

Year 14 /15 End March and YTD Sum

*** Revenue ***	
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USAS Registration	\$387,400
VS Registration	\$98,190
USAS Club Dues	\$3,850
VS Club Dues	\$1,650
Meet Sanctions	\$2,000
Meet Rebates	\$109,820
Meet Swimmer Fees	\$60,060
Sales & Misc.	\$2,500
Championship Meet Revenue	\$0
Sectional Meet Revenue	\$50,000
Zone Meet Revenue	\$50,000
SC Zones Revenue	\$0
LC Zones Revenue	\$45,150
Swimposium Revenue	\$0
Awards Banquet	\$9,000
Interest - Checking	\$10
Interest - Reserves	\$500

Total Revenue	\$820,130
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*** Expenses ***	
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USAS Registration	\$387,400
USAS Club Dues	\$3,850
Travel - US Open	\$0
Travel - LC Nationals	\$25,000
Travel - SC Nationals	\$10,000
Travel - National Team Trials	\$0
Travel - National Youth Team	\$1,500
Travel - Discretionary	\$3,000
Senior Championships Support	\$10,000
Championship Meet Expenses	\$3,000
Sectional Meet Expenses	\$50,000
Zone Meet Expenses	\$50,000
SC Zones Expenses	\$0

LC Zones Expenses	\$85,650
Administrator	\$29,700
Payroll Taxes	\$2,700
Webmaster	\$25,000
Website Expenses	\$3,000
Administration Expenses	\$10,000
Awards Banquet	\$35,500
National Convention	\$12,000
Equipment	\$3,000
Officials Training & Travel	\$14,000
Supplies & Misc.	\$5,000
USAS Workshops	\$3,000
VS Workshops	\$1,000
VS Camps & Clinics	\$4,000
Diversity & Outreach Programs	\$6,000
Safe Sport Programs	\$2,500
Make A Splash Programs	\$6,000
Coach Mentoring Program	\$2,000
Zone Meeting	\$3,000
Championship Meet Awards	\$30,000

Total Expenses	\$826,800
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Net Income (Loss)	(\$6,670)
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Checking:

Beginning Funds

Net Income (Loss)

Interest Transferred from (to) Reserves

Other Transfers from (to) Reserves

Ending Funds

VS Reserves

Total Funds

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March Actual	Year to Date
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\$2,496.00	\$355,764
\$852.00	\$90,724
\$70.00	\$3,290
\$30.00	\$1,410
\$400.00	\$1,580
\$36,752.59	\$98,645
	\$1,071
	\$2,500
	\$0
\$5,000.00	\$5,000
	\$6,725
	\$0
	\$0
	\$3,609
	\$6,710
\$1.91	\$12
\$12.89	\$170

\$45,615	\$577,210
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\$7,399.00	\$361,621
\$70.00	\$3,360
	\$0
	\$1,238
\$1,100.00	\$11,493
	\$0
	\$0
	\$0
\$5,000.00	\$5,721
\$1,740.99	\$2,326
	\$0
	\$702
	\$0

	\$4,594
\$2,475.00	\$17,325
\$214.50	\$1,406
\$1,417.00	\$8,502
	\$547
\$482.94	\$6,515
\$4,735.19	\$17,727
	\$12,678
\$218.00	\$1,660
\$2,179.58	\$4,660
	\$1,066
	\$2,000
	\$0
	\$877
\$1,117.75	\$3,314
	\$0
	\$4,000
	\$500
\$7,496.92	\$14,679

\$35,646.87	\$488,511.31
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\$9,968.52	\$88,698.79
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\$154,608.00
\$88,699
(\$169.89)
\$0.00
\$243,137

\$380,184

\$623,321

Virginia Swimming SC Sr Champs 2015

Thursday March 5	Friday March 6	Saturday March 7	Sunday March 8
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Warm up 12:30 to 1:50	Prelim Warmup 6:30 - 8:20	Prelim Warmup 6:30 - 8:20	Prelim Warmup 7:00 - 8:20
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1:00 Positive Check-in closes	8:25 General Meeting
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2:00 Competition Starts	8:40 Competition Starts	8:30 Competition Starts	8:30 Competition Starts
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5:30 Friday Scratch Box closes	9:30 800Y Freestyle relay check-in closes	9:30 400Y Medley relay check-in closes	9:30 400Y Freestyle relay check-in closes
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Finals	Finals	Finals
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Warm up 4:30 to 5:35	Warm up 4:15 to 5:20	Warm up 3:30 to 4:20
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5:45 Competition Starts	5:45 Competition Starts	4:30 Competition Starts
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6:30 200 Y Freestyle Relay check-in closes	6:30 200 Y Medley Relay check-in closes
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6:30 Saturday Scratch Box Closes	6:30 Saturday Scratch Box Closes
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6:30 1000 Y Freestyle Positive Check-in closes
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Nominating Committee Report

