

Proposal to amend the Berks County Swimming Association Constitution as updated 4/24/2017

Propose - To amend the constitution to provide broader participation for both diving and swimming in the Silver and Swimming Championship meets by allowing competitors to compete in three individual swimming events combined over the Silver and Swimming Championship meets and also compete in the BCSA Chris Heebner Diving Championships

Proposed Amendments to Constitution

Rules and Regulations For Championship Meets

Article IV ... Conduct of Meets

Silver Meet

Item 4 Entries

Line item b

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Rules and Regulations For Championship Meets

Article IV ... Conduct of Meets

Swimming and Diving Championship Meet

Item 5 Entries

Line item c

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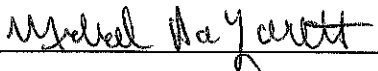
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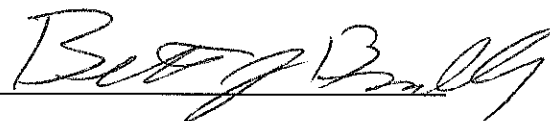
Why make the Policy change: This past year there was a noticeable decline in number of divers that participated in the dive championships, some of which were because the athlete had to make a choice between swimming 3 individual events or 2 and diving.

Now that Dive has its own Championships trophy (BCSA CHRIS HEEBNER DIVING CHAMPIONSHIPS), it gives us another reason to make a change in policy.

To be good enough to compete at our championship level for both swimming and diving takes two totally different skills. If an athlete is able to compete at that level, why would we want a policy that would be restrictive?

We are a developmental league and should be able to provide our athletes with a reasonable number of opportunities and since these skills are so different, it is my request that we make this policy change.

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