

**Niagara LSC
Governance Committee Meeting
8/27/23 MINUTES**

Attendees: Marci Callan, Dani Richards, Mike Cutler, Kim Corby

Not Present: Sydney Richards, Tom Steuer

- Call to order at 11:03am.
- Roll Call
- Reviewed current status for LEAP process
 - Dani explained what we have accomplished so far between Dani/Marci meetings
 - Meeting with Mike Switalski to discuss DEI approach as well as openings for DEI and AWI chairperson positions
 - Discussed plan for Governance committee help as needed
 - Identified main areas of LEAP where Governance committee will be able to assist us address some of the gaps or shortcomings revealed through the process.
 - Agreed to have Governance committee review final worksheets when completed to identify the best choices to discuss in narrative responses.
- Open Water
 - Challenges in NY state and our region for making progress
 - Marci to reach out to Ashley Twitchell, Lindsay Stone and Alex Meyer re: what their experience was growing up in this area in open water and how they transitioned to become OW swimmers to help us understand what we could be doing better/differently.
 - What was their exposure level? What helped the transition? When/where did it happen?
 - Asking Bob – do we have OW certified officials? If so, how many? If not, can that be a topic for Officials Committee to address for long term goal?
- Senior VC transition to new co-chairs 9/1
 - Marci meeting with Anna and Peter on 8/28 to discuss transition (Rob was not available to join)
- Adjourn 11:47am.