- **Slate of Officers:** The Committee published the following on April 6th:
 - General Chair:** Steve Hennessy
 - Administrative Vice Chair:** Jim Frye & Jessica Simons
 - Senior Vice Chair:** Ted Sallade
 - Age Group Vice Chair:** Scott Baldwin
 - Secretary:** Ashby Marcey
 - Treasurer:** Bob Rustin
 - Technical Planning:** Lisa Liston & Michael Sizemore
 - Administrative Review Board:**
 - Art Anthony
 - George Homewood
 - Terry Randolph
 - Thomas Durocher (Athlete)
 - Nominating Committee:**
 - Amy Brehl
 - Jim Frye
 - David Hillery
 - Mary Turner
 - Alix Neilan (Athlete)
- **Additions to Slate:** If the currently proposal for the Administrative Review Board is approved, the House of Delegates needs six members. The Committee has three individuals who are willing to have their names added to the slate and these individuals will be nominated from the floor. Likewise, an individual has expressed an interest in serving on the Nominating Committee so she will also be nominated from the floor.

**Slate of Officers
for
Elections to be held at the April 26, 2015
House of Delegates**

General Chair:

Steve Hennessy (CGBD)

Administrative Vice Chair:

Jim Frye (UN)

Jessica Simons (UN)

Age Group Vice Chair:

Scott Baldwin (HOKI)

Senior Vice Chair:

Ted Sallade (PSDN)

Secretary:

Ashby Marcy (NOVA)

Treasurer:

Bob Rustin (PSDN)

Technical Planning Chair:

Lisa Liston (LY)

Michael Sizemore (RAYS)

Administrative Review Board: Pending approval of Section 610 in Proposed Legislation

Art Anthony (UN)

George Homewood (UN)

Terry Randolph (UN)

Thomas Durocher (athlete RPST)

Nominating Committee:

Amy Brehl (HOKI)

Jim Frye (UN)

David Hillery (TAC)

Mary Turner (UN)

Alix Neilan (Athlete BASS)

Respectfully submitted,

Amy Brehl, Jim Frye, David Hillery, Peter Maloney, Kara Morgan McHaney, Caroline Henry, Mary Turner

Championship Meet Progression

In our current procedures manual it is stated that meets in our championship progression shall be conducted as nearly identically as possible in terms of event order, whether timed finals or prelims and finals etc. Until the past 3 years this has been customarily been done. As VSI has grown however, the original plan no longer fits the number of swimmers in our LSC.

The AG committee in its work has determined that the championship meets at the District and Regional level should be set up and organized in the most part by the club hosting the meet. This does give flexibility to using different venues and being more responsive to needs of different parts of the LSC. However it also gives rise to considerable areas of inequality for swimmers. If we did not assign teams to the different championship meets it would not matter as much if they all were run exactly the same way, but since teams are assigned to these meets and not allowed to choose what type of meet they would prefer to attend it seems only fair to me that all the meets are conducted as prescribed in our procedures, having the same format, offering the same events and running the events in the same way, i.e. timed finals or prelims and finals. This was not done this past year. Also combining a district meet with a regional meet definitely puts some swimmers at a disadvantage because of changes in age. It does not seem to me that we are offering the proverbial "level playing field" to all our swimmers at the end of season championship level as we once did. I would like this matter and the current procedure to be revisited by the Age Group Committee and the BOD.

PROPOSAL FOR CHANGE IN METHOD OF OVERSIGHT OF MEET ANNOUNCEMENTS

One person would be selected from the following groups. If possible coaches and officials as well as parents should all be represented.

1. AG Committee
2. SR Committee
3. Admin. Section (could be the Admin Vice Chair or a person he/she delegates)
4. Reg./Office (someone to look particularly at registration requirements)
5. At large (another person with considerable experience in meets and the problems involved.)

