2015 Summer (Long-Course) Schedule			
May 29 - 30	Milbank, SD (MALS)	-	
Jun 6	Watertown, SD (WASC)	-	
Jun 12 – 14	Brookings, SD (BSC)	-	
Jun 13	Chamberlain, SD (CST)		
Jun 19 – 21	Aberdeen, SD (ASC)	-	
Jun 19 – 21	Huron, SD (HPRW)	-	
Jun 20 - 21	Yankton, SD (YST)	-	
Jun 26 – 28	Rapid City, SD (RCR)	-	
Jun 26 – 28	Mitchell, SD (MAC)	-	
Jun 27	Britton, SD (BST)	-	
Jun 29	Webster (WST) 12 & U		
Jul 9 – 12	Sioux Falls, SD (SFX)		
Jul 10 – 11	Webster, SD (WST)	-	
Jul 17 - 19	B Championship – Rapid City, SD Closed		
Jul 24 – 26	State Championship – Huron, SD Closed		
Jul 31 – Aug 2	Seasonal Championships – Mitchell, SD	Closed	

2015 -2016 Winter (Short-Course) Schedule			
Oct 10	Brookings, SD (BSC)	Intra-Squad	
Oct 10	Deadwood (DL76)	_	
Oct 24	Watertown, SD (WASC)	A	
Oct 31	Aberdeen, SD (ASC	Intra-Squad	
Oct 31 – Nov 1	Sioux Falls, SD (MAC)		
Nov 7 – 8	Pierre, SD (PST)	-	
Nov 14	Yankton (YST)	-	
Nov 14 – 15	Brookings, SD (BSC)	-	
Nov 21	Spearfish, SD (GOLD)	-	
Nov 21	Aberdeen, SD (ASC)	Invite/Dual	
Dec 4 - 6	Pierre, SD (MAC)	-	
Dec 11 – 13	Rapid City, SD (RCR)		
Dec 12	Yankton, SD (YSC)	-	
Jan 9 – 10	Deadwood, SD (DL76)		
Jan 22 – 24	Sioux Falls, SD (SEAL)		
Jan 23 – 24	Aberdeen, SD (ASC)		
Jan 30 – 31	Watertown (WASC)		
Jan 31	Spearfish, SD (GOLD)	_	

Feb 6 - 7	Brookings, SD (BSC)	-
Feb 13 -14	Pierre, SD (PST)	-
Feb 26 - 28	B Championship – TBD	Closed
Mar 4 - 6	State Championship – Sioux Falls (SFX) Closed	
Mar 10 – 13	Sectionals, Pleasant Prairie, WI	Closed

2016 Summer (Long-Course) Schedule			
Jun 4	Watertown, SD (WASC)	-	
Jun 10 – 12	Brookings, SD (BSC)	_	
Jun 17 – 19	Aberdeen, SD (ASC)		
Jun 17 – 19	Huron, SD (HPRW)	-	
Jun 18 - 19	Yankton, SD (YST)	-	
Jun 24 – 26	Rapid City, SD (RCR)	-	
Jun 24 – 26	Mitchell, SD (MAC)		
Jun 25	Britton, SD (BST)	-	
Jul 22 - 24	B Championship – Aberdeen, SD (ASC) Closed		
Jul 29 – 31	State Championship – Rapid City, SD (RCR) Closed		
Aug 5 – 7	Seasonal Champs – Huron, SD Closed		

Name: Josh Sorbe Club: Brookings Swim Club Position: SD Swimming BOD Athlete Rep

Proposal template: Proposal must include both the current and new language if applicable.

Current bylaw or policy section and language:

N/A - proposed addition to Policies & Procedures Rule 1: Membership/Registration

Proposed bylaw or policy section and language:

<u>Policies & Procedures Rule 1.5: Media Outlets</u>: As outlined in the SD Swimming By-Laws, the athlete and coach representatives serve as liaisons between their represented groups and the BOD/HOD. In order to extend this reach to the public, these selected representatives will implement and oversee the South Dakota Swimming social media outlets (i.e. Facebook pages).

