

Virginia Swimming, Inc.
Draft of Minutes
House of Delegates
April 24, 2005

Attendance: All those in attendance signed next to their name on the roster. See hard copy in notebook for questions of attendance.

Meeting Convened by George at 1310.
Meeting opened with The Pledge of Allegiance.
Minutes approved as submitted.

Budget presented by Bill: Copies of proposed budget made available. Copies of current budget made available. Bill addressed revenues of current budget summary. He explained that the original budget was for 5400 swimmers and we currently have 5700 swimmers. This explains the increase in meet rebate revenue. Once all revenues and expenses are accounted we should be very close to budget. Hosting the sectionals meet in March will be a projected net loss of ~\$4,000.00. **Accepted of treasurer's report moved. Accepted unanimously.**

Budget presented for 2005-06 by Bill. He addressed the \$8700 deficit and explained the additional line item for Junior Nationals for Long Course season is the reason for the negative budget. The budget proposal is based on 5600 swimmers and 900 nonathlete members. Bill discussed line items where there were changes from previous budget. Questions were answered. **Motion made to accept budget as proposed by the finance committee. Approved unanimously.**

Policy Changes: presented by Mary Turner. This is under section E. Fees and Surcharges in the VSI policy manual. Proposed \$1 individual and \$4.00 relay across the board increase for championship meets; with the exception of Senior Champs which will be increased from \$3.50 to \$5.00 for individual. Questions answered. **Amendment proposed by the board to change VSI rebate by .05 per individual splash and .20 per relay splash to fund the budget deficit. Seconded.** Discussion followed. **Voice vote questioned. A show of hands was taken and the motion failed. Returned to the main motion of the proposed \$1/\$4 increase. Voice vote unanimously approved motion.**

Second policy change falls under section D for Sanctioning Process. Proposal is for a \$10/day charge for meet information received 44-38 days prior to the start of the meet and \$20/day if received fewer than 38 days prior to the start of the meet. Discussion followed to look at using the rebate fees to encourage teams to turn in meet information in the time frame according to the 45 day policy. **Amendment proposed to change the charge from \$10 and \$20 per day to \$50/day charge for meet information received 44-38 days prior and \$100/day for information received fewer than 38 days prior to the start of the meet. Seconded. Amendment changed to read \$50/day for information received 1-2 weeks past the due date and \$100/day for information received 2 weeks or more past the due date.** All meet information

includes the matrix for fee increases. **Motion made to table the motion. Voice vote questioned by chair and hand vote taken. Motion failed.** Discussion returned to the motion for \$50/day if 1-2 weeks late and \$100/day if received 2 weeks or more late. **Amended to include language of draft meet announcement, sanction request, and meet fee matrix if required. Amended to read 75 days and 60 days proposed.** Discussion followed that this was unreachable at this time. **Further amended to be 60 days and 45 days. Motion approved. Returned to main motion of charging \$50/day and \$100/day for 60 days and 45 days. Motion approved.**

Nominating Committee Proposal: Slate put forward by George in Louise's absence. **Motion made to close nominations. Seconded. Approved. Motion made to elect by acclamation. Seconded. Approved.** Review section slate presented. **Motion made to close elections. Seconded. Motion made to elect by acclamation. Seconded. Approved.**

Reports of Officers:

Admin. Vice Chair: Mary Turner reviewed process of how to determine rebate fees. She looks at expenses related to splashes and the number of swimmers anticipated.

Athlete Rep: Lauren Fraley introduced as outgoing rep. She introduced Lawson Wallace as the incoming athlete rep.

Technical Planning: Steve Hennessey presented. Swim calendar of meets for 2005-06 will be published in June. State wide A+ meets will have the stipulation that 1 AA time will allow swimmers to swim 2 A events per session with their AA event. Discussion of creating an identity for areas of the State. Area 1 will be the South-Eastern District; Area 2 will be Central District; Area 4 will be the Northern District; and Area 3 will be the South-Western District. Regions: Tidewater, Blue Ridge, Northern Virginia.

Age Group Chair: James not in attendance. Jessica reported. Swimmers who have positively checked in but then do not swim are proposed to have a fee levied of \$50 to the club as a penalty. This will be brought to the HOD as a policy change during the October meeting. In the meantime, meet invitations can reflect penalties.

Report of Committees:

Top 16: Terry Randolph handed out Top 16 certificates. Proposed that no observed times from high school meets will be included in the VSI data base unless all the needed information for Team Manager is included.

Zones: Report by Carl. Results are available on the VSI Website. Coaching staff thanked. Jessica and Pam thanked for their participation.

Meeting at Zones discussed making changes. It was decided that 15-18 age group should remain a part of the Zone meet. Proposal made to look at top 40 swimmers finishing at the Sectional and allow the possibility of swimmers finishing below this level to swim at Zones (they will be given the option of which meet they would like to attend). This was unanimously supported by the 10 LSCs represented.

Sectionals: David Strider reported. Comments were positive. T-shirts are available for sale. Proceeds will go to VSI.

Safety: David Strider reported. Vests for marshals are on order.

Disability Swimmers: Lee reported. Proposal made that if a disabled swimmer's time is within 87% of the (**have Lee email requirements**) Lee, please send me needed items for this section.

Bob Rustin introduced as the new finance chairman.

Old Business: None

New Business: None

Announcements: None

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 1530.