Coaches' Committee Report

- 1. We need to discuss our options for Age Group Championships. I was informed by the new coach at Hargrave that the school will most likely be unable to host a dual-course meet on the scheduled dates for the meet. There is the possibility of hosting a single-course meet or hosting on a different weekend. I don't think those are viable options at this point and the decision for a dual-course meet was made in the spring. Steve Hennessy has been made aware of the situation and will be in touch with Hargrave.
- 2. There was a reported violation of the athlete code of conduct at the Long Course Zone meet in Buffalo. The incident was brought to the attention of the Team Manager and Head Coach on the final night of the meet. Appropriate steps were taken to address the matter, including notification of the athlete's parents and denying the athlete's request to ride home on a different bus than he was assigned. Though there were some rumors about what happened, I believe them to be false and that it was a relatively minor infraction that was disciplined accordingly.
- 3. The coaches will be discussing the VA Zone Team and ways to strengthen the team size and competitiveness at both the Short Course and Long Course meets. The Zone staff discussed ideas daily during our time in Buffalo for the Long Course meet. The majority of the discussions revolved around each club supporting the Zone Team more vigorously, especially at the 15-18 level.
- 4. The coaches will also be discussing a collective "vision" for VA Swimming from a coaches perspective. With several changes in meet schedules and formats over the past few years, many coaches have the desire to develop a common vision for how we serve our athletes that will drive future decisions on meet planning.
- 5. There was very little interest in any of the coach components for the swimposium that were introduced last year. As a committee, we will look at ideas that may be of more interest to coaches.
- 6. Coach of the Year and Swimmer of the Year Awards have been decided and will be presented at the VSI Banquet.