- (1) Duties Duties for the oversight and implementation of the media outlets are as follows:
 - a. Athlete/Coach Representatives: The athlete representatives and coach representatives are deemed "Admins", which Facebook Pages defines as "Can manage all aspects of the Page including sending messages and posting as the Page, creating ads, seeing which admin created a post or comment, viewing insights and assigning Page roles."
 - b. Board of Directors: All BOD members are deemed "Analysts", which Facebook Pages defines as "Can see which admin created a post or comment and view insights."
 - c. House of Delegates: All HOD & BOD members can submit post ideas via http://goo.gl/forms/n7KUvaYUvM, which are then sent to an athlete representative.
- (2) Procedures/Guidelines Guidelines for posting are as follows:
 - a. Content Posts should be informational and always promote South Dakota Swimming in a positive manner. Posts can include, but are not limited to, photos from meets, statistics about the organization, or anything concerning the general public. These outlets are not intended for inter-organizational communication that doesn't concern the general public (i.e. meet planning updates, BOD/HOD minutes, etc.), but may be utilized in said manner when necessary.
 - b. Frequency Frequency of posts should remain constant, approximately 3-5 per week (may vary depending on time of year).
 - c. Grammar All posts are expected to adhere to proper grammar mechanics and spelling, including names.
 - d. Oversight/Violations Any violations of officer code of conduct or any media harming the ethics of South Dakota Swimming shall be immediately removed by an Admin or Analyst, and further consequences will be taken.

Rationale:

To allow for increased internal and external communication among South Dakota Swimming, its members, and the general public. Upon passage, the job of implementing and monitoring the South Dakota Swimming Facebook Page would jointly fall upon all four athlete representatives and the coach representatives. All BOD and HOD members reserve the right to provide input into the media promoted on said page. All questions can be directed to Josh Sorbe.

Name: Kyle Margheim

Club: MAC

Position: Age Group Chair

Proposal: Set the deadline for Zones applications earlier.

Current bylaw or policy section and language:

No current policy language regarding deadline.

Proposed bylaw or policy section and language:

3.5.3(d) The deadline for all Zones Applications will be the Monday prior to the B Championship meet. If a swimmer achieves a AAA time standard after the deadline but has not submitted an application they would still be eligible to go.

Rationale:

This is to try to make things a little easier for the Zones coaching staff and chaperones. There are often a lot of last minute applications at the state meet and it gets very difficult to keep track of everything while the meet is going on. Selection can still be based on placement at the state meet but this will help keep things a little more manageable for those trying to organize the trip.

Name: Sarah Mann Club: ASC Position: Officials Chair

Current bylaw or policy section and language:

Policies and Procedures Section 4.1 (4) (b) 2. outlines the following testing requirements for Administrative Officials:

Must take USA Swimming Timer, Timing Judge, Clerk of Course and Administrative testes (typo) before apprenticing.

Policies and Procedures Section 4.1 (4) (c) 1. outlines the following requirements for Administrative Officials certification:

Certify after passing USA Timer, Timing Judge, Clerk of Course, and Administrative tests and satisfactory performance at one meet.

Proposed bylaw or policy section and language:

Update the referenced sections as follows:

Policies and Procedures Section 4.1 (4) (b) 2.

Must take USA Swimming Administrative Official test before apprenticing.

Policies and Procedures Section 4.1 (4) (c) 1.

Certify after passing USA Swimming Administrative Official test and completion of on-the-deck apprenticeship.

Rationale:

USA Swimming consolidated Administrative Official testing into a single comprehensive test. Certification should be granted after completion of apprenticeship as opposed to performance at 1 meet – which could be only 1 session.

Name: Sarah Mann Club: ASC Position: Officials Chair

Current bylaw or policy section and language:

Policies and Procedures Section 4.3 (2) states:

The meet referee of the State A-B Championships shall have a minimum of N2 certification. (04/26/2008)

Proposed bylaw or policy section and language:

Update the referenced sections as follows:

Policies and Procedures Section 4.3 (2)

The meet referee of the State A Championship shall have a minimum of N2 certification.

Rationale:

There are very few N2 Referees in the state. Due to the back to back scheduling of the B and A Championship Meets, it may not always be possible to secure an N2 Referee for both meet weekends. It is therefore prudent to make a provision for a certified and qualified Referee (without N2 credentials) to referee the State B Championship.

Name: Sarah Mann Club: ASC Position: Officials Chair

Current bylaw or policy section and language:

Policies and Procedures Section 4.5 (1) states:

SD Swimming will pay the USA Swimming membership fees for up to two (2) certified officials for each member club.

Proposed bylaw or policy section and language:

Update the referenced section as follows:

Policies and Procedures Section 4.5 (1)

SD Swimming will pay the USA Swimming membership fees for all certified officials.

