

To the Board of Directors:

The intention of this report is to provide a basic recap of the most recent Western Zone Age Group Zone Meet which took place in Gresham, OR August 7<sup>th</sup>-10<sup>th</sup>. The report will address but not be limited to AS team selection, team performance, and meet logistics.

### **Team Selection/ Event Selection:**

We took 60 athletes on this year's team. Specifically we had 30 female athletes and 30 male athletes with 21 (10 female, 11 male) athletes competing in the 11-12 age group and 39 (20 female, 19 male) athletes competing in the 13-14 age group. We received a total of 62 applicants, making the selection process quick compared to previous years. We ultimately looked at the number of qualifying times as a deciding factor and gave slight preference to 13-14 year old athletes as it would be their last opportunity to attend the meet. While this number, 62, seems low in comparison, after a swift review of OSI age group athletes it seems that most of our top athletes ended up applying and there were only a few athletes who would have been scoring contributors to the team that didn't apply. I was told that many of those athletes "go on family vacations instead of stay for Zones," or swam higher level meets such as Senior Zones or Futures and took a pass on Zones. While it was originally thought that the Gresham location was less exciting for OSI athletes and thus deterred some athletes from applying, there was no evidence of this actually having an effect on the roster.

There seemed to be some confusion regarding the application deadlines. Many coaches mentioned that they assumed since the meet was in Oregon, and we wouldn't need to book flights, that the deadline would be pushed back from previous years. That being said, they're still many administrative aspects (hotel coordination, gear coordination, roster construction) that still benefit from an early July deadline. We have no intention to propose changes to this.

Lastly, team Oregon was permitted 400 individual event swims, and with a 60-athlete roster we used 360 of those swims. Of those 360 swims, 160 of them could be bonus swims. We used 132 of these swims. With several swimmers not being able to swim certain races as a result of injury, we are considering allowing athletes to create a proposed event schedule in future meets. Very rarely will a swim entered with a bonus time score points at this meet, so this change would not effect team scoring. We also believe it would bring some added excitement to the meet for some swimmers. We plan to propose this in greater detail to the BOD.

### **Team Performance:**

We finished 6<sup>TH</sup> in the meet, jus behind Sierra Nevada Swimming, and in front of PNS. We had a total of 1393 points (677.5 on the men's side and 715.5 for the

women). This is more points than we've scored at the last two meets. (6<sup>th</sup>- 1314.5 in 2018, 7<sup>th</sup>-1108.5 in 2017).

Key highlights from Team Oregon were the following:

**-James Crawford (11-12 Boys):** 100 Free-5<sup>th</sup>, 200 Free-6<sup>th</sup>, 200 IM-12<sup>th</sup>, 200 Fly-8<sup>th</sup>, 400 Free-10<sup>th</sup>, 50 Free-9<sup>th</sup>

**-Vivi Criscione (13-14 Girls):** 800 Free-7<sup>th</sup>, 200 Breast-12<sup>th</sup>, 1500 Free-8<sup>th</sup>

**-Maeve DeYoung (11-12 Girls):** 400 IM-14<sup>TH</sup>, 100 Back-1<sup>st</sup>, 200 Back-1<sup>st</sup>, 50 Back-2<sup>nd</sup>

**-Matthew Edwards (13-14 Boys):** 100 Breast-3<sup>rd</sup>, 200 Breast-11<sup>th</sup>

**-Sammy Empey (13-14 Boys):** 100 Free-2<sup>nd</sup>, 100 Fly-2<sup>nd</sup>, 100 Back-4<sup>th</sup>, 50 Free-3<sup>rd</sup>

**-Steven Empey (11-12 Boys):** 50 Fly-7<sup>th</sup>, 50 Back-9<sup>th</sup>, 50 Free-6<sup>th</sup>

**-Ben Glasser (13-14 Boys):** 200 Fly-11<sup>th</sup>

**-Dylan Gustaff (13-14 Girls):** 200 Back-8<sup>th</sup>, 400 IM-15<sup>th</sup>, 100 Back-13<sup>th</sup>, 200 IM-12<sup>th</sup>

**-Andrew Hanson (13-14 Boys):** 1500 Free-15<sup>th</sup>

**-Cedric Huang (11-12 Boys):** 50 Back-16<sup>th</sup>

**-Aidan Johnson (11-12 Boys):** 100 Back-16<sup>th</sup>

**-Helena Jones (13-14 Girls):** 100 Free-4<sup>th</sup>, 50 Free-3<sup>rd</sup>

**-Sean Kim (11-12 Boys):** 50 Breast-10<sup>th</sup>, 100 Breast-8<sup>th</sup>

**-Ellie Leeming (13-14 Girls):** 100 Breast-9<sup>th</sup>, 800 Free-3<sup>rd</sup>, 400 IM-11<sup>th</sup>, 400 Free-14<sup>th</sup>, 1500 Free-4<sup>th</sup>

**-Kamryn Meskill (11-12 Girls):** 100 Free-12<sup>th</sup>, 50 Fly-6<sup>th</sup>, 50 Free-11<sup>th</sup>

**-Steven Peng (13-14 Boys):** 50 Free-11<sup>th</sup>

**-Olivia Powell (11-12 Girls):** 100 Free-11<sup>th</sup>, 200 Free-4<sup>th</sup>, 100 Breast-14<sup>th</sup>, 400 Free-9<sup>th</sup>, 50 Free-16<sup>th</sup>

