

**USA Swimming Steering Committee Meeting Minutes
November 25, 2024 / Virtual Meeting**

Present Virtual: Bob Bowman, Carli Brashier (staff liaison), Frank Busch (Chair), Carol Capitani, Natalie Coughlin Hall, Todd DeSorbo, Melanie Margalis Fink, Bruce Gemmell, Lilly King, Caitlin Leverenz Smith, Jaime Lewis, Greg Meehan, Anthony Nesty, Ginny Nussbaum, Chris Plumb, Kieran Smith

Absent: Ron Aitken, Matt Kredich, Tad Kremen, Andrew Wilson

Guests: Matt Barbini, Bryce Elser, Shana Ferguson, Brendan Hansen, Keenan Robinson

Call to Order: Committee Chair Mr. Frank Busch called the November 25, 2024 meeting of the National Team Steering Committee to order at 11:03 AM Mountain Time on November 25, 2024.

Conflict of Interest Disclosure: Committee members were asked to disclose conflicts of interest by raising their hands if 1) they have an athlete(s) on the National Team or National Junior Team, 2) they are an athlete currently on the National Team, and/or 3) they have a spouse on the National Team.

Pursuant to the direction of the USA Swimming Ethics Committee, the following coaches raised their hand to acknowledge that they coach one or more current National Team athletes: Bob Bowman, Carol Capitani, Todd DeSorbo, Greg Meehan, Anthony Nesty, and Chris Plumb. The following athletes raised their hand to acknowledge that they are current National Team athletes: Lilly King and Kieran Smith. The following raised their hand that her spouse is a current National Team athlete: Melanie Margalis Fink.

Welcome: Mr. Busch welcomed the Committee and expressed his excitement at being the Chair. He said the focus of the meeting would be selecting the training camp location prior to the start of competition in Los Angeles for the 2028 Olympic Games.

2028 Olympic Team Training Camp Location: Carli Brashier, Director, International Games Operations, provided a presentation on the pros and cons of various training camp locations leading into the 2028 Olympic Games. The Committee asked questions and discussed the pros and cons of the various training camp locations, including the use of outdoor facilities and the need to be mindful of water and air temperature; controlling what we can through the use of temporary structures to shade the pools as well as the use of aerators; the need for short course water; using the best facility possible; and being mindful of training times to avoid training during the hottest times of the day. The Committee ultimately approved a location, to be announced publicly at a later date. It was noted that the Athletes' Advisory Council would be made aware of this decision during their December 20, 2024 meeting.

Adjournment: Mr. Busch adjourned the meeting of the Steering Committee on November 25, 2024 at 11:40 AM Mountain Time.