Rationale:

It is unreasonable to expect officials to pay their own USA Swimming registration fee for the privilege of volunteering. Consequently, the financial burden must fall to the individual club or the LSC. It is equally unreasonable to place an increased financial burden on those clubs who successfully train and retain officials. Since most (not all – but most) certified officials function as an asset to the LSC as well as to their home club, it seems reasonable that the LSC provide financial support for USA Swimming Registration for all officials.

Name: Kyle Margheim Club: MAC Position: Age Group Chair

Proposal: Have the coach of the year award nominated and voted on by the coaches.

Current bylaw or policy section and language:

_5.3.2 — Nominations — Any member of South Dakota Swimming Inc. may submit a nomination along with any supporting information to the General Chairman by July 15.

_5.3.3 – Selection Committee – The committee shall consist of the General Chair, the previous year's recipient and the Senior Athlete Representative.

Proposed bylaw or policy section and language:

_5.3.2 – Nominations – Any head or assistant coach member of South Dakota Swimming Inc. may submit a nomination to the General Chairman by July 15.

5.3.3 – Selection – All coaches will vote on the nominated coaches. Each coach may cast 1 vote at either the B Championship Meet or the State Meet. Voting will be the responsibility of the Coaches Rep.

Rationale:

We have so many hard working coaches in SD Swimming that deserve to be recognized and last summer was the first year the Coach of the Year award was given out for 3 years. The general membership of SD Swimming doesn't know what the nomination process is and therefore we have years where there is no coach of the year. I also think it would mean more being voted on by your peers.

Submitted by :Chuck Baechler, Head Coach, WASC

Coach of the Year award

Current:

5.3 Coaches Award

An annual award given to the Seasonal Teams coach and to the Year-Round coach who have exemplified the qualities of competence, sportsmanship and dedication.

- (1) Eligibility Any head or assistant coach who has actively coached a registered club within South Dakota Swimming, Inc. territory during the current long-course or previous shortcourse season..
- (2) Nominations Any member of South Dakota Swimming, Inc. may submit a nomination along with any supporting information to the General Chairman by July 15.
- (3) Selection Committee The committee shall consist of the General Chair, the previous year's recipient and the Senior Athlete Representative. (5/06/07)
- (5) Presentation The awards will be presented at the SD Long Course Championship Meets.

Proposed:

5.3 Coaches Award

An annual award given to the Seasonal Teams coach and to the Year-Round coach who have exemplified the qualities of competence, sportsmanship and dedication.

- (1) Eligibility Any head or assistant coach who has actively coached a registered club within South Dakota Swimming, Inc. territory during the current long-course and previous short course season..
- (2) Selection The recipient of these awards shall be chosen by secret ballot, cast by eligible coaches from the respective seasonal designation; said ballot to be cast on the Sunday morning of the State Long Course championship meet for the Year round award, with a similar ballot to be cast on Sunday morning of the Seasonal championship meet. Said ballots are to be submitted to the meet referee of those respective meets, and tallied by the referee and the meet director.
- (5) Presentation The awards will be presented at the respective SD Long Course Championship Meets on Sunday afternoon.

Rational

Since the adoption of the current selection procedure, there have been seasons where there were no nominations for these awards, there have been other seasons where the award simply failed to acknowledge the accomplishments of a given coach during that season. This is an award that should not be a popularity contest, it is far more meaningful as a peer award which should certainly be given each season. The split between the year round and the seasonal reflects the fact that the coaches of those respective teams have the best opportunity to observe their peers success.

Name: Sarah Hogg Club: ASC Position: SD Swimming Finance Vice Chair

Proposal template: Proposal must include both the current and new language if applicable.

Current bylaw or policy section and language:

- 5.4 Athlete Travel Reimbursement Fund (09/20/2008)
 - (1) Athlete Requirements -
 - (a) The athlete must be a member in good standing of a SD Swimming chartered swim club, or registered as an unattached swimmer.
 - (b) The athlete must swim in at least two SD sanctioned meets in the season that they are requesting reimbursement.
 - (c) An athlete who has competed in SD swim meets and was a registered athlete of SDSI for a period of 5 years is only required to swim in one SD sanctioned meet per season.
 - (d) An athlete may only be reimbursed for one meet per season.
 - (e) The reimbursement request must include the page(s) from the final results showing the name of the athlete in the event(s) in which he/she competed.
 - (f) Reimbursement request forms must be sent to the SDSI Treasurer by the following deadline dates:
 - 1. Winter SC Season request forms are due by the Spring LSC Meeting.
 - 2. Summer LC Season request forms are due by the Fall LSC Meeting.
 - (g) Request forms received after the deadline dates will not be eligible for reimbursement.
 - (2) Guidelines for Travel Reimbursement Awards -
 - (a) The maximum reimbursement for national meets shall be as follows:
 - Olympic Trials \$500.00
 - US Open Championship \$350.00
 - US Short Course Nationals \$350.00
 - USA Junior Nationals \$300.00
 - USA Short Course Jr. Nationals \$300.00
 - NCSA Junior Nationals \$200.00

