

Motion #2202OC01 – Increase Official's Lodging Budget

The Officials Committee recommends an increase to the current Pacific Swimming Budget line item #58950 (Officials' Lodging) which is currently \$0 dollars. We request an immediate increase of \$6,000 dollars. This increase will help incentivize officials to work the remaining 14 LSC major meets for this 2021-2022 season.

Justification:

Without a lodging budget for selected and qualified officials, staffing the remaining meets are and will continue to be a challenge without any type of financial assistance. With BOD approval, the lodging subsidy will be for officials that travel 50 or more miles to a swim venue. The lodging subsidy will follow the revised PP model of \$100 dollars per night for the lead officials and \$50 dollars for other assigned essential officials. All requests for a lodging subsidy must be accompanied by a valid receipt and approved by the LSC's Officials Chair.

LSC major meets, are our premier meets showcasing our best athletes. The need for qualified and experienced officials working these meets is paramount. Each official is vetted and selected by their skill set. In previous years, the officials' lodging budget ranged from \$5,000-\$9,000 dollars.