

Virginia Swimming, Inc.
BoD Meeting
March 13, 2023
Executive Director Report

2023 Registrations as of 3/7/23

Athletes: 5392
Flex: 750 (inc 251 upgrades)
Outreach: 45
Individual Season: 255 (inc 63 upgrades)
Total: 6442
Non-Athletes: 888
Administrators: 64
Clubs: 44

2022 Registrations as of 3/7/23

Athletes: 5845
Flex: 1290 (inc. 404 upgrades)
Outreach: 71
Individual Season: N/A
Total: 7206
Non-Athletes: 1015 + 18 Life
Administrators: NA
Clubs: 41

Registration Summary: As you can see, our registrations are down (approximately 11% for athletes) as compared to last year. Because of variations in registrations during the Quad, we need to compare this with 2018, the second registration year after the Olympics. 2018 athlete registrations as of 3/7/2018 totaled 6691 so our numbers are slightly down from then, too.

Two new clubs have joined Virginia Swimming in the past two weeks: Virginia Peninsulas YMCA Swimming (VYPS) and Wytheville Waves (WW)! VPYS is based in Yorktown but will include athletes from several YMCAs in the area. It will be included in the SE District. WW is based in Wytheville and will be included in the SW District.

SWIMS 3.0: As mentioned at the last meeting the functionality of the new system continues to improve but some daily and weekly processes Emily and I complete are still taking more time than in previous years. We still need to assist some folks with registration issues and strongly recommend that anyone experiencing problems of any sort with SWIMS 3.0 contact us for assistance first. We will respond quickly and in many cases can remedy the issue at that point.

High School Swimming: This year 44 high school meets were observed and times loaded into SWIMS. For the first time, we observed District high school championship meets in addition to those at the Regional and State. One thing I learned this year is that uploading meets to TU through our website allows for easier matching. Additionally, if the results of our sanctioned or approved meets are uploaded through our website, the meet results are directly integrated into the team databases of any of our clubs that use TU. That saves the clubs the effort of adding the results file themselves.

Athlete Protection Training Issues: We continue to have issues where the appropriate APT course does not populate in the members account. If this occurs, the member should contact Emily or me for assistance immediately and we will contact the appropriate individual at USA-S to correct the problem. As a reminder, members should log into their account and navigate to the Education – Course Catalog page. Under All Courses the appropriate Athlete Protection Training course should be found.

2023 Swimposium: We on track with plans for the weekend of September 16-17.

Athlete Scholarship: This year we received 23 applications. The recipients of the scholarship for this year are Lauren Masters, WST, and our very own Senior Athlete Representative Allison Dodd, QSTS.

Junior Athlete Representative Election: Notices about the election have been sent to all clubs and coaches. Applications for the position as well as voter registrations will be accepted through March 24th. The election will be held electronically beginning on March 27th and concluding on April 5th.

April House of Delegates Meeting: The meeting will be held at the Doubletree in Midlothian on Sunday April 16th. The room is reserved from 9 am to 3 pm so that committees can also have in-person meetings that day.