- Speedo Sectionals \$100.00
- (b) Relay only swimmers will receive half of the above amounts.
- (c) At the Spring LSC meeting, the above amounts will be reevaluated to see if any changes need to be made.
- (d) In the LSC budget process, a certain dollar amount will be budgeted for the above meets. If requests exceed the budgeted amount, reimbursements will be prorated.

5.5 Athlete Travel Reimbursement Request Form

The Athlete Travel Reimbursement Request form is attached as Exhibit #13. (09/20/2009)

Proposed bylaw or policy section and language:

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 - (c) An athlete who has competed in SD swim meets and was a registered athlete of SDSI for a period of 5 years is only required to swim in one SD sanctioned meet per season.
 - (d) An athlete may only be reimbursed for one meet per season, with the exception of Olympic Trials. An athlete that competes at the Olympic Trials may be reimbursed for Olympic Trials plus one additional national meet that same summer LC season.
 - (e) The reimbursement request must include the page(s) from the final results showing the name of the athlete in the event(s) in which he/she competed.
 - (f) Reimbursement request forms must be sent to the SDSI Treasurer by the following deadline dates:
 - 1. Winter SC Season request forms are due by the Spring LSC Meeting April 15.
 - 2. Summer LC Season request forms are due by the Fall LSC Meeting August 31.
 - (g) Request forms received after the deadline dates will not be eligible for reimbursement.

- (2) Guidelines for Travel Reimbursement Awards -
 - (a) The maximum reimbursement for national meets shall be as follows:
 - Olympic Trials \$500.00
 - USA OpenNational Championships \$350.00
 - USA Short Course NationalsChampionships \$350.00
 - USA Junior Nationals Championships \$300.00
 - USA Short Course Winter Jr. Nationals Championships \$300.00
 - USA Futures Championships \$200.00
 - NCSA Junior Nationals \$200.00
 - USA Pro Swim Series \$150.00
 - Speedo Sectionals \$100.00
 - (b) Relay only swimmers will receive half of the above amounts.
 - (c) At the Spring LSC meeting, the above amounts will be reevaluated to see if any changes need to be made.
 - (d) In the LSC budget process, a certain dollar amount will be budgeted for the above meets. If requests exceed the budgeted amount, reimbursements will be prorated.

5.5 Athlete Travel Reimbursement Request Form

The Athlete Travel Reimbursement Request form is attached as **Exhibit #13**. (09/20/2009) <u>Exhibit will be revised if above changes are accepted.</u>

Rationale:

In Section 5.4 (1)(d), a SD athlete that competes at Olympic Trials will be able to apply for reimbursement for the Olympic Trials amount and one other national meet for that season. An Olympic trials cut is an amazing accomplishment which only a few SD Swimming athletes have achieved. In order to achieve this cut, an athlete usually goes to multiple national level meets each season. However, they are only able to submit for one national level meet reimbursement per season.

In Section 5.4 (1) (f), adjusting the dates to prior to the LSC meetings will allow for more accurate financial reporting especially at our fiscal year end. Otherwise for the fiscal year end statement, we are estimating for the LSC report and then need to adjust to actual for the final report/audit and for the Form 990. The deadline dates are approximately 1 month after the last national meet which is a reasonable about of time to submit the form with documentation.

In Section 5.4 (2) (a) meet names are updated for the many of the meets. Also, the new Futures Championships that will debut in the summer of 2015 is added along with the Pro Swim Series which was formally the Grand Prix.

Name: Chad P. Dillon

Proposal template:

Club: Sioux Falls Seals

Position: Head Coach

Current bylaw or policy section and language:

Proposal must include both the current and new language if applicable.

5.4 Athlete Travel Reimbursement Fund (09/20/2008)

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- (b) Relay only swimmers will receive half of the above amounts.
- (c) At the Spring LSC meeting, the above amounts will be reevaluated to see if any changes need to be made.
- (d) In the LSC budget process, a certain dollar amount will be budgeted for the above meets. If requests exceed the budgeted amount, reimbursements will be prorated.

