Virginia Swimming Board of Directors Meeting

Wednesday, May 18, 2022 8:00 pm (Zoom Conference)

Emergency Board of Directors Meeting MINUTES

Call to Order John Stanley

The meeting was called to order at 8:00 pm.

Eastern Zone Age Group Meet (Ithaca, NY)

- The Eastern Zone Age Group meet will be held at Ithaca College in Ithaca, New York.
- Maureen reported that lodging has been secured for a family travel meet. There is a block of 45 rooms reserved as a courtesy block, but parents are not required to stay in the team hotel. The cost per room per night is approximately \$240-250 per night. The meet will be family travel because there is no mechanism to deal with an athlete who becomes ill.
- The cost for the meet is slightly over what is budgeted without the athlete application fee. Maureen recommends charging \$100 for each applicant.
- Planning on approximately 70 athletes participating with 6 coaches and the team manager.
 - **Motion**: Virginia Swimming participate in the EZ LC Age Group meet in Ithaca, NY as a family travel event. The motion passed.
- Planning will continue and information will be posted to the website around June 1.
- The coach application will be sent out to the coach reps to make modifications.
- NOVA will host a pre-meet team practice and uniform distribution.
- Qualifying times have been released by the Eastern Zone. For Virginia Swimming, athletes must have 3 QTs or finished in the top two of an event at AGC. Short course times are also accepted. The coaches on the call approved of the selection method. The Age Group committee will address the top two decision for selection at an upcoming meeting.

2023 USA Swimming Registration Changes

- With the upcoming changes to the how athletes and non-athletes will register, there is a question for the Board of Directors about the Virginia Swimming portion of the registration fees will be collected.
- The new registration procedure will require families to register and pay the registration fee directly with USA Swimming. Headquarters has offered to collect the VSI portion of the dues and rebated at regular intervals with a 4% fee. The 4% fee will generate an estimated \$5000 non budgeted fee associated with this change in registration.
- The finance committee recommends that Virginia Swimming opt in for collection through USA Swimming for Virginia Swimming dues.
- Should an extra \$1 fee be added to offset the additional cost for all athlete and non-athlete registration?
 - Motion: Virginia Swimming will adopt the transactional policy of letting USA Swimming collect Virginia Swimming's dues rebated back periodically and the extra cost of \$1 per registration will offset the additional processing fees. Athlete, nonathlete, and administrator category will all have the additional \$1 fee. The motion passed.
- The board will need to consider other offerings with the upcoming changes to flex at a future meeting.

Adjournment

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The meeting was adjourned at 8:21 pm.

The next Board of Directors meeting will be on June 6 at 8:00 pm.

In attendance: John Stanley, Bryan Wallin, Brian Cann, Drew Hirth, Anthony Pedersen, Richard Hunter, Maureen Tolliver, Charlie Mayr, Bob Rustin, Kevin Hogan, Emily Fagan, Mary Turner

