## Virginia Swimming, Inc. BOD Meeting June 9, 2024 Executive Director Report

## 2023 Registrations as of 6/7/2024

2023 (6/9/2023)

Premium: 5756	5556
Flex: 818 (inc 239 upgrades)	859 (269)
Outreach: 72	71
Individual Season: 265 (inc 33 upgrades)	344 (112)
Total: 6911	6830
Non-Athletes: 1040	1038
Clubs: 52	49

The total number of athletes is slightly higher this year than last. I believe the decline in the number of flex and individual season athletes is due to the number of individuals who mistakenly registered in those categories last year then upgraded. As such, I believe individuals registered in the correct categories this year.

**OME:** Improvements continue to be made in the system. I plan to use it for Senior Champs and Age Group Champs with teams paying Virginia Swimming directly. This will save on the processing fees as our fees through PayPal are less than the fee charged through OME. Additionally, payment of fees submitted through OME is slow!

**All Star Lists & Top Times:** The SC All Star list was posted in May and Top Times reports are updated monthly. Seasonal top times are current.

Online Member Registration (OMR) Update: Earlier this week updates were made to SWIMS for 2025 registrations; however, no setup instructions have been provided at this point. We do have a webinar scheduled for Wednesday, June 12 which will hopefully provide the needed information. I have heard indirectly that changes are in the works to make the registration process "more like it was in the past." I am not certain exactly what that will entail but I do know that bulk renewal initiated last year will continue. As always, Emily and I will keep our clubs informed about changes and will provide training as needed.

**Fall Education Weekend - Save the Date:** Is planned for the weekend of **September 14-15.** The Official's Committee is planning its annual Swimposium for the 14<sup>th</sup> but we need to decide what additional events should be included. Last year an athlete leadership training, parent education topics, coach offerings, an athlete swim clinic, and social for non-athlete members were included. **Action Item:** Identify the events to be scheduled for the Fall Education Weekend.

**Scholastic All-American:** The application period is now open! Information about the requirements and application process can be found at

https://www.usaswimming.org/times/popular-resources/scholastic-all-america. Please encourage any of your athletes who achieved a 2023 Winter Junior National qualifying time or a 2023-2024 Para Scholastic All American Standard in an individual event between 9/1/2023 – 8/31/2024 to go to the link above to initiate the application process. Invitations to apply were sent to every athlete who meets the qualifications as well as to the athlete's head coach. Emily serves as one of the SAA evaluators so please contact her with any questions or if assistance is needed. September 6 is the deadline to submit transcripts.