

USA Swimming Registration / Membership Committee Minutes

April 1st, 2026 - Virtual Meeting

Present: Loren Fischbach, Angela Monty, Lisa Olack, Susan McDonald, Laurie Benton, Tracy Meece, Vanessa Brewer, and Nicholas Weine

Absent: Nicola Formon, Harper Freeman, Kiran Jayasinghe and Makenzie Royal

Guests: Denise Thomas, Julie Ferrara, Eric Stimson

Call to Order: Angela called April 1st, 2026, meeting of the Registration / Membership Committee to order at 1 PM.

Conflict of Interest Disclosure:

AGENDA

1. Call to order
2. Approve Agenda
3. Approve Meeting Notes – (March 10, 2026)
4. SWIMS 3.0 Updates/Releases – Eric
5. Update on Athlete’s Project – Angela
6. Update on Outreach Project - Angela
7. LSC Registrars Newsletter - Denise
8. Follow-up On New Projects for the Committee
 - a. Meets Workflow Best Practices
 - b. Mentoring Plan Status Updates
 - c. Topic Selections for Lunch n’ Learn Session, Wednesday, April 29 at 1:30 p.m. (MT)
9. National Meet Recon – TYR Pro Swim Series – Indianapolis – 6/17-20, 2026
10. Upcoming Meeting Dates
11. Announcements
12. Adjournment

Discussion:

- Athletes working on a project to help promote Jr. Coach and Jr. Official memberships
- Hopefully, athletes will be able to join calls in summer when schedules are more flexible
- Waiting for finalization from DICE Committee for Outreach Project
- DICE Committee working on securing zip codes that are considered Outreach-eligible

- Eric noted that report was almost spot-on – the zip codes that were identified did include all of Outreach athletes
- In the end, maybe a “view-only” spreadsheet with those zip codes will be the best tool for us to make use of to share/target outreach athletes
- Next step is to share that information across the nation, ensure we are communicating to LSCs
- Make sure that everyone understands what Outreach is, what it is all about, etc.
- Zip codes are one method to identify who could potentially be Outreach athlete
- Looking to refresh guidelines for knowing what areas are likely to qualify for Outreach
- Collaborative effort since Registration / Membership will be specialists who understand the economics of our areas, DICE tasked with identifying populace that qualifies for Outreach
- Trying to get the LSC Registrar Newsletter out by end of April – please share any topics to cover
- Info for Lunch n’Learn and getting prepared for next season included in newsletter
- Lunch n’Learns are every 4th Wednesday of the month, has same invitation link, listed on the Events page as well, committee meetings are open – everyone welcome
- Online handbook should be highlighted; it is updated and will continually be updated
- Meets Workflow Best Practices is still a work in progress
- Best Practices working group includes Tracy, Susan, Loren, Lisa, Angela, and Denise
- More updates coming soon – Angela still gathering info from LSCs, looking to make a chart for everyone to follow to keep things streamlined
- Mentoring Plans – more one-on-one calls with LSCs
- The working document is available, everyone on committee should have access (whether you are making calls or not)
- We would like to continue to grow the list of things on that document and have some main points to share with LSC
- Topic selections for Lunch n’Learns; something to prepare LSCs for next registration period, also any Outreach committee updates, seasonal clubs – renewal process
- Vanessa will head up the Lunch n’Learn on April 29th for seasonal club renewal process
- Susan and Lisa volunteered to help with items for next registration period prep for 29th Ln’L
- Angela and Pam will cover Outreach topics on 29th Lunch n’Learn
- Lunch n’Learns continue to grow and we have increased interest when we share the topics that will be covered and send invitations to appropriate groups
- National Meet Recon June 17-20th in Indianapolis – Lisa Olack will do
- Dates for future meetings – Wednesdays seem to work well
- Wednesday, May 6th for next Registration / Membership Committee meeting, then June 3rd, July 15th, and then Tuesday, August 4th to round out the summer
- To clarify, Lunch n’Learn in July will be the 22nd
- Summit in September – preparing for a track, but no details yet
- No legislation proposals now – due on May 15th
- Flex membership – some frustration because of 2-meet limit; possibly update that offering?
- AEC talking about possibly eliminating the 60-day transfer rule for athletes affected by a club folding or a club merger – working thru legal logistics/who are appropriate people to work with on that, official proposal not set yet, update pending
- Athletes who are competing internationally – they should be Unattached for those 60 days

- Registrar or Team Admin should move the attached/unattached status for athletes competing internationally
- Possibility that the 60-day transfer rule is updated – foreign federations do not follow same rules
- Bugs for login processes are mostly worked out now
- Have members submit a help ticket directly – LSC registrar submitting a ticket sometimes creates a middle-man situation and is usually easier for us to manage directly with member
- Eric mentioned the task force is slowly gaining momentum, and will talk with Registration / Membership Committee in the next round (possibly May?)

Adjournment: Angela Monty adjourned the April 1st, 2026, meeting of the Registration Membership Committee at 2:18 PM.