2004 Proposed Legislation for Southeastern Swimming

I. TECHNICAL PLANNING

Α	Description	Location	BOD Rec.	Required
T-1	Late Technical Planning Proposals require 90% approval			50%
T-2	Distance event regulations at Southeastern Championships			50%
T-3	Alternate women's and men's heats in the 800 and 1500 freestyles			50%
T-4	Approve morning only choice for the 1500 and 1650 freestyles			50%
T-5	Approve 10 minute breaks prior to the 11&12 800/1000 and 1500/1650			50%
T-6	Go back to standard 8 place scoring			50%
T-7	Require 15&16 qualifying times to be slower than 17&18 times			50%

THE FOLLOWING PROPOSALS WERE TABLED AT THE SPRING MEETING

В	Description	Location	BOD	Required
			Rec.	
T-8	District Meet – change 10&U warm-up session to 1 hour			50%
T-9	All ages will swim the 400 IM, 500 and 1650 freestyles together			50%
T-10	Order of events changes for 11&12, 13&14 and Senior			50%

II. HOUSE OF DELEGATES

Considered as a block EXCEPT for any items pulled

С	Description	Location	BOD	Required
			Rec.	
R-1	Approve athlete individual meet membership	1.3A		67%
R-2	Hall of Fame Election Procedures	9.1	Approval	67%
R-5	SES SWIMS observed meet policy	4.3A14		67%
R-6	Fine for swimming an unattached swimmer on a relay	4.3A12		67%
R-7	New SES logo	Appendix 8	Approval	67%
R-8	Allow General Chair to choose an athlete to attend Convention	3.2C		67%
HK-1	Add requirement for list of officials to meet results requirements.	4.4B	Approval	67%
HK-2	Delete statement about the 6:00 Friday night start time	4.3A9	Approval	67%
HK-3	Delete statement about NTV writers.	4.3A		67%
HK-4	Delete references to Meet of Champions	9.3D, 9.6B	Approval	67%

Considered as a block EXCEPT for any items pulled

D	Description	Location	BOD Rec.	Required
R-3	SES outreach meet fee program			50%
R-4	SES Foundation			50%
R-9	Proposal to allow disabled swimmers into Southeastern Champs.			50%

SOUTHEASTERN SWIMMING PROPOSED CHANGES TO RULES AND REGULATIONS

T-1 ACTION: Adopted Defeated Adopted/Amended Tabled Postponed Pulled

T-1: Any action taken at a Technical Planning Committee Meeting that is submitted after the proposal deadline set by SES must have a 90% vote to pass. The proposal is to take effect immediately.

Proposed by: Ben Davis

T-2 ACTION: Adopted Defeated Adopted/Amended Tabled Postponed Pulled

T-2: Proposal for Distance Events at SES Championships

Proposed by: John Morse

1. SES Short Course Champ

- . SES Short Course Championships
 Limit 1000 and 1650 to 40 participants. The 40 will be made up of the fastest 8 entries in each of the three age groups (13-14/15-16/SR) and the next 16 fastest entry times regardless of age group.
- 2. SES Long Course Championships
 Limit 800 and 1500 to 32 participants. The 32 will be made up of the fastest 8 entries in each of the three age groups, and the next 8 fastest entry times regardless of age group.
- 3. General Rules for distance events:
 - A. If there are not 8 swimmers entered in one of the three age groups, fill in with the next fastest entry regardless of age group.
 - B. Entry times must be done in the 12 months before the meet (including SES Champs), and all times must appear in the S.T.A.R. data base.
 - C. Swimmers that enter the event and fail to make the top 40/32 may enter another event if they can meet the time standard.
- 4. Limit the 11&12 800/1000 free to the top 16 entry times. Entry times must be done in the 12 months before the meet (including SES Champs), and all times must appear in the S.T.A.R. database.
 - A. Swimmers will enter this event using their 400/500 freestyle qualifying time.

