



Virginia Swimming Board of Directors Meeting

Date: February 8, 2016

Time: 8:30pm

Location: Video Conference Call

Meeting called by:	General Chair	Type of meeting:	VSI BoD Meeting
Facilitator:	Admin Vice-Chair	Note taker:	Secretary
Attendees:	Steve Hennessy, Drew Hirth, Mary Turner, Ashby Marcey, Kevin McHaney, Bryan Wallin, Terry Randolph, Jill Rhyne, Jaqueline Barklund, Jessica Simmons, David Strider, Michael Braum, Alix Nielan, Art Anthony, Matthew Hopkins, Peter Maloney, Kevin McHaney		

Steve called the meeting to order at 8:43pm.

Treasurer's Report - Report submitted to group by email

- Bob submitted the treasurer's report.
- The report submitted serves as a proposal, seconded by Bryan Whalin and passed.

Unfinished (Old Business)

1. Athlete Recognition Procedures
 - Mary reviewed the proposal that was sent out to board members with meeting minutes on 2/7/2016. No one had any changes or questions about proposal. David Strider seconded the motion and the motion passed. See approved proposal at end of minutes.
2. Delinquent Fees Update/Recovery of Fees
 - One team did not meet the 1/15/2016 deadline for payment. Check was lost in the mail. They immediately sent another check for the amount. Mary has now received payment for all funds due. They have asked us to waive the late fee. Mary recommends waiving the fee based on the information that she has. A vote was taken and approved to waive the late fee.
 - Another team had check that did not arrive on time. This team agreed to pay the small late fee.
3. Championship Meet Progression Task Force
 - Jim was not able to participate in call. Drew told the group that he had asked Diane Cayce for feedback, and he has asked Terry as well. Jim is also trying to get athletes to participate. Mary asked Alix to send suggestions to Jim.
4. Bid for 2017 Zone Diversity Camp
 - Peter feels we should try to bid on 2019 camp. Two other teams have already bid on 2017 camp. Whoever hosts will have to provide housing for teams, officials, parents, etc. Peter says you must have long course access. Peter suggested the Freedom Center, which has housing behind the facility. Buffalo and Metro want to put in bids to host camps. ***Peter to investigate housing option at George Mason.*** Mary suggested Hargrave. Peter thought you could take a bus to and from the venue.
 - Steve said that Tide just put in a 50 meter pool. This remains open item until we submit our bid. Jessica to speak with person at UVA. ***Steve will contact Freedom Center. Peter to get***

details about hosting Zones Diversity Camp to Steve and Jessica so that we can look into this further.

5. Board Structure & New Board Positions

- Should Safety Chair be a board position? Safe Sport Chair must be a board position due to legislation passed at Convention this past fall. The Safety Chair becoming a board member would have to be voted on. ***We need to find out from Kevin what is required and then we can make a proposal on this issue.***
- Steve asked if we have a safety division, do we have a vice chair as an elected position. This position would require term limits.
- Once we get the answers we know how to proceed. ***Mary suggested we formalize this by coming up with job descriptions. Steve will continue to work on this.***

New Business:

1. Who will attend the Zones Meeting – May 6-7, 2016

- Steve and Mary will be attending the meeting. Steve asked if anyone would like to attend the meeting. Drew was asked to attend the meeting to represent coaches. ***Drew to confirm based on his meet schedule. Need to find out which athletes will attend. Alix will text Emily to see what her plans are for this meeting. Steve will ask Scott if he wants to go.***
- ***Everyone should firm up what they can do and shoot Steve an email. He will give this information to Mary.***
- Mary reminded everyone that we would have 5 votes, and one of them must be an athlete. Without an athlete, the LSC has only 4 votes.

Announcements:

- Mary announced that there is a Club Leadership Business School scheduled for March 29th. Location to be determined. There are 4 teams that need to go through this. All clubs are invited to attend. Mary will send invitations.
- Upcoming Board Meetings:
 - April 10th – Face to face
 - June 20th – 7:00pm - video conference
 - August 28th – 2:00pm Face to face
 - HOD Fall Meeting will be September 17-18 during Swimposium

Motion to adjourn was made and meeting was The meeting was adjourned by Steve at 9:30pm

Respectfully Submitted,

Ashby Marcey, Secretary

L. ANNUAL SWIMMER RECOGNITION (Current)

The following swimmers will be recognized in the awards program: state champions, state relay champions, VSI Zone Team members, USA-S Junior and National Championship qualifiers, new state record holders, national Top 10 times, and graduating seniors. Additionally, the following swimmers will be recognized and receive an award: all star award winners and swimmers of the year.

All star award winners will be swimmers 12 and younger who have achieved “AAA” times in two different events since the last awards event and swimmers 13 and older who have achieved “AAAA” times in two different events since the last awards event. Corresponding events in different courses will not be considered as two different events (e.g., the 400 meter freestyle and the 500 yard freestyle will not be considered two different events).

Swimmers of the year are determined by the Age Group and Senior Committees.

L. ANNUAL SWIMMER RECOGNITION (proposed change)

Virginia Swimming will recognize the following athletes at its annual awards celebration:

- *Competitive Spirit Award: This award is designed to recognize athletes for attitude, character and leadership within a team. Virginia Swimming will provide awards for each team to present to a 12 & U girl and boy as well as 13 & O girl and boy.*
- *All Star Team: Members selected for this honor include*
 - *12 & younger swimmers who have achieved a AAA time in two different events*
 - *13 & over swimmers who have achieved a AAAA time in two different events*

Corresponding events in different courses will not be considered two different events (e.g. 400 m freestyle and 500 y freestyle will be considered the same event).

Times must have been achieved since the last awards banquet or celebration.

- *Swimmer of the Year Award: This award is for an outstanding swimmers is the specified age groups as determined by the Age Group and Senior Committees. 14 & younger athletes will be recognized in single age groups. 15 & over athletes will be recognized in two age groups: 15/16 and 17/18.*