

Virginia Swimming, Inc.  
Board Meeting  
June 6, 2004  
Minutes

Meeting Convened 1200 by General Chairman, George Homewood.

**Minutes Approved from April 24 board meeting.**

Meet Invitation for SR. Champs sent using proposal 2 instead of proposal 3 as decided by the board in error. The meet invitation will stand as sent.

Business Items:

- 1. Typhoon Late Fee refund request.** Presented by Mark Van Deren. His concern is that the deadline was changed and his team had already paid late fee. They are requesting a refund of a late fee already paid. Discussion followed that Typhoon's entries were past the reset deadline and that is why a late fee was assessed. **Motion made to cap late fee assessment at \$500.00 for Typhoon. Seconded. Approved.** Walter will review current policy and the late fee penalty discussion will continue at the next board meeting.
- 2. Budget:** Bill will review last year's budget at the HoD and John will present next year's budget. The \$1 increase for VSI is not included in the USA forms that were printed in April. VSI will hand change the forms to reflect the \$1 increase.
- 3. Disabled Swimmers:** Discussion regarding how VSI can adapt their meets to accommodate disabled swimmers. Presented by Lee Gibbs. Suggested that Kevin Hogan look into it from an Officials standpoint to assist in drafting a policy to assist meet referees during the meet. Also discussed how to assist the administrative table workers to accommodate the needs of disabled swimmers.
- 4. Meet in North Carolina:** Team requesting to have their meet posted on our web page. Discussed the option of having George Massey email all coaches and make the link available to any team that may be interested in attending.
- 5. Penalty for no shows/scratches:** Presented by Kevin Hogan. Potential policy presented. Discussion postponed.
- 6.** Recessed 1300 for HoD meeting.
- 7.** Reconvened 1530.

8. Discussion returned to potential policy changes for no shows/scratches. A swimmer's "right to compete" was discussed and the policy needs to be in accordance with this right. The officials committee will look further into this issue and report back to the board at the next meeting. The coaches' committee, age group committee, and senior committee will also look further into this issue and report back in August.
9. **USA Convention:** George asked who of the board members were planning on attending. Bill had a list furnished by Louise of who will be attending.
10. **Banquet Speakers:** George working on finding a speaker. Brooke Bennett is the first choice based on email correspondence with George. The fee of \$2500 will be over budget according to Bill, but the thought is that the overall banquet budget will tolerate the overage.
11. Vision Task force document to be organized into a working document for the board to review and take action on in August.
12. Attire for zones meets discussed. Eastern Zone committee concerned about the cost and the competition among LSCs.
13. **Safety Committee**-David Strider reported on meeting in Atlanta and importance of Marshals on deck for liability concerns.
14. **Officials Committee**-Kevin Hogan. Recognize officials who have 25+ years of service at the banquet. Pins of recognition for 5,10,25 years of service to be awarded.
15. Next meeting will be August 8 at 1400 in Charlottesville. Meeting Adjourned 1610.