**August 25, 2015**

**VSI Senior Chair Report**

1. **Policy Change Proposal** – Zones participation language changes – submitted
2. **Policy Change initiative** – Travel Reimbursement adjustment – VSI Senior committee will move to adjust the policy language – currently states only certain competitions will be considered – it has been the committee’s intent to provide support to all eligible athletes – with the vast amount of potential competitions that coaches may choose to attend it is time to eliminate the competition standard.
3. **Senior Champs Time Standards** – will be reviewed at upcoming meeting
4. **2016 Senior Champs / LC Zones** - Senior Committee voted not to move the date – discussion with Age Group Chair the decision is to run SR Champs and AG Champs on the same weekend. Due to Olympic Trials the schedule is pushed back. A contributing factor is financial. Many teams would have a large part of their membership finished the second weekend of July thus loosing significant revenue for the remaining weeks of the month.
5. **VSI Education/Travel assistance for coaches** – discussions on deck suggests VSI initiate financial assistance for coaches. VSI member clubs all operate under limited budgets with expenses continuing to rise due to pool rents, travel costs etc. The committee will develop policy language for a fund to assist VSI coaches travel to educational opportunities and USA Swimming National level competitions. The committee understands fiscal year 2015-2016 budget has been set. The committee requests an adjustment to provide a funding pool for 2016 Olympic Trials.

Respectfully submitted,

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