

**General Chair Report  
LSC House of Delegates Meeting  
October 2, 2022**

**Membership and Retention**

With the transition to the SWIMS 3.0 database and new Online Member Registration, I don't currently have membership data. However, it was reported at the USA Swimming Annual Business Meeting that membership is trending upward for both athletes and non-athletes throughout all of USA Swimming.

**Long Course State meets**

I want to thank the Yankton Swim Team for hosting the State B Championship meet and for their hard work to make it a success. I also want to thank the Sioux Falls Swim Team for hosting a great State A Championship meet. Their volunteers did an outstanding job.

**Athlete Elections**

Thank you to our Athletes for hosting another successful election this year. The athletes self-nominated and were elected through online voting. We are excited to welcome Lavin Maddox (SFST) and Matt Corr (SSR) to the Board of Directors as Junior Reps. They will join Grace Davis (SFST) and Keatyn Wede (TIDE) who transition to our Senior Reps. Eli Pelzer (SFST) - Southern District, Tomas Gonzalez (BSC) - Northern District, Michelle Weiss (PST) - Western District, Brock Russell (SFST) - At Large and Kaden Zink (WASC) - At Large were elected to the House of Delegates and will start their terms at the October meeting. A special thank you goes out to both Gena Jorgenson (ASC) and Matthew Sorbe (SFST) as our outgoing Board of Directors athlete reps for their efforts in leading our Athlete Committee this past year. I wish them the best of luck in their future endeavors.

**USA Swimming Annual Meeting**

I attended the USA Swimming Annual Business meeting in Colorado Springs, CO on September 22-24 as USA Swimming invited National Committee members and LSC General Chairs to attend in person. The rest of the USA Swimming HOD attended through the virtual format with the HOD Meeting on September 24, 2022. From the legislation passed last year, we now receive 4 votes at the HOD meeting - one non-athlete, non-coach and three non-athlete coaches. Our voting delegates this year were Kyle Margheim, Wendy Ahrendsen, Kent Huckins, and myself. Since this is a hybrid meeting held partially in-person and virtually, the meeting was open to anyone who wanted to register and attend the virtual portion.

**Highlights:**

1. Passed legislation to set the minimum number of meet marshals for sanctioned meets at two, one male and one female.
2. Passed legislation to require meet announcements to include a statement as to what medical supervision will be available (i.e. lifeguards, EMT, ect.). This is not a requirement to provide medical supervision, just to provide information about what will be provided at the site.
3. Passed legislation to change the 120-day transfer penalty to 60 days.
4. Passed a resolution to raise the USA Swimming membership fee for Seasonal Members to \$40.