Proposed bylaw or policy section and language:

Understanding that these figures are under annual review and revision (if necessary), it is proposed, here, that the House of Delegates make a considerable increase in these award amounts.

Competition	Current Award	30% Increase	40% Increase	50% Increase
Olympic Trials	\$500.00	\$650.00	\$700.00	\$750.00
US Open Champ	\$350.00	\$455.00	\$490.00	\$525.00
US SCY Nationals	\$350.00	\$455.00	\$490.00	\$525.00
LCM Jr. Nationals	\$300.00	\$390.00	\$420.00	\$450.00
SCY Jr. Nationals	\$300.00	\$390.00	\$420.00	\$450.00
NCSA Jr.	\$200.00	\$260.00	\$280.00	\$300.00

Nationals				
Sectionals	\$100.00	\$130.00	\$140.00	\$150.00

Rationale:

If we award these achievements, it demonstrates our interest in having athletes work towards these levels of competition.

Format of many of these competitions can span 4 or 5 days which increases the costs for athletes/families to attend.

Award increase makes all athletes/families more comfortable about traveling to participate in these competitions.

More participants in these competitions creates a larger inspiration to our LSC and local competitors.

Name: Chad P. Dillon Club: Sioux Falls Seals Position: Head Coach

Proposal template: Proposal must include both the current and new language if applicable.

Current bylaw or policy section and language:

Rule 9 Championship Meets

- 9.14 Relays
 - (1) Number Swimmers may enter a maximum of one relay per day.

Rule 10 State B Championship Meets

- 10.9 Relay Entries
 - (1) Number Swimmers may enter a maximum of one relay per day.

Proposed bylaw or policy section and language:

Add the following events to the State Championship competition:

- 13-14 Girls 200 Freestyle Relay (Friday evening, end of session)
- 13-14 Boys 200 Freestyle Relay (Friday evening, end of session)
- 15-19 Girls 200 Freestyle Relay (Friday evening, end of session)
- 15-19 Boys 200 Freestyle Relay (Friday evening, end of session)
- 13-14 Girls 200 Medley Relay (Saturday, beginning of session)
- 13-14 Boys 200 Medley Relay (Saturday, beginning of session)
- 15-19 Girls 200 Medley Relay (Saturday, beginning of session)
- 15-19 Boys 200 Medley Relay (Saturday, beginning of session)

Recommendation for placement of these events within the current format is in parenthesis, but the ultimate decision should be made by committee(s) appointed by the House of Delegates.

Rule 9 Championship Meets

- 9.14 Relays
 - (1) Number Swimmers may enter a maximum of one relay per day each relay event.

Rule 10 Championship Meets

- 10.9 Relay Entries
 - (1) Number Swimmers may enter a maximum of one relay per day each relay event.

Rationale:

Create more opportunities for older athletes to compete in relay events. Create the incentive to be an older athlete in the sport.

State Records for these events should be regularly challenged by rested athletes at the State Championships competition.

Submitted by :Chuck Baechler, Head Coach, WASC

State meet entry grace period

Current:

State meet-

9.17 Entry Deadline

All entries, including those who qualify at State B Meet are due at 6:00 p.m. CST on the Monday following the State B Championship Meet. (09/24/2005) Entries and entry fees are to be mailed to the person in charge of entries indicated in the meet invitation. (04/21/2013)

Proposed-

9.175 Entry Grace period

Entries submitted pursuant to Rule 9.17 above will not be deemed to be final until 6:00pm CST on the Tuesday following the State B Championship meet in order to allow for final review and correction of errors or omissions.

B Championship Meet:

Current-

10.11 Entry Deadline

Entries must be submitted by e-mail by 6 p.m. CST on the Monday prior to the meet. Entries and entry fees are to be mailed to the person in charge of entries indicated in the meet invitation.

(04/21/2013)

Proposed-

10.115

Entries submitted pursuant to Rule 10.11 above will not be deemed final until 6:00pm CST on the Tuesday prior to the meet in order to allow for final review and correction of errors or omissions.

Rational:

The biggest problem/nightmare of doing entries for these meet's are the events or kids who fall through the cracks. A twenty four hour period to send final entries to families for review allows for routine correction of the errors and omissions that happen with the B meet golden tickets, and times from non-

Submitted by :Chuck Baechler, Head Coach, WASC

conforming courses. This year, because of file difficulties, we had literally 50-60 exceptions with the WASC entries that each had to be reviewed by hand. If a psyc sheet has not been disseminated there is no competitive advantage to a coach who needs to make a correction for an error or omission relating to the entries submitted on a Monday night. We constantly pay lip service to the idea that we operate in the best interest of the swimmer, having a small window to make corrections without the intervention of officials or a seed committee would certainly serve that goal.