T-3 ACTION: Adopted Defeated Adopted/Amended Tabled Postponed Pulled

T-3: Alternate women's and men's heats for 1500 and 800 freestyles in Long Course Championships. Proposed by: Ed DeBruyn

Rationale: This is a basic fairness issues. With the number of heats (especially in the 1500) men may have to wait 2 hours (or more) to swim. They should have the same time advantages as the women.

T-4 ACTION: Adopted Defeated Adopted/Amended Tabled Postponed Pulled

T-4: Approve AM only choice for 1500 and 1650 freestyles.

Proposed by: Ed DeBruyn

Rationale: This would allow the top swimmers who need to leave early on Sunday to compete in the event.

T-5 ACTION: Adopted Defeated Adopted/Amended Tabled Postponed Pulled

T-5: Approve 10 minute break prior to the start of the 11&12 800/1000 and the 1500/1650 freestyles. Proposed by: Ed DeBruyn

Rationale: This only makes official what has been common practice in the last few years, and gives coaches and competitors a better idea of the actual timeline. The 11&12's normally have 2 relay heats to rest before they have to swim the 800's, and the seniors are coming right out of the 100 Backstrokes.

T-6 ACTION: Adopted Defeated Adopted/Amended Tabled Postponed Pulled

T-6: Go back to scoring 8 places since there are no consolation heats (9-7-6-5-4-3-2-1 and 18-14-12-10-8-6-4-2).

Proposed by: Ed DeBruynRationale: This is self-explanatory

T-7 ACTION: Adopted Defeated Adopted/Amended Tabled Postponed Pulled

T-7: Make sure that 15&16 time standards are slower than Senior time standards.

Proposed by: Ed DeBruyn

Rationale: The idea behind the 15&16 age group was to encourage more 15&16 year-olds to stay in swimming. Making the time standards faster than Senior standards is counterproductive, since it offers no advantage (it is, in fact, a disadvantage) for the new age group.

T-8 ACTION: Adopted Defeated Adopted/Amended Tabled Postponed Pulled

T-8: District Meets: Change the 10 & under warm-up session from 1:20 minutes to 1:00. The warm-ups would start at 7:00a.m. the meet would start at 8:00 a.m. on Saturday & Sunday Proposed by: Stan Corcoran

T-9 ACTION: Adopted Defeated Adopted/Amended Tabled Postponed Pulled

T-9: Swim the 400 IM, 500 free and 1650 with all ages swimming together but scored separately. Proposed by: Stan Corcoran

T-10 ACTION: Adopted Defeated Adopted/Amended Tabled Postponed Pulled

T-10: Order of events for 11 & 12, 13 & 14 and senior Proposed by: Stan Corcoran

Saturday
200 Free – all age groups
100 Breast - 11 & 12
200 Breast - 13 & older
50 back – 11 & 12
100 back – 13 & older
100 IM – 11 & 12
200 IM – 13 & older
50 fly – 11 & 12
100 Fly – 13 & older
200 free relays – all age groups
500 Free all age groups

Sunday
200 IM – 11 & 12
400 IM – 13 & older
100 free – all age groups
100 back – 11 & 12
200 back – 13 & older
50 breast - 11 & 12
100 breast – 13 & older
100 fly – 11 & 12
200 fly – 13 & older
50 free – all age groups

200 medley relays – all age groups

1650 free – all age groups

R-1 ACTION: Adopted Defeated Adopted/Amended Tabled Postponed Pulled

R-1: Athlete Individual Meet Membership

Proposed by: Tom Healey

1.3A1 – Add: c. One meet membership (only be available for meets below District level). \$15.00 Rationale: This would be a "one meet" individual membership and would only be available for meets below District Level meets. The cost would be the USA Swimming cost plus the LSC fee. This year it would have been \$10 & \$5 = \$15. Start this membership in the Fall of 2005.