**-Cassidy Schneider (11-12 Girls):** 200 Free-12<sup>th</sup>, 400 Free-10<sup>th</sup>

**-Julie Schwam (13-14 Girls):** 200 Back-11<sup>th</sup>, 1500 Free-14<sup>th</sup>

**-Kunzang Sharchitsang (13-14 Girls):** 100 Back-6<sup>th</sup>, 50 Fly-12<sup>th</sup>, 50 Back-3<sup>rd</sup>

**-Nathan Steiner (11-12 Boys):** 400 IM-2<sup>nd</sup>, 50 Breast-7<sup>th</sup>, 50 Fly-4<sup>th</sup>, 200 IM-6<sup>th</sup>, 100 Breast-11<sup>th</sup>, 100 Fly-2<sup>nd</sup>

**-Adrienne Tam (13-14 Girls):** 100 Fly-5<sup>th</sup>, 200 Fly-7<sup>th</sup>

**-Aaron Tran (13-14 Boys):** 200 Back-11<sup>th</sup>, 100 Back-10<sup>th</sup>

**-Sang Van (11-12 Boys):** 50 Back-13<sup>th</sup>

**-Akira van de Groenendaal (13-14 Boys):** 400 IM-13<sup>th</sup>, 200 IM-12<sup>th</sup>

**-Annemarie Vlaic (11-12 Girls):** 100 Free-3<sup>rd</sup>, 200 Free-2<sup>nd</sup>, 200 IM-16<sup>th</sup>, 400 Free-5<sup>th</sup>, 100 Fly-9<sup>th</sup>

**-Tenzin Wangpo (11-12 Boys):** 100 Back-13<sup>th</sup>, 200 IM-13<sup>th</sup>, 200 Fly-6<sup>th</sup>, 100 Fly-13<sup>th</sup>

**-Alex Wendler (13-14 Boys):** 200 Breast-12<sup>th</sup>

**-Kinley Wigle (13-14 Girls):** 100 Breast-12<sup>th</sup>

**-Sydney Wilson (13-14 Girls):** 200 Back-15<sup>th</sup>, 800 Free-12<sup>th</sup>

**-Alice Yueh (13-14 Girls):** 100 Free-8<sup>th</sup>, 200 Free-10<sup>th</sup>, 400 Free-7<sup>th</sup>  
Relay Events:

**-Girls 11-12 'A' 400 Free Relay-4<sup>th</sup>** (Olivia Powell, Kunzang Sharchitsang, Kamryn Meskill, Annemarie Vlaic)

**-Girls 11-12 'A' 200 Medley Relay-7<sup>th</sup>** (Kunzang Sharchitsang, Olivia Powell, Kamryn Meskill, Annemarie Vlaic)

**-Girls 11-12 'A' 400 Medley Relay-8<sup>th</sup>** (Maeve DeYoung, Olivia Powell, Kunzang Sharchitsang, Annemarie Vlaic)

**-Girls 11-12 'A' 200 Free Relay-7<sup>th</sup>** (Kamryn Meskill, Annemarie Vlaic, Kunzang Sharchitsang, Olivia Powell)

**-Boys 11-12 'A' 400 Free Relay-3<sup>rd</sup>** (Nathan Steiner, Tenzin Wangpo, Steven Empey, James Crawford)

**-Boys 11-12 'A' 200 Medley Relay-3<sup>rd</sup>** (Tenzin Wangpo, Sean Kim, Nathan Steiner, Steven Empey)

**-Boys 11-12 'A' 400 Medley Relay-3<sup>rd</sup>** (Aidan Johnson, Seam Kim, Nathan Steiner, James Crawford)

**-Boys 11-12 'A' 200 Free Relay-2<sup>nd</sup>** (Steven Empey, Nathan Steiner, Tenzin Wangpo, James Crawford)

**-Girls 13-14 'A' 400 Free Relay-5<sup>th</sup>** (Alice Yueh, Stephanie Lee, Chloe Tyler, Helena Jones)

**-Girls 13-14 'A' 400 Medley Relay-5<sup>th</sup>** (Dylan Gustaff, Ellie Leeming, Adrienne Tam, Helena Jones)

**-Girls 13-14 'A' 200 Free Relay-6<sup>th</sup>** (Helena Jones, Dalton Sickon, Annette Chang, Alice Yueh)

**-Girls 13-14 'B' 200 Free Relay-7<sup>th</sup>** (Stephanie Lee, Lauren Larsen, Chloe Tyler, Lexi Williams)

**-Boys 13-14 'A' 400 Free Relay-4<sup>th</sup>** (Akira van de Groenendaal, Aaron Tran, Duc Bui, Sammy Empey)

**-Boys 13-14 'A' 200 Medley Relay-4<sup>th</sup>** (Aaron Tran, Matthew Edwards, Sammy Empey, Duc Bui)

**-Boys 13-14 'A' 400 Medley Relay-4<sup>th</sup>** (Aaron Tran, Matthew Edwards, Ben Glasser, Sammy Empey)

**-Boys 13-14 'A' 200 Free Relay-3<sup>rd</sup>** (Steven Peng, Aaron Tran, Kian Warnock, Sammy Empey)

### **Meet Logistics:**

Despite being in a last minute crunch for volunteers, the meet ran smoothly and if we were lacking volunteers it went unnoticed to us and several other coaching staffs that we conversed with. That being said, this was stressful for our staff. While we likely will not be hosting Zones again for some time, a more detailed procedure of acquiring meet volunteers before the meet is recommended.

With Inland Empire hosting the meet in Gresham in 2020 we would like to try to maintain the accommodations from this year. The Comfort Inn in Gresham supported our needs and the close proximity to the pool was optimal. In addition, the busing service we used was prompt and organized and were able to accommodate our requests on short notice.

The catering services/ restaurants are all to be recommended for continued use.

We look forward to a great All-Star Meet in January!

Respectfully Submitted,

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