

Southwest Ohio YMCA Swim League Fall Meeting

9/27/2023, 6 pm

Hilton Garden Inn Dayton South-Austin Landing, 12000 Innovation Drive, Miamisburg, OH 45342

Minutes

1. Welcome

Mike Leonard

Attendees: AMFY, LAKY, CFY, CY, SPY, UCY, BASH, ABLY, RC Durr, CHAMP, Preble County, SIDY, KEY, PCY.

Absent: Kleptz, HHY (SPY filling in and taking notes for HHY)

2. Treasurer's Report

Pam Fulton

All up-to-date and paid officials training last week. Some outstanding items from LC due to SwimCloud fees and the league asks all teams to pay via check.

\$25 league fee each year and we're asking teams to waive this year. (Note: This is not the \$50 Y National fee.)

Motion to waive \$25 fee - KEY, multiple teams seconded. All in favor, no opposed. Motion passes.

3. Short Course Champs wrap up 2023 and look ahead to 2024

Jon Saxton
Claudia Multer
Eric Wentzel
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Miriam Hollan
Jon Saxton

- Planning
- Time standards
- Shirts for AA Champs 2024
- Senior photos for AA Champs 2024
- Job/Team responsibilities for AA Champs 2024
- Other

Wrap up from 2023: As and AAs were 2 weekends in a row. For As in 2023, we decided to have 3 Finals sites rather than splitting Central as in the past. For AAs, the meet was again full as in past years.

Planning for 2024: No plans to change because As and AAs have been run well. As North site at Trotwood, Central site at CY, South site at PCY.

There was an ask to clarify proposed AA time standards for 11-12s, e.g. example of having a 10-year-old age up to 11 and made it back to finals in 2023 in all events yet missed AA cuts by significant amounts. Discussion and clarification occurred along with the league recognizing the 11-12 age group was light this past year.

Time standards: Motion to accept time standards as presented - BASH motioned, SPY seconded. All in favor, no opposed. Motions passes.

Senior pics are due 1st Friday in February for recognition at league champs.

Team assignments for Champs to help run meet:

This is the normal assignment of duties for championships.

Please notify a member of the executive committee if you do not plan to fulfill these jobs.

2024 Champs	Hospitality	Scoring	Awards
A meet north	Kleptz	SPY & MCY	SPY
A meet central	CY	CY	CY
A meet south	ABLY & PCY	ABLY & PCY	ABLY (purchased for entire league) PCY
A finals	PCY	PCY	PCY
AA	PCY	Claudia	League (or PCY)

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Announcement: AA Champs meet now called Southwest Ohio YMCA Swim League Claudia Multer AA Championships in dedication for the work that she's dedicated to this league.

4. Long Course Champs wrap up 2023 and look ahead to 2024

Jon Saxton

- a. Order of events
- b. Time standards
- c. Shirts for LC Champs 2024
- d. Other

Claudia Multer
Eric Wentzel

LC Champs 2023 was more crowded with more attendees/athlete than AAs 2023.

A proposed order of events for LC Champs 2024 were handed out to all teams at the meeting. The proposal is to allow as many events as possible be swum by as many athletes as possible. (There are a lot of events and we're trying to avoid holding a 4-day or 5-day "jam" packed weekend.)

- Thursday session: proposed 400 free and 200 IM. 3-hour session
- Friday morning: 11 & overs starting at 8:30 and finishing around 12pm. Proposing all 11-12 events are timed finals rather than prelims/finals.
- Friday afternoon: 800 Free to start around 1pm and finish around 2:10
- Friday finals: 13 & O
- Saturday & Sunday prelims: 13 & O start around 8:30 and end around 11:45 with 11-12s moving to afternoon session of timed finals.
- Saturday & Sunday afternoon sessions end around 5:45 with finals ending around 8:30-9 pm
- Mile does have top heat included in finals
- Biggest changes are 11-12s being timed finals. Some relays being dropped may not be as big of a change but the athletes haven't been swimming as well on these relays. We're attempting to save time and keep as many individual events as possible.
- Motion to accept basic format as presented with changes: ABLY motioned, SPY & BASH 2nd.
 - o Discussion: if 12-year-olds swim 200 strokes, there's a chance the swimmer may swim Senior events in morning for stroke events and then swim 11-12 session in afternoon with possibility to qualify for 200 Stroke events in Finals at night. Coaches will need to decide what events and consider all options. Not sure if league should get involved in this decision since it should be up to coaches.
 - o All in favor, no opposed. Motion carries
- LC time standards will come in the Spring 2024 as well as information about how to order champs shirts.

