

Dhahran Youth Swim League



DYSL Group Movement & Tryout Outcome Meeting

Date: December 3, 2025

Time: 7:00 PM – 8.45PM

Location: Jebel Heights

Attendees:

- Marek Zidek - Commissioner
- Safwan Abukhurma - Assistant Commissioner
- Amra Karamehmedovic (Treasurer)
- Joe Harper (IT Manager)
- Dema Takash (Training Coordinator)
- Liliya Kayumova (Merchandise Coordinitor)
- Lorna Fraser (Interim Secretary)
- Eric White (Equipment Coordinator)
- Asmaa El Qassem (ex-ass.comm)
- Marie Aronsson (Representing officials from tryouts)
- Coaches- Yassine Naouar, Arije Gharbi & Omar Naouar

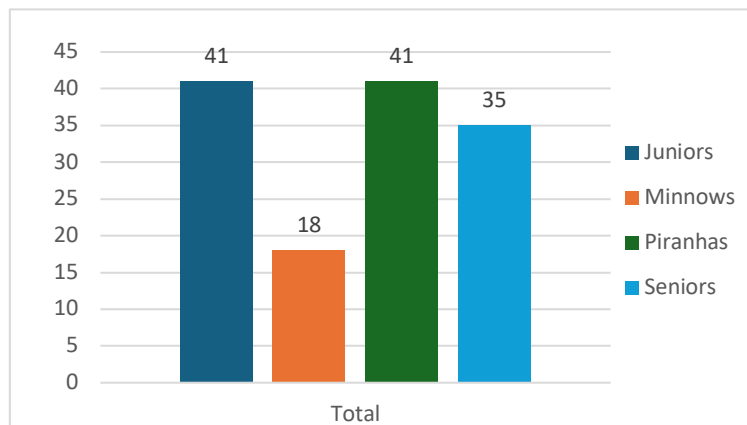
Regrets:

- Peter Chang (Secretary)
- Dadasaheb Karande (Job & Meet Coordinator)

Agenda Topics:

1. Coaches move up recommendations reviewed following their internal meeting on 20th November. Coaches had recommended 19 moving up to piranhas from minnows, 17 moving from piranhas to juniors and 14 moving from juniors to seniors. This left the spread of 135 as followed (figure 1). Coaches stated recommendations based on swimming ability.

Figure 1.



- It was discussed that this spread left too many older swimmers in minnows and piranhas. This is problematic due clash of training schedule with school finishing times. In addition, there was not enough room for new tryout swimmers.

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2. Tryout Swimmers:

- 120 swimmers registered for tryouts on 2nd December.
- 95 attended and were evaluated by all coaches and experienced volunteer officials. 25 did not show due to illness or because of the unexpected road closures around Dhahran on the date of the tryout.
- The completed evaluation forms were reviewed and assigned groups as per outcome of tryouts and were evaluated in relation to team group structure requirements.
 - i. 39 assigned to minnows
 - ii. 7 assigned to piranhas
 - iii. 3 assigned to juniors
 - iv. None assigned to seniors
- It was discussed how to fairly distribute the swimmers amongst the groups as seniors remained a small group. The group discussed the need to grow and develop the younger swimmers as a focus for the coming season and coaching should be assigned to properly fulfil this. The further movements were proposed based on swimmer's age, school grade and ability to complete the workout in each session. The coaches were asked to plan to have not only competitive swimmers in all groups but those within age for the groups that were more recreational swimmers. The sub groups A, B & C were to be proposed by coaches for their assigned groups and appropriate training sessions and challenging programs appropriate for each sub group were to be planned for each week.
- The further movements were proposed and left the groups with the final numbers as below:

Summary of Move Ups and Tryout Results

Minnows		Piranhas	
19	Moved_to_Piranhas	20	Moved_to_Juniors
14	Remaining	19	Moved-from_Minnows
29	Accepting_From_Tryout	21	Remaining
43	Minnows	7	Accepting_From_Tryout
		47	Piranhas
Juniors		Seniors	
21	Moved_to_Seniors		
20	Moved-from_Piranhas	21	Moved-from_Juniors
19	Remaining	21	Remaining
3	Accepting_From_Tryout	0	Accepting_From_Tryout
42	Juniors	42	Seniors
Tryouts		Totals	
29	Accepted_Minnows	43	Minnows
7	Accepted_Piranhas	47	Piranhas
3	Accepted_Juniors	42	Juniors
56	Declined	42	Seniors
25	Did_Not_Show	174	Total_Swimmers
120	Total_Tryouts		

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- Post meeting vote was taken by board and coaches (via whatsapp) when group tables were finalised. All members and coaches approved the group movements.
- Meeting adjourned at 8:45pm