All the above would look at meet announcements and report changes and/or problems that are observed to Tech planning chair. When he/she (Tech. Planning) gives the ok to the Admin. Vice Chair sanction is issued. Reports to Tech. Planning Chair should be made within 3-5 days.

Requests for increased fees would be handled as now by the Admin. Vice Chair and the Tech. Planning Chair.

Dual meets, TT, Intra-squad meets should be overlooked by the Technical Planning Chair and recommended to the Admin. Vice Chair for sanction.

Out of LSC meets should be handled by Admin Vice Chair as now following guide lines established by VSI.

Board Members:

Attached is the Proposed 2015-16 Budget developed at the Finance Committee meeting on April 11th. The meeting was attended by Gordon Hair, Dave Henderson, Bob Rustin, and Bill Geiszler. Ted Sallade and Kelsey Naylor were unable to attend. Two other related attachments are also included. The attachment on budget inputs provides a summary of numbers used in projecting the budget.

Several major items to note about the proposed budget are:

- (1) the budget projects an overall financial loss of \$84,380 for the year which would be drawn from available reserve funds;
- (2) a new expense of \$50,000 is shown on line 52 for Club Development Grants which would be requested by member clubs;
- (3) the VS Registration revenue projected on line 2 includes reducing the VS part of the registration fee from \$7 to \$0 for Individual Membership (officials, coaches, etc.);
- (4) the Meet Rebates revenue on line 6 includes reducing the event rebate fee for Championship Meets from \$1.40 to \$1.25;
- (5) financial support for Senior Championships on line 27 is increased from \$10,000 to \$15,000.

The committee is also proposing a target level of funds that Virginia Swimming hold in reserve. The amount proposed is based on the annual total net expenditures made by VS during the fiscal year. In the attachment identified as budget groupings, the USA Swimming registration fees collected by VS and passed on to USAS have been removed from the Revenues. Also the fees collected for specific activities (Zone Team, Awards Banquet, etc.) have been relocated to become offsetting lines against corresponding expenses. The net expenditures by VS (excluding Club Development Grants) is shown on the Total Net Expenses line as \$298,850. The Finance Committee proposes that VS set a target funds level of 125% of the Total Net Expenses, or \$373,560 for the 2015-16 fiscal year. This target level should be compared to the actual funds available at the end of the preceding fiscal year (i.e., at the end of August 2015). The Total Funds at the end of the last fiscal year were \$534,693. We anticipate that the Total Funds at the end of the current fiscal year will be in the same range, which is about \$160,000 more than the target level. The 2015-16 projected budget deficit of \$84,380 for 2015-16 is then roughly 50% of the 'excess' funds.

If Club Development Grants are approved in next year's budget, a committee should be established to review grant applications and recommend awards. The Finance Committee proposes that the Club Development Grants Committee consist of the following: an Athlete, a Coach, an Official, a VS Board Member, a House of Delegates member, and a Finance Committee member.

I realize this is a lot of information. Please let me know if something needs clarification or if you have questions.