5. Ohio Swimming and YMCA meets in SWIMS

Jon Saxton, Claudia Multer

Ohio Swimming will now only allow Y meets to count in SWIMS database once they get the Y sanction when you apply for approval. Meet needs to be sanctioned 60 days prior to event through Team Unify and this is now for invitationals. Information was sent out from Y National. (YMCA sanction can be done on Team Unify where you add your coaches. Fill out information then send them the meet packet. Once it's approved then you can send it to Ohio Swimming for their approval.)

It's not required to have a sanction to run a meet; the only reason for the sanction is if you want to submit and include times in SWIMS database for USA Swimming.

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6. "Age up" date discussion

Mike Leonard, Jon Saxton

Members of a couple teams submitted letters to the Exec Committee to change the age up date back to Dec. 1 rather than using the current age up as the birthday on the first day of the meet. SWOYSL accepted the change back in 2020. Y National uses this as well. Great Lakes Zone is different and is still using Dec. 1.

Any motion for the league to consider changing it back: SPY has had some members bring to their attention of using the first day of the Championship meet series (first day of A Champs) so if someone ages up in between As and AAs that it's the same age). ABLY also added the SWOYSL does the same as Ohio Swimming. SWOYSL is following the rule that YMCA National Governing Body of Swimming has set.

No teams made a motion to change.

7. Officials training

Jon Saxton

Breaststrokers no longer have to swim in a horizontal plane. Backstrokers can be fully submerged on the finish at the touch (after the head as passed the flags). Both follow USA Swimming rules.

For backstroke, can the swimmer be fully submerged, surface and resubmerge? League is waiting for decision and will announce.

Level 1= 17 new officials. Jon and Hiroshi also trained some in Lexington, KY.

Level 2 = 15 new officials

Level 1 & Level 2= training class in Wapakoneta (at AMFY) 10/7 8:30 am – 12.

Level 2 via Zoom 10/10

AO via Zoom 10/2. 10/7 in person at CFY

Level 1 date TBD in Pennsylvania per Hiroshi

8. Website registration

Mickey McNeil

- a. SWOYSL registration
- b. Y National registration for teams and coaches

SWOYSL registration due 10/1 to make sure we have a clean list

Y National registration per team is due by 12/1 then add in all coaches with certs. It's \$0.

After 12/1, it's \$100.

9. Hall of Fame

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Jason R from CY has managed this in the past and we hope to have more information in the near future to add to our League Hall of Fame.

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10. Executive Committee slate

Mike Leonard

- a. President
- b. Vice President
- c. Secretary
- d. Treasurer
- e. Meet Director

Motion to accept slate as presented – BASH motioned. SPY seconded. All in favor, no opposed. Motion carries

11. Other

Mike Leonard

- a. Championship dates (A, AA, Zone, Y Nats, LC)
- b. Open forum

As 3/1-3/3

AAs 3/8-3/10

Zone 3/15/-3/17 in Canton, OH

Y National Short Course 4/2-4/6 in Greensboro

YMCA Short Course Masters Nationals in Ft. Lauderdale, date TBD

Long Course 7/11-7/14 at Miami

Y National Long Course tentative 7/30-8/3 location TBD (not Greensboro because of conflicts)

BASH is asking others on what to do with times databased in Team Unify.

Great Lakes Zone 2024: will be in Canton; no Zone Committee meeting lately to talk through meet in March. Mike is part of Zone Committee.

All meet results are asked to be submitted to Swim Cloud.

12. Closing

Mike Leonard