Minutes of the VSI Board Meeting

April 17, 2011

The meeting was called to order at 12:12 p.m. Present were Jessica Simons, Bob Rustin, Terry Randolph, Bill Geiszler, Mike Julian, Peter Maloney, Steve Hennessey, Brian Kupferer, Mary Turner, George Massey, David Strider, Michael Downs, Kevin Hogan, Travis Kerner, and Michael Sell.

Steve Hennessey moved that LC 2011 LC Senior champs be held at Cary NC. This was seconded by Peter Maloney and the motion passed.

The 2011 Fall Swimposium was discussed. VSI would like to attract more athletes attend and have more activities for them. The athletes' clinic will be held at Randolph Macon. Plans are in the works for official s clinics as well. VSI needs to plan a year in advance for room rental (2011 for 2012).

Bill Geiszler moved that VSI fine the team that swam 18 unregistered, at that time, swimmers in 44 events at the April 8-9 meet \$25 per violation. George Massey seconded and the motion passed with 6 voting for it and 5 opposed.

Coaches – Mike Julian reported on the deadline established to determine both swimmers and coaches of the year. Bios for coaches will be due September 1 and votes by September 15. Bios for swimmers will be due by September 15 with votes due by September 22. The coaches feel that Zones should be an all-star meet. The idea of a SC Age Group Sectional meet will be floated at the Eastern Zone meeting in May. Mary suggested that this be sent to Pete Barry within the next two weeks. T.J. Liston was nominated as a coach representative.

Athletes – Morgan reported that the athletes did not like the venue for SC Senior Champs 2011. They really liked the venue at CAC for Sectionals. They would like the LC 2011 senior champs meet to be held in Cary NC. They might set up an athlete's Facebook page. They would like 2012 SC senior champs to be held at CAC as well.

Senior Committee – It was recommended to the Safety committee to allow the use of training aids in designated lanes (not in the competition pool) during warm-ups at the meet referee's discretion. This would be dependent on facility and space. Relay times can only be used during the qualifying period and only for swimmers entered in the meet at Senior Champs. The committee strongly endorsed Brian Kupferer as Senior Chair.

Age Group – SC 2012 Age Group Champs cuts were passed. Language will be inserted in the meet announcement concerning timelines for the 10 and under session at Age Groups. The order of the relays will be changed in the meet announcement as well. Both pools for the 400 and longer events will be used to speed up the meet at the referee's discretion. District Champs hosts will be allowed to run their meets as suits their respective venues. 8 events per swimmer will be allowed with no more than 4 per day permissible. The same selection of events must be offered at each site. A minimum "B" time for the 15-18 400 and longer events at Region Champs will now be enforced.

Officials - no report

Technical Planning – A proposal brought forth by Dave Henderson was discussed. It was his suggestion that the District Champs meet be a 12 and under meet and that the Regional Champs meet be a 13 and over meet only. This has been tabled at this time. Financial worksheets will still be done for each meet. The additions and corrections to the 2011-12 schedule were presented. The new meet management procedures were also discussed and approved.

Steve Hennessey moved to adjourn, seconded by Bill Geiszler and passed.

The meeting adjourned at 1:00.p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jessica Simons/Secretary

The Board of Directors reconvened at 2:50 with everyone present.

Mary asked for permission to check with USAS Swimming to investigate the options and the cost of webinars and video conferencing for committees meetings. This was granted.

Bill Geiszler moved to offer to reimburse, up to \$100 per swimmer, the 7 swimmers who were selected to attend the Zone Select camp in May. Mary seconded and the motion passed.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:58 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jessica Simons/Secretary