

Virginia Swimming, Inc.
BoD Meeting
June 6, 2022
Executive Director Report

2022 Registrations as of 5/31/22:	2021 # as of 5/31/21:
Premium: 6366 (inc 428 Flex upgrades)	5826
Flex: 1029 (current)	804
Outreach: 71	87
Seasonal: 35	29
Total: 7501	6746
Non-Athletes: 1098	955
Clubs: 46	40

LC Super Sectional Meet: A very successful meet was held May 12-15 at CSAC with a total of 452 athletes attending. All but two LSCs from the EZ attended. I am still finalizing the financial report but can say at this point that revenues exceeded expenses.

Changes to Flex: While the changes to Flex for 2023 have not been published by USA Swimming, I have received unofficial confirmation that the registration fee for Flex will be increased to \$30 and that it will only be available for athletes who are 12 years old or younger at the date of registration. Lowering the age limit to 12 means that Flex will no longer be an option for athletes who register for a high school prep program. However, we could accommodate those athletes by changing our Seasonal membership offerings. (Seasonal memberships are limited to a period of not more than 150 days.) Currently the dates of our seasonal memberships are March 15 – August 8 of any year. We could offer an additional seasonal membership period with specific dates from fall to early winter. Another option would be to switch to using a floating season, called Individual Season, where the athlete is registered for a period of 150 days from the date the registration is submitted. One thing to note – an athlete may register for only 1 season during a given swim year. If he wants to continue, he must upgrade in the same manner that a Flex athlete must.

I sent a poll to team registrars to determine how many provide a high school prep program, the dates of the program, and an estimate of the number of athletes that participate. Of those who have responded to date, some offer a program in the fall as well as in the spring with the length of the sessions well below the 150 days allowable. Only one reporting club has a year-round program. One team offers multiple sessions for the high school program so having the floating dates would work best in that case.

Action Item: Change the type of seasonal membership that we offer from Season 1 (valid March 15-Aug. 8) to Individual Season (valid 150 days from registration date).

Action Item: Increase the LSC fee for seasonal membership \$1. (The LSC fee for 2023 will be \$13.) This will be consistent with changes made to cover the cost of processing fees we will incur for other membership categories due to OMR.

Awards Celebration: We are currently planning to hold Awards Celebration on Sunday, September 18th and are working with Busch Gardens to host it there this year. We are still finalizing the details but will release information to the clubs as soon as we have everything confirmed.

Competitive Spirit Awards: Teams were contacted on May 23rd requesting the names of the recipients for their teams to be submitted NLT today. Later this week we will submit the order for the awards and have them delivered directly to the teams.