

Virginia Swimming, Inc.
BoD Meeting
November 22, 2021
Executive Director Report

2022 Registrations (11/20/21)	2021
Athletes: 4797	4456
Flex: 1002	669
Outreach: 23	38
Seasonal: 0	0
Total: 5822	5163
Non-Athletes: 545 (inc. Life)	234
Clubs: 25	15

While our numbers look promising at the present, no conclusions can really be drawn until December 31 because 2021 registrations are valid through that date. Some teams wait until closer to January 1 registering their renewing athletes.

Another new team has joined: REEF (ACAC of Midlothian) and an additional team (STLH) that didn't renew last year has renewed for 2022.

Additional Membership Requirement for Clubs: As mentioned in past meetings all adult employees (anyone for whom the club generated a W-2) are required to be members of USA Swimming effective January 1, 2022. Also effective on that date is a requirement that anyone serving as a meet marshal will be required to have a valid membership. This was approved by the USA-S Board at its meeting in September but the first I heard of the requirement was in a webinar this week. I will send an email to all clubs this week to remind them of the membership requirements for employees and Board members as well as to announce the additional requirement for meet marshals. At this point I am unsure as to what is expected of LSCs for enforcing these requirements.

APT Issues: While APT issues seem to have diminished a bit, the system is not totally fixed. At the present, it seems that the issue is with those who need to renew their APT as opposed to those who are completing it for the first time. Those who need to renew should complete one of the Refresher courses. **Please remind individuals who experience difficulty contact Emily or me so that we are aware and can provide assistance.**

Club Recognition Update: Two of our clubs have met the requirements for Club Recognition. CA-Y has achieved Level I and QSTS has achieved Level IV.

Zoom Licenses: USA Swimming will continue to offer the license at a reduced rate. While the cost will be \$240 annually which is higher than last year, it is still much cheaper than the price an individual team or LSC would pay for the same services.

High School Meets: Requests for observing high school meets are starting to be sent to me. We will be observing any requested regional and state meets as in the past as well as multi-team invitationals. Request for invitationals should be submitted at least 28 days in advance of the meet. On another note, any help that club coaches can provide to ensure that the high school coach uses the correct name and ID for registered athletes is greatly appreciated. Remember - if a swim time is not available in SWIMS, please contact me so that I can look into the matter and hopefully load the time.

LEAP: I submitted our documents but have only received an automated acknowledgement that they were received. Hopefully we'll hear something soon.

Strategic Planning Session: January 2nd at Red Salt Chophouse, 12221 W Broad Street, Henrico. (West of Short Pump Mall on Broad Street.) We have the room from 9 am until 5 pm. Pastries and coffee/tea as well as lunch will be provided.

Announcements:

Scholarship deadline is January 31, 2022. The application is posted on the athlete page with a link found on the homepage of the website.