Bill

BUDGET GROUPINGS 2015-16

REVENUES AND EXPENSES	BUDGETED	SUBTOTAL	% OF TOTAL	CATEGORY
OPERATING REVENUES:				
1 USAS REGISTRATION				
2 VS REGISTRATION	\$92,400			
3 USAS CLUB DUES				
4 VS CLUB DUES	\$1,560	\$93,960	35.5%	REGISTRATION
5 MEET SANCTIONS	\$2,500			
6 MEET REBATES	\$165,000			
7 MEET SWIMMER FEES	\$0	\$167,500	63.3%	MEETS
8 SALES & MISC	\$2,500			
16 INTEREST-CHECKING	\$10			
17 INTEREST-RESERVE	\$500	\$3,010	1.1%	OTHER
18 TOTAL NET INCOME	\$264,470	\$264,470		
OPERATING EXPENSES:				
ATHLETE PROGRAM EXPENSES				
21 TRAVEL - US OPEN	\$2,500			
22 TRAVEL - SUMMER NATIONALS	\$25,000			
23 TRAVEL - WINTER NATIONALS	\$20,000			
24 TRAVEL - OLYMPIC/TEAM TRIALS	\$12,000			
25 TRAVEL - NATIONAL YOUTH TEAM	\$1,500			
27 SENIOR CHAMPIONSHIPS SUPPORT	\$15,000			
29 SECTIONAL MEET EXPENSES	\$10,000			
10 SECTIONAL MEET REVENUE	(\$10,000)			
30 ZONE MEET EXPENSES	\$50,000			
11 ZONE MEET REVENUE	(\$50,000)			
31 SC ZONES EXPENSES	\$0			
12 SC ZONES REVENUE	\$0			
32 LC ZONES EXPENSES	\$85,500			
13 LC ZONES REVENUE	(\$45,000)			
38 AWARDS BANQUET EXPENSES	\$40,000			
15 AWARDS BANQUET REVENUE	(\$25,000)			
40 EQUIPMENT	\$3,000			
45 VS CAMPS/CLINICS	\$4,000			
46 OUTREACH/DIVERSITY PROGRAMS	\$6,000			
47 SAFE SPORT PROGRAMS	\$1,000			
48 MAKE A SPLASH PROGRAMS	\$10,000			
51 CHAMPIONSHIP MEET AWARDS	\$30,000	\$185,500	62.1%	ATHLETES
ADMINISTRATION EXPENSES				
33 ADMINISTRATOR SALARY	\$30,600			
34 PAYROLL TAXES	\$2,750			
35 WEBMASTER	\$18,500			
36 WEBSITE IMPROVEMENT	\$3,000			
37 ADMINISTRATION EXPENSES	\$10,000			
42 SUPPLIES & MISC	\$5,000	\$69,850	23.4%	ADMINISTRATION
VOLUNTEERS TRAINING & TRAVEL				
26 TRAVEL - DISCRETIONARY	\$3,000			
28 CHAMPIONSHIP MEET EXPENSES	\$5,000			
9 CHAMPIONSHIP MEET REVENUE	\$0			
39 CONVENTION	\$14,000			
41 OFFICIALS TRAINING & TRAVEL	\$16,000			
14 SWIMPOSIUM REVENUE	(\$3,500)			
43 USAS WORKSHOPS	\$3,000			
44 VS WORKSHOPS	\$1,000			
49 COACH MENTORING PROGRAM	\$2,000			
50 ZONE MEETING	\$3,000	\$43,500	14.6%	VOLUNTEERS
52 TOTAL NET EXPENSES	\$298,850	\$298,850		
51 CLUB DEVELOPMENT GRANTS	\$50,000			
53 INCOME LESS EXPENSES & GRANTS	(\$84,380)			

TARGET RESERVES FOR 8/31/2015:
(125% of Total Net Expenses)

\$373,560

2015-16 BUDGET INPUTS

Item	Number	USA-S Fee	VS Fee
Registration Estimates:			
athletes	6600	\$54.00	\$14.00
individuals	770	\$54.00	\$0.00
families	40	\$108.00	\$0.00
clubs	52	\$70.00	\$30.00
Athlete Travel Reimbursements:			
US Open	5		\$500.00
Winter Nationals (Sr & Jr)	40		\$500.00
Summer Nationals (Sr & Jr)	50		\$500.00
Olympic or National Team Trials	20		\$600.00
National Youth Team	2		\$750.00
VSI Support for Events:			
Awards Banquets			\$15,000.00
SC Zone Team			\$0.00
LC Zone Team			\$40,500.00
Senior Championship Meets			\$15,000.00

