in Indianapolis
    - i. Safe Sport will be presenting at both the National Diversity Camp & the Central Zone Athlete Leadership Summit.
    - ii. Safe Sport will have a presence in the AquaZone with an interactive racing competition.
  - b. MAAPP
    - i. The Center came back with feedback to our submitted revisions to MAAPP. We will continue to work with them to get to an approved version that will go live in September 2024.



- c. Legislation
  - i. The proposed legislation that this committee was ready to support for the Registration Committee, does not need to go to Rules and Regulations after all, it can be changed and approved through the Board of Directors with a bylaw change. This will be circled back to in the fall.
- 3. Subcommittees
  - a. Grassroot
    - i. The group has discussed putting together a survey to get a better update from clubs and LSCs.
  - b. Education
    - i. Training on reporting. Two sessions. One for athletes with support from Elizabeth Antenucci.
    - ii. Think about training on supporting athletes in toxic cultures and resources for this.
  - c. SSRP
    - i. Ideas: Have a team do a video for the newsletter, make club excellence a requirement to be Safe Sport Recognized, talk with Team Service Advisors about things that might have helped from when they were coaches.
  - d. Zones
    - i. Working on consistency on the Zone websites.
    - ii. Send block party questions to staff.
    - iii. Meet Marshalling is coming up. We need to make sure that everyone is consistent with what they are doing and requiring.
- 4. Next meeting July 8<sup>th</sup>.
- 5. Adjourn