

Proposed Changes to VSI Bylaws, Policies, and Procedures

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Bylaw Revision: #1

Proposed by: T.J. Liston and Kevin McHaney

Purpose: To remove athlete members from the Coaches Committee.

607.3 MEMBERS AND EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS OF COMMITTEES - Except as otherwise provided in these Bylaws or by the Board of Directors, members of each standing or other committee shall be appointed by the General Chair with the advice and consent of the respective division Vice Chair and the chair of the committee. Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, a sufficient number of athlete members shall be appointed to each committee (standing or otherwise; **Coaches Committed exempted**) to constitute at least twenty percent (20%) of the voting membership of such committee. The athlete committee members shall meet the same requirements as those of Athlete Representative set forth in Section 604.1.2. The division Vice Chair shall be an ex-officio member (with voice and vote) of each committee within the respective division. The ex-officio members and other designated members of certain standing committees shall be as follows:

- .3 COACHES COMMITTEE - The members of the Coaches Committee shall consist of **all the VSI coach members**~~Coach Representatives and such additional coach members as may be determined by the Coach Representatives, together with a sufficient number of at least two (2) Athlete Members to constitute at least twenty percent (20%) of the voting membership of the committee (appointed by the Senior Vice Chair, with the advice of the Athlete Representatives).~~ The ~~Senior Vice Chair~~**Coach Representative** shall chair the committee.

Bylaw Revision: #2

Proposed by: Lisa Liston

Purpose: To align the bylaw with current practice.

604.4 COACH REPRESENTATIVES-Two (2) Coach Representatives shall be elected, one each year for a two-year term, or until their respective successors are elected. The election of the Coach Representative shall be conducted annually within 2 weeks of the annual spring meeting of the House of Delegates. Nominations are accepted by the current Senior Coach Representative until the House of Delegates spring meeting. After the meeting, nominations are published and forwarded via email to all coaches by the VSI office, with votes returned via email to the Senior Coach Representative. ~~during VSI's short course age group swimming championship, under the supervision of the Administrative Vice Chair or, failing that, at a time and place and in a manner designated by the Board of Directors. Voting may be in person or by absentee ballot, and the~~ The election shall be determined by a majority of the ballots cast by Coach Members in good standing.

In the event of a resignation, a request for nominations will be solicited from all coach members. Nominations will be due within 10 days. The nominations will then be published and forwarded via email to all coaches by the VSI office, with votes returned within 5 days to the VSI office.