

**USA Swimming Steering Committee Meeting Minutes**  
**February 1, 2024 / Virtual Meeting**

**Present Virtual:** Todd DeSorbo, Anthony Nesty, Bruce Gemmell (Chair), Carol Capitani, Matt Kredich, Jaime Lewis, Lindsay Mintenko (Staff Leader), Carliann Brashier (Staff Liaison), Caitlin Leverenz-Smith, Ginny Nussbaum

**Absent:** Cammile Adams, Gunnar Bentz, Bob Bowman, Dave Durden, Connor Jaeger, Catherine Kase, Greg Meehan, Katie Meili, Tad Kremen, Davis Tarwater

**Guests:** Matt Barbini

**Call to Order:** Committee Chair Mr. Bruce Gemmell called the February 1, 2024 meeting of the Steering Committee to order at 10:02 AM Mountain Time. It was noted that a quorum had not been met and thus any motions would be put forth to the entire Committee via email to be voted upon.

**Olympic Trials Event Order:** Ms. Lindsay Mintenko, Managing Director, National Team, provided an update regarding the Olympic Games order of events. The Committee discussed changing the order of events at U.S. Olympic Team Trials – Swimming to match the Olympic Games order of events. A motion was drafted to be sent to the Committee and voted on via email by Friday, February 2 at 5:00 pm MT.

**Note:** On February 6, 2024, the Committee approved changing the order of events for the U.S. Olympic Team Trials – Swimming to match the Olympic Games order of events via Action Without a Meeting.

**2025 Worlds Selection Discussion:** The Committee continued the discussion from the January 12, 2024 meeting regarding selection of the 2025 World Aquatics Championships (long course meters (“LCM”)) Team via a selection competition or paper selection. Ms. Caitlin Leverenz-Smith, who also serves as Chair of the Athletes’ Advisory Council (AAC), provided feedback from the AAC, stating that the clear consensus was to hold a selection competition in 2025. After further discussion, the Committee asked Ms. Leverenz-Smith to seek input from additional athletes from the 2023 World Aquatics Championships Team.

**Note:** On February 2, 2024, Ms. Mintenko provided the Committee with additional feedback received by Ms. Leverenz-Smith from the 2023 World Championships Team via email. With responses from half of the team, it was unanimous that the athlete preference was to hold a selection competition in 2025 to select the Worlds Championships (LCM), World University Games, and World Junior Championships Teams. Ms. Mintenko provided information regarding the dates to hold this selection competition to accommodate the timing of the World University Games. A motion was put forth to the Committee to vote on via email by February 5, 2024 at 5:00 pm MT regarding hosting the 2025 selection meet with tentative dates. On February 6, 2024, the Committee approved hosting a 2025 selection meet via Action Without a Meeting.

**Adjournment:** Mr. Gemmell adjourned the meeting of the Steering Committee on February 1, 2024 at 10:25 AM Mountain Time.