R-2 ACTION: Adopted Defeated Adopted/Amended Tabled Postponed Pulled

R-2: HALL OF FAME ELECTION RULES

Proposed by: Ed DeBruyn

Delete current sections 9.1 and 9.5 and replace with the following:

9.1 Southeastern Swimming Hall of Fame

This award is presented to swimmers, coaches and volunteers in recognition of outstanding accomplishments or service to swimming.

A. Procedures

- 1. The SES Board of Directors makes selection in Olympic years.
- 2. There will be separate categories for athletes, coaches, and volunteers, with a maximum of three (3) inductees in each category. Additionally, there is a maximum of one (1) inductee from the veterans' category (Section C, below).
- 3. Nominations will be submitted to the Hall of Fame Nominating Committee (comprised of five (5) members appointed by the General Chairman) at the Spring SES meeting. The nomination should include a brief biographical sketch listing (including, but not limited to): length of time in the LSC; notable accomplishments and service to the LSC and USA swimming; coaching or volunteer awards; SES records; SES Travel Teams; National and International rankings, teams, and/or records.
- 4. The slate of nominations will be compiled and forwarded to the SES Board of Directors for review by June 1st, and voting will close on July 1st.
- 5. A 2/3 vote of the board of directors is required for election. In the event that more than three nominees in one category receive the requisite number of votes, the top three vote-getters will be chosen. In the event of a tie, a run-off election will be held within two weeks of the initial vote tabulation.
- 6. Induction occurs at the Hall of Fame Banquet.

B. Requirements for induction

- 1. All current and past members of the LSC who meet the following listed criteria are eligible for nomination.
- 2. The nominee must have a minimum of 5 years service or competition within the LSC.
- 3. Athletes are subject to all criteria listed below.
 - A. Olympic Medalist or Team Member
 - B. National or Junior National Team Member
 - C. Olympic Trials or National qualifier.
 - D. National Top 16, individual or relay.
 - E. Southeastern record breaker.
 - F. Zone All-star.
 - G. Southeastern champion, individual or relay.

C. Veterans Committee

- The General Chairman shall appoint a Veterans Committee to consider the qualifications of SES members who have been retired for at least 10 years. The committee appointees should have a record of long service to the LSC and extensive knowledge of its history.
- 2. The Veterans Committee shall supply the names and biographical sketches of two (2) Nominees to the Board of Directors for review by June 1st.
- 3. Election procedures are the same as for the other categories.

Rationale: We had no definite procedures for electing members to the Hall of Fame. This procedure was suggested and approved by the Board of Directors.

R-3 ACTION: Adopted Defeated Adopted/Amended Tabled Postponed Pulled

R-3: Proposal for SES Outreach Meet Fee Program

Proposed by: Vicki Balog

Qualification: The yearly income guidelines as used by local school districts to qualify children for the Federal Free and Reduced Lunch Program are also used to qualify SES Outreach swimmers for the reduced membership fee and participation in the reduced meet fee programs. A copy of the Federal Free and Reduced Lunch Program Verification Form must be submitted at time of registration in order to qualify for either program.

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Beginning January 1, 2005, event entry fees will be reduced by one half by the Meet Hosting team for all SES sponsored meets. SES Outreach Funds will cover the remaining half of the cost of the event entry fees if funds are available. The parent of the Outreach swimmer will pay the meet surcharge and also cover the second half of the entry fees if SES Outreach is unable to cover this cost. The SES Outreach program will pay Zones, Sectionals, and All-Star Meet entry fees. The parent of the Outreach swimmer will pay the meet surcharge for these three meets.

Steps to Apply:

- The coach or designated team representative notifies the Outreach Chairman of the number of Outreach swimmers and total events that will be swum in the meet. Names of the Outreach swimmers will only be given to the Outreach Chairman in order to protect their privacy. The team will receive electronic notice (receipt attached) when entry information is received.
- The Treasurer will verify to the Outreach Chairman that funds are available to cover swimmers for the meet or inform the team representative that no funds are available at the present time.
- Teams participating in the Outreach program must maintain \$50 in escrow to be used for payment of missed events.

