Athlete Meeting Report

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- We recommend Boone Fleenor and Molly Blanchard as new athlete at larges
- We got the information of some athletes interested in being on committees, Jenni sent that information out to the specific committees
- We are planning on doing a zoom meeting every 2 weeks
 - Doing the zoom in two different sessions, one with 12 and unders and then one with 13 and overs
 - To send out the information about the meeting, we are going to send it to coaches and also post it on the instagram
 - Athletes said they would rather be surprised if Olympians joined
- The committee came up with the idea of doing Virginia Swimming stickers and shirts
 - This is to help raise money for clubs that are struggling
 - To pick out the design, we are going to do a contest but then we pick two of our favorite designs and do a poll on instagram to pick which one
 - We are going to create a proposal for the board on how much it costs
- We are also getting pictures for a collage of all the athletes for the new website
 - To get these pictures we are going to be emailing coaches and asking on instagram
- Most athletes talked about wanting to go straight into short course
 - Their reasoning is that college swimming is more important that olympic trials
 - They also would want to see regionals in late January and senior champs in February
 - They were interested in doing short course prelims and long course finals
 - Or just doing a mix of long course and short course
- We also asked the athletes if they had any ideas to better our meets
 - They talked about how Senior Champs was very crowded this year and they would want to see the cuts for Senior Champs to be faster to make less people there
 - Their idea to do this was to look how many people there are in each event and make a cut off
 - They also talked about having bonus cut standards
 - They were thinking at bigger meets, having specific lanes for warming up/cooling down/pace
 - Athletes just really wanted to make a bigger emphasis on regionals
 - They were also wondering if there could be a makeup age groups, this would be for the 15 year olds that aged up and didn't get a final age groups
- Finally, the athletes really want to emphasize on that some teams might not be able to return at the same time as everyone else, but they want to make everything as far as possible

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Here are the names of the athletes attending the meeting today:

Brody Salpeter, Ciara Graves, Austin Clark, Addy Roberts, Brook-Lynn Clark, Ben Eichberg, Lewis Rockwell, Boone Fleenor, Derek Lang, Owen Geddes, Jenni Ryniewicz, Bella Kimbel, Logan Euker, Kayla Dodd, Harrison Neuhaus, Molly Blanchard, Isabelle Crampton, Hannah Tse, Lexi Nusbaum, Olivia DeRosier, Allison Dodd, Fiona Williamson, Noah Spail, Cater Wasser, Cassidy Doyle, Jack and Maddie