AGE GROUP DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE AGENDA APPROVED MINUTES
JANUARY 10TH, 2023

CALL TO ORDER 7:31PM ET

MINUTES (tabled for next meeting)

COMMITTEE MEMBERS
Liz Kershaw Committee Chair
Olga Espinosa Coach Rep to SRDC (not present)
Tristan Formon Coach Rep to DEI
Kevin Milak Coach
John Nelson Coach
David Orr Coach
Mona Nyheim-Canales Coach (not present)
Alexis Mendenall Coach
Cammile Adams Athlete
Topher Bishop Athlete (not present)
JP Vanderloo Athlete
McKayla Kendall Athlete (not present)
Jamie Lewis SRDC Rep to AGDC (not present)
Dana Skelton Staff
Mariah Carnahan Staff
Devonie Pietre Staff

VIRTUAL INTRO OF AGDC COMMITTEE
Members introduced themselves to the group with their name, location and a non-swimming fact.

HOUSEKEEPING
There is a Google drive for the AGDC.
Everyone present has completed their Conflict of Interest and are a Member in Good Standing.

AGGC (Overview PowerPoint)
Dana reviewed: Mission Statement, Responsibilities, Committee Members, Expectation of AGDC members.

UPDATE FROM DEI AND SRDC
SRDC - No Update from Olga. DEI – Tristan will be attending the upcoming January DEI Committee meeting.

DCC WINDOW FOR SEASONS IN 2023-24
The AGDC are required to present and vote upon season dates for 2023-24. These are due by Feb 15, 2023.
MSA: Proposed April 17- August 15, 2023, August 16 - December 31, 2023 and January 1-April 15th, 2024
Dates were accepted and will be presented prior to the deadline.
REVIEW THE ATTACHMENT FROM DEVONIE REGARDING MEET FORMATS

Devonie talked through the current status of the ADGC Developmental Competition Meet Formats page. Liz outlined that Topher will be presenting a potential concept to dovetail IMR with the AGDC Meet Formats. He will be outlining at the February Meeting. Liz and Devonie presented the work in progress page which will eventually be located on the marketing toolkit page. The AGDC are requested to provide feedback after reviewing the minutes. John asked about the status of accessing IMR, IMX, DCC in the new SWIMS 3.0. Dana explained that coaches can access an IMR report tool on the team portal. David asked if the new DeckPass app could include the times search which was embedded in the former app.

LEGISLATION FOR 2023 -REMOVE THE 10-WEEK CALENDAR, REMOVE 4 MEET LIMIT USE

Liz outlined some of the adjustments proposed re: the Developmental Competitions (DCC) in the rulebook. Scroll to the bottom of the minutes to read the proposals.

CLUB DEVELOPMENT CRP & DCC

Liz outlined the potential for DCC to be included in CRP for level 2. It would potentially include a “YES/NO option”, with comments where clubs could share information. Potentially formats could move into level 3. This is still a work in progress. This would serve as an annual tool to gather information moving forward.

12 UNDER MARKETING TOOL KIT - a possible collaboration with bringing swimmers into the sport, then transition into low-level meets, then next steps (larger, long term). Presently this is very much a work in progress, lots of ideas and notes from several meetings. This will be addressed at upcoming meetings.

Want to consider an IMX-type certificate? How does that work if yes? Good discussion around potential certificates and other options. Ideas for ways to reward first time experiences, the former deck pass badges, social media templates, and lawn sign templates. Goal would be to promote the athlete, the team, the sport the organization.

OPEN FLOOR

TENTATIVE MEETING SCHEDULE
Feb 14 @ 11:00am ET
March 14 @ 8:00pm ET
April 11 @ 11:00am ET
April in-person in Colorado at the USA Swimming Workshop
May TBD based on April ET

ADJOURNMENT 8:27pm ET

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Proposed by: Age Group Development Committee, Liz Kershaw - Chair
couchlizkershaw@gmail.com 214-695-0109

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**Location:** (Page 75): 205.11 DEVELOPMENT COMPETITION PROGRAM

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205.11 DEVELOPMENT COMPETITION PROGRAM

(.1) Development competitions are limited to athletes ages 12 and under offering events listed in 102.1.3.

(.2) The Development competition season shall be defined by three ten-week seasons with dates defined by the Age Group Development Committee not later than February 15 annually.

(.3) Athletes shall be limited to participating in four Development competitions per season.

(.4) Development competitions may operate as multi-day, multi-session meets. Sessions shall be planned to allow the events not to exceed two (2) hours in length. Athletes shall only participate in one session per sanctioned competition.

(.5) Development competitions may be offered at the option of the LSC, but are not required.

**Location:** Page 27 102.1.3 DEVELOPMENT COMPETITION Events Offered

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DEVELOPMENT COMPETITION EVENTS – Competitions may be composed of events selected from the following recognized list of events:

- 42 Years and Younger
- 25, 50, 100 freestyle
- 25, 50 backstroke
- 25, 50 breaststroke
- 25, 50 butterfly
- 100 individual medley
- 100, 200 freestyle relay
- 100, 200 medley relay
AGDC is currently not touching this part of the rule. It is simply here for reference.

Number of officials 102.10.4 (Page 35):
Minimum Number of Officials Required for Development, Dual and Intra-Squad Meets

1 Referee, who may also act as a stroke and turn judge
1 Starter
1 Other Stroke and Turn Judge (may be the Starter)
1 Announcer
3 Timers per lane (one minimum if automatic timing equipment when touch pads are used)
1 Administrative Official
1 Place Judge
Relay Take-off Judges (if applicable)
Timing Equipment Operators (as needed)
Marshal(s) (number determined by the LSC)