

B-1 ACTION: **Adopted** effective immediately following USA-S rules and regulations approval

<b>Location:</b>	Lake Erie Swimming Bylaws 604.1.3
<b>Proposed by:</b>	Lake Erie Board of Directors
<b>Purpose:</b>	To provide all 13 & over athlete members a fair opportunity to vote for their athlete representatives within Lake Erie Swimming. 604.1.3 is being renumbered to allow for a clearer understanding of the language.
<b>Recommendation:</b>	The Legislative Committee for LESI recommends that this proposal be adopted.

**Effective date: immediately**

**604.1** MEMBERS- The House of Delegates of LESI shall consist of the Group Member Representatives, the Athlete Representatives, the Coach Representatives, the Board Members designated in Section 605.1, the At-Large Board Members designated in Section 605.2, the Ex-Officio Members designated in Section 605.3, and the At-Large House Members.

.1 (NO CHANGE)

.2 (NO CHANGE)

.3 **ATHLETE REPRESENTATIVES-** Two (2) Athlete Representatives shall be elected, one each year for a two-year term, or until their respective successors are elected. At the time of election, the Athlete Representative must (a) be an Athlete Member in good standing; (b) be at least sixteen (16) years of age or at least a sophomore in high school; (c) be currently competing, or have competed during the three (3) immediately preceding years, in the program of swimming conducted by LESI or another LSC; and (d) have his or her place of permanent residence in the Territory and expect to reside therein throughout at least the first half of the term (other than periods of enrollment in an institution of higher education).

A. The election of the Athlete Representative shall be conducted annually ~~during LESI's short course swimming championship, or other regularly scheduled meet designated by the Board of Directors.~~ Prior to the election, the current Athlete Representatives and the Athletes Committee shall be asked to nominate one or more Athlete Members for consideration.

B. The balloting shall take place at ~~a scheduled meetings,~~ conducted by each Club Athlete Representative, that will accommodate and provide an opportunity to vote to all of that team's swimmers aged 13 or older. Each club's balloting meeting must be made public to all nominees so to allow any nominees the opportunity to attend any or all balloting meetings to present their candidacy to the voting members. If a nominee cannot attend a balloting meeting they are entitled to provide the hosting Club Athlete Representative information to present on the nominee's behalf. The Athlete Representative elected shall be determined by a majority of the Athlete Members and Seasonal Athlete Members in good standing present and voting who are thirteen (13) years of age or older.

- C. All Club Athlete Representatives will present the collected ballots from their clubs at a meeting called by the Senior Athlete Representative or the Athletes Committee, or failing that, at a time and in a manner designated by the Board of Directors, for that the purpose of tallying all individual ballots, by the Senior Athlete Representative or the Athletes Committee, or failing that, at a time and in a manner designated by the Board of Directors. The Athlete Representatives elected shall be determined by a majority of the Athlete Members and Seasonal Athlete Members in good standing present and voting who are thirteen (13) years of age or older. Prior to the election, the current Athlete Representatives and the Athletes Committee shall be asked to nominate one or more Athlete Members for consideration.
- D. The election results will be announced at the Spring Awards Banquet or Spring House of Delegates meeting.

P-1 ACTION: **Adopted** Defeated Adopted/Amended Tabled Postponed Pulled

<b>Location:</b>	LESI Policy & Procedure Section 8 specifically 8.4 and 8.5 reimbursement
<b>Proposed by:</b>	Technical Planning Committee
<b>Purpose:</b>	Increase and encourage LESI meet participation from National level athletes. Give more access to funding to those that are active in LESI meets
<b>Recommendation:</b>	The legislative committee is in support of adopting this proposal.

**Effective date: March 1<sup>st</sup>, 2015**

#### **8.4 Eligibility**

- .1 Those swimmers representing LESI member clubs or competing UN-LESI shall be eligible for reimbursement.
- .2 (No Change)
- .3 (No Change)
- .4 In order to be eligible for reimbursement for meets other than Olympic Trials, an athlete must have satisfied the following participation requirements:
  - A. competed in an LESI Championship Meet within the twelve months preceding the meet for which the reimbursement is being requested,
  - B. competed in at least one additional LESI sanctioned meet in the twelve months preceding the meet for which the reimbursement is being requested,
- .5 In order to be eligible for reimbursement for Olympic Trials, an athlete must have competed in at least one LESI meet in the twelve months preceding Trials.

**Effective date: immediately**

## **8.5 Percentages allowed**

- .1 (No Change)
- .2 Athletes: The percentage basis for reimbursement (defined in the following charts) is determined by the following two factors:
  - A. Events swum or in the case of open water championships, the athlete's time in the 1500/1650.
  - B. Number of consecutive years of registration immediately prior to the meet.
- .3 (No change)

### **PERCENTAGE OF BASE AMOUNT ALLOWED FOR MEETS**

# of Events	Consecutive Years of Registration Immediately Prior to the Meet			
	Less than 1 Year	Less than 2 Years	<del>Less than 3 Years</del>	3 <u>2</u> or More Years
Relay Only	<del>0</del> <u>25</u>	<u>50</u> <del>25</del>	<del>50</del>	100
Individual	<del>0</del> <u>50</u>	<u>75</u> <del>50</del>	<del>100</del>	100