If funds are available:

- When submitting an entry, coaches should include a separate list of the number of Outreach swimmers and number of events that will be swum in the meet by those swimmers on the meet entry form. No names should be included on this tally sheet. The total cost of the entry fees for these swimmers is deducted from the team's payment for the meet. Meet surcharge fees for these swimmers are included in the team's check.
- The Outreach chairman submits a request for payment to the Treasurer for the Outreach swimmers' entry fees.
- After the meet, the coach or designated team representative sends the Outreach Chairman a TM report showing swimmers times and events swam at the meet. This verification form must be received 10 days after the meet. If the swimmer did not show for the meet or skipped any events, or the report is not received within 10 days, entry fees will be deducted from the team escrow account. The coach or designated team representative will receive a copy of the guidelines and qualifications.

If funds are not available: If no funds are available then the team must submit payment for one half of the event fee. The discount from the meet host team is still in effect. The parent of the Outreach swimmer would be responsible for half of the entry fees.

Limitations: During the inaugural year, Outreach swimmers will be limited to three (3) payment requests not to exceed a yearly total of \$100 per year, or \$35 per meet for three meets of their choice, and two (2) payment requests not to exceed a yearly total of \$50 per year or \$21 per meet for two (2) SES sponsored meets (Districts, SES Champs).

Funding: General funds should fund this program for the first year - limit total approximately \$6000. Additional funds could be generated in a variety of ways, officials or coaches shirts with a portion of the proceeds to Outreach, advertising on the SES website with revenue being earmarked for Outreach to name just a few that have been successful in other areas.

Rationale: One of the goals for Southeastern Swimming, Inc. is to provide resources that help to remove financial barriers to participation and to promote the sport of swimming to under-represented and economically disadvantaged youth in the Southeastern Swimming LSC. This legislation provides a method for doing this.

R-4 ACTION: Adopted Defeated Adopted/Amended Tabled Postponed Pulled

R-4: Appoint a committee to study the feasibility of establishing an SES Foundation to provide funds for outreach, club development and capital improvements (relay take-off pads for championships, etc.).

Proposed by: Ed DeBruyn

Rationale: This would provide a funding source for the outreach, club development and capital improvements in case funds are unavailable from other sources.

R-5 ACTION: Adopted Defeated Adopted/Amended Tabled Postponed Pulled

R-5: Proposed SES Policy for loading data into SWIMS from OBSERVED MEETS (Season culminating high school district or state championships, YMCA, Collegiate, or Masters meets)
Proposed by: Trish Mitchell

Delete Section 4.3A14 and replace with:

- 14. The NTV chairperson shall provide NTVs for observed meets. NTV request procedures are as follows:
 - a. **For a championship qualifying time (Junior National or NRT):** if an athlete's USA-S ID# and registered full name with middle initial and birth date is included in the electronic meet entry/results, no individual request is necessary.
 - b. For a championship qualifying time/NRT's in which the above data is not included in the electronic results: the athlete or coach must make an individual written request to the LSC NTV chair within two weeks of the meet. A LSC Administrative fee of \$2.00 per event must be submitted with the request.
 - c. **For all other times:** individual written requests must be made by the athlete or coach within two weeks of the meet and submitted to the LSC NTV chair. A LSC Administrative fee of \$2.00 per event must accompany the request.

Rationale: Observed Swims (USA-S rule 205.5) Official times may be achieved at meets which are not conducted according to USA Swimming (USA-S) rules, provided that the meet is approved, in advance, for observation, and the particular swim is observed by USA-S certified officials, who confirm that the USA-S technical swimming rules were followed. The purpose of observing a non-USA-S meet is to provide an equitable and accurate means of proving entry times for USA-S championship level meets and to report times reaching national reportable status (NRT/Top 16 Consideration). While all LSC sanctioned competitions are loaded into the SWIMS Database and therefore into the STAR database (public site), all legal swims from observed meets are not automatically loaded into the national times database. This legislation provides the method for requesting these times.

