Athletes Events and Operations Committee- 4/11/21 7:30 pm (via ZOOM)

Present: Zach Toothman, Kyra Miklos, Tori Culotta

Absent: Emma Claire Lambert-Shemo

Guest: Nathan Phillips

I. Additions to the Agenda

II. Approval of the Agenda: PASSED

- III. Minutes Review
- IV. Consideration of Agenda Items
 - A. JO's Event Recap
 - 1. All very successful and very well run.
 - 2. All ideas that weren't able to be executed this year are filed in the Athlete's Committee Drive to be done next year
 - B. Safe Sport Athlete Event
 - 1. Nathan discussed current goals of the Safe Sport Committee and for this committee to begin discussing events to plan
 - 2. The current plan is for this committee to organize a Kahoot and Informational night with staff members and national safe sport athletes in late April/early May.
 - a) Nathan will bring up to Safe Sport Committee before getting the ball rolling.
 - b) Possible prizes could be made for this event
 - c) Also talked about including this later in the Lake Erie wide practice or a LSC summit

C. Coaches Corner

 Will reach out to Coach Kevin from Solon to do our Coaches Corner next weekend

D. Next Steps

- This committee really wants to begin the focus of education on topics that are important to USA Swimming like Mental Health, DEI, and Safe Sport in addition to our events that engage athletes like takeovers and championship events.
- 2. We decided our immediate plan of action will be to make our discussion corners more engaging by doing a video portion with them. We will begin by doing an extension of April's Mental Health Discussion Corner. We will begin planning the contents of this video with the AEC.
 - a) Also discussed a possibility of a Newsletter type feature where we can present informational content
- We want to begin focusing our discussions to beyond the LSC and include national representatives and athletes to help provide high quality information and engagement which will help build to our first LSC summit.

- 4. This summer this committee, with approval from the Board and AEC, will begin planning Mini-Team Educational Visits. These visits would be an hour in length where 2-3 AEC members would go to clubs and present discussions and interactive elements with the swimmers who are interested in learning more about topics like DEI, Safe Sport, and Mental Health.
 - a) We begin brainstorming how a sample DEI visit would look and what the goals would be.
- E. Brainstorming Ideas/Misc. Announcement
- V. Time/Date of Next Meeting:
- VI. Items to Discuss at Next Meeting:
- VII. Meeting Adjourned Via ZOOM 4/11/21 at 8:00 pm
- VIII. Minutes Submitted By Zach Toothman