Motion 1507SCH1

To change the Senior Circuit meet scheduled for February 13-15, 2016 hosted by Cabrillo Threshers to a Senior II with trials and finals meet.

Discussion:

Cabrillo has hosted this meet for many years as the equivalent of what is now called Senior II format with similar time standards.

Cabrillo has been approached by a number of Pacific Swimming senior coaches reporting that many of their swimmers who have the qualifying times for a Senior Circuit meet will be traveling out of Pacific Swimming to a meet in Texas that weekend and therefore the number of swimmers coming to a Senior Circuit meet will be significantly reduced. Also, several coaches who normally have brought a significant number of swimmers to this meet have indicated that they will be unable to bring very many swimmers to the meet because of the tighter time standards.

In the past several years, the Irvine NOVA Aquatics team has made this meet as a travel meet for their mid-level senior swimmers and have brought as many as 60 swimmers to the meet. Cabrillo is concerned that with the tighter time standards, NOVA will not have a sufficient number of Senior Circuit level swimmers to justify the travel trip. This would have a significant impact on the size of the meet.

It is also feared that many of the Cabrillo parents of swimmers who could not qualify for the Senior Circuit meet will not be willing to volunteer to help run the meet.

As Chair of the Scheduling Committee and a meet official at this meet for many years, I support this request.