Name: Carolyn Theobald Club: PST Position: Secretary

Proposal template: Proposal must include both the current and new language if applicable.

Current bylaw or policy section and language:

9.20 Awards

(2) Individual – Medals (first through eighth) and ribbons (ninth through sixteenth) will be awarded for each individual event. Medals (first through third) will be awarded for each relay event. A State Champion patch will be awarded to each first-time winner of an individual event and a relay event at a South Dakota Championship Meet. Individual and relay event winners who have previously been awarded a patch will receive a rocker for each event won. (09/17/2011) Individual High Point Awards will be awarded to the top three (3) individuals in each age group and gender. (04/21/2012)

Proposed bylaw or policy section and language:

9.20 Awards

(2) Individual – Medals (first through eighth) and ribbons (ninth through sixteenth) will be awarded for each individual event. Medals (first through third) will be awarded for each relay event. A State Champion patch will be awarded to each first-time winner of an individual event and a relay event at a South Dakota Championship Meet. Individual and relay event winners who have previously been awarded a patch will receive a rocker for each event won. (09/17/2011) Individual High Point Awards will be awarded to the top three (3) five (5) individuals in each age group and gender. (04/21/2012)

Rationale:

By increasing the number of awards for high point, more of our athletes will receive the recognition that they have worked for.

Name: Carolyn & Ashley Club: PST Position: Secretary

Theobald

Proposal template: Proposal must include both the current and new language if applicable.

Current bylaw or policy section and language:

10.14 Awards

(2) Individual – Rosettes (first through third) and ribbons (fourth through sixteenth) will be awarded to the top sixteen State B Meet swimmers in each individual event. (05/05/2001)

Proposed bylaw or policy section and language:

10.14 Awards

(2) Individual — Rosettes Medals (first through third) and ribbons (fourth through sixteenth) will be awarded to the top sixteen State B Meet swimmers in each individual event. Individual High Point Awards will be awarded to the top five (5) individuals in each age group and gender.

Rationale:

Throughout the state of South Dakota, we are often drawn to the best of the best, the ones that usually win the top awards. The B Championship meet allows all the other swimmers an opportunity to shine. This is an opportunity for us to take the B Championship Meet to the next level and show our support of all the swimmers in South Dakota.

SD Swimming will pay for the cost of the High Point Awards for the B Championship Meet. Approximate cost will be less than \$500.

Submitted by :Chuck Baechler, Head Coach, WASC

Scratch rule

Current state meet template-

SCRATCHES: National scratch procedures per USA Swimming will be enforced. A scratch box will be located at the Meet Director's table. Please use the forms for all scratches and deposit in the box. Please have all scratches submitted prior to the start of specifics each day. In the event a swimmer fails to compete in an event they were not previously scratched from they will be barred from any remaining individual and relay events that day.

Proposed change-

SCRATCHES: National scratch procedures per USA Swimming will be enforced for any events designated as Prelim/Final. A scratch box will be located at the Meet Director's table. Please use the forms for all scratches and deposit in the box. Please have all scratches submitted prior to the start of specifics each day. In the event a swimmer fails to compete in an event they were not previously scratched from they will be barred from any remaining individual and relay events that day.

Rationale:

This rule is designated for prelim/final meets in order to insure that swimmers and coaches scratched final events during prelims in order to insure that alternates would be moved up for evening finals. Missing a single event at the state meet, in the context of a timed final event, is more than enough penalty for swimmers at this level. Events at this meet move very quickly, the added stress of this rule to coaches, officials, and parents outweighs any learning experience for the swimmers. This rule applies at sectionals and other similar meets where coaches are working with smaller groups of more experienced swimmers who are certainly more able to be accountable for being where they need to be for their races.

Name: Kyle Margheim

Club: MAC

Position: Age Group Chair

Proposal: Cleaning up the championship meet invite language.

Current:

Percentage Trophy will be awarded to the team with the most points per entry, calculated after excluding relay points. Minimum of 7 swimmers is required to compete for the Percentage Trophy.

Proposed:

Percentage Trophy will be awarded to the team with the most points per entry, calculated after excluding relay points. Minimum of 7 swimmers with individual events is required to compete for the Percentage Trophy.

Current:

SD Head Tax Not listed

Proposed:

SD Head Tax: \$3.00