R-6 ACTION: Adopted Defeated Adopted/Amended Tabled Postponed Pulled

R-6: Proposal to penalize teams for swimming an unattached swimmer on a relay.

Proposed by: Trish Mitchell

Section 4.3A12Specific Rules about SES competitions

A. 12. Any team entering and swimming an unregistered swimmer in the meet will be fined \$100.00. *The registration chairman and the NTV chairman will monitor and fine offending teams.*

Add: Any team swimming an unattached swimmer on a relay will be fined \$50.00. The NTV chairman will monitor and fine offending teams.

R-7 ACTION: Adopted Defeated Adopted/Amended Tabled Postponed Pulled

R-7: New Southeastern Swimming Logo

Proposed by: Ed DeBruyn

Appendix 8

Rationale: USA Swimming has asked that we stop using the old teardrop logo as soon as possible.

The new USA Swimming shield requires a separate license for each application, unlike the old blanket license for the teardrop logo. Also, if USA Swimming changes the logo in the future, we're back in the same boat. A logo that does not utilize USA swimming logo would eliminate these problems.

R-8 ACTION: Adopted Defeated Adopted/Amended Tabled Postponed Pulled

R-8: Allow General Chair to choose an athlete to attend Convention in the event that the Junior and Senior Reps are unable to attend.

Proposed by: Ed DeBruyn

C. Section 3.2 – Add: C. The Senior Athlete Representative shall attend the USAS Convention as a delegate of SES. In the event that Senior Representative cannot attend, the Junior Representative shall take his place. In the event that neither representative can attend, the General Chairperson may appoint another athlete to replace them as a delegate.

Rationale: In recent years, our athlete representatives have been unable to attend convention for a number of reasons. We cannot substitute another delegate for the athlete, thus, we are losing votes, and our athletes are losing experience. This proposal would allow the General Chair to substitute another athlete if the reps were unable to go.

R-9 ACTION: Adopted Defeated Adopted/Amended Tabled Postponed Pulled

R-9: Proposal to allow disabled swimmers into Southeastern Championship Meets Proposed by: Ed DeBruyn

Rationale: Since the Zone Meet is allowing up to 3 male and 3 female athletes per team, we need to find a way to choose our team. The proposal would allow disabled athletes to compete at Southeastern Championship meets. Entry requirements would be established by Technical Planning in conjunction with the adaptive chair.

HK-1 ACTION: Adopted Defeated Adopted/Amended Tabled Postponed Pulled

HK-1: Add requirement for list of officials to meet results requirements.

Proposed by: Larry Alexander

Section 4.4 B – Add: 13. A list of the officials (with the number of sessions and positions) who

worked at the meet.

Rationale: This is already a requirement and should be listed.

HK-2 ACTION: Adopted Defeated Adopted/Amended Tabled Postponed Pulled

HK-2: Delete statement about the 6:00 Friday night start time

Proposed by: Larry Alexander

Section 4.3 A9 – Delete section, re-number remaining sections.

Rationale: The current statement is confusing. Eliminating the statement would end the confusion.

HK-3 ACTION: Adopted Defeated Adopted/Amended Tabled Postponed Pulled

HK-3: Delete statement about NTV writers.

Section 4.3 A14 – Delete section.

Rationale: The section is no longer required since NVTs are being done by the STARS program.

HK-4 ACTION: Adopted Defeated Adopted/Amended Tabled Postponed Pulled

HK-4: Delete references to Meet of Champions

Section 9.3D Delete "when applicable, or at the Meet of Champions."

Section 9.6B Substitute "Hall of Fame Banquet" for "Meet of Champions."

Rationale: The Meet of Champions no longer exists.