VIRGINIA SWIMMING PROPOSED BUDGET

	REVENUES AND EXPENSES	2013-14 BUDGET	2014-15 BUDGET	PROPOSED 2015-16 BUDGET	
	REVENUES				
1	USAS REGISTRATION	\$370,000	\$387,400	\$402,300	
2	VS REGISTRATION	\$96,880	\$98,190	\$92,400	policy change?
3	USAS CLUB DUES	\$3,500	\$3,850	\$3,640	
4	VS CLUB DUES	\$1,500	\$1,650	\$1,560	
5	MEET SANCTIONS	\$1,600	\$2,000	\$2,500	
6	MEET REBATES	\$100,100	\$109,820	\$165,000	policy change?
7	MEET SWIMMER FEES	\$59,200	\$60,060	\$0	
8	SALES & MISC	\$2,000	\$2,500	\$2,500	
9	CHAMPIONSHIP MEET REVENUE		\$0	\$0	
10	SECTIONAL MEET REVENUE		\$50,000	\$10,000	
11	ZONE MEET REVENUE	\$0	\$50,000	\$50,000	
12	SC ZONES REVENUE	\$25,500	\$0	\$0	
13	LC ZONES REVENUE	\$38,900	\$45,150	\$45,000	
14	SWIMPOSIUM REVENUE		\$0	\$3,500	
15	AWARDS BANQUET	\$4,500	\$9,000	\$25,000	
16	INTEREST-CHECKING	\$10	\$10	\$10	
17	INTEREST-RESERVE	\$500	\$500	\$500	
18	TOTAL INCOME	\$704,190	\$820,130	\$803,910	
	EXPENSES				
19	USAS REGISTRATION	\$370,000	\$387,400	\$402,300	
20	USAS CLUB DUES	\$3,500	\$3,850	\$3,640	
21	TRAVEL - US OPEN	\$5,000	\$5,500	\$2,500	
22	TRAVEL - SUMMER NATIONALS	\$25,000	\$25,000	\$25,000	
23	TRAVEL - WINTER NATIONALS	\$10,000	\$10,000	\$20,000	
24	TRAVEL - OLYMPIC/TEAM TRIALS			\$12,000	
25	TRAVEL - NATIONAL YOUTH TEAM	\$1,500	\$1,500	\$1,500	
26	TRAVEL - DISCRETIONARY	\$3,000	\$3,000	\$3,000	
27	SENIOR CHAMPIONSHIPS SUPPORT	\$10,000	\$10,000	\$15,000	
28	CHAMPIONSHIP MEET EXPENSES		\$3,000	\$5,000	
29	SECTIONAL MEET EXPENSES	\$0	\$50,000	\$10,000	
30	ZONE MEET EXPENSES	\$0	\$50,000	\$50,000	
31	SC ZONES EXPENSES	\$52,500	\$0	\$0	
32	LC ZONES EXPENSES	\$71,900	\$85,650	\$85,500	
33	ADMINISTRATOR SALARY	\$27,000	\$29,700	\$30,600	
34	PAYROLL TAXES	\$2,450	\$2,700	\$2,750	
35	WEBMASTER	\$25,000	\$25,000	\$18,500	
36	WEBSITE IMPROVEMENT	\$3,000	\$3,000	\$3,000	
37	ADMINISTRATION EXPENSES	\$12,000	\$10,000	\$10,000	
38	AWARDS BANQUET	\$11,500	\$35,500	\$40,000	
39	CONVENTION	\$12,000	\$12,000	\$14,000	
40	EQUIPMENT	\$3,000	\$3,000	\$3,000	
41	OFFICIALS TRAINING & TRAVEL	\$14,000	\$14,000	\$16,000	
42	SUPPLIES & MISC	\$3,000	\$5,000	\$5,000	
43	USAS WORKSHOPS	\$3,000	\$3,000	\$3,000	
44	VS WORKSHOPS	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$1,000	
45	VS CAMPS/CLINICS	\$4,000	\$4,000	\$4,000	
46	OUTREACH/DIVERSITY PROGRAMS	\$6,000	\$6,000	\$6,000	
47	SAFE SPORT PROGRAMS	\$5,000	\$2,500	\$1,000	
48	MAKE A SPLASH PROGRAMS	\$5,000	\$6,000	\$10,000	
49	COACH MENTORING PROGRAM		\$2,000	\$2,000	
50	ZONE MEETING	\$3,000	\$3,000	\$3,000	
51	CHAMPIONSHIP MEET AWARDS	\$28,000	\$30,000	\$30,000	
52	CLUB DEVELOPMENT GRANTS			\$50,000	policy change?
53	TOTAL EXPENSES	\$720,350	\$829,300	\$888,290	
54	INCOME LESS EXPENSES	(\$16,160)	(\$9,170)	(\$84,380)	

Rules/Legislation Coordinator Report

April 22, 2015

- VSI By-Laws, as amended at the previous two HOD meetings, have been reviewed and approved by USA-S. We have also received an approval letter for use with the LEAP program. We were not required to make the Safety Chair/Coordinator a required BOD position.
- Proposed amendments to the VSI By-Laws to be acted on by the HOD

Remove the Membership/Registration Coordinator as an elected and voting member of the BOD

Articles: 605.1.9, 605.3.4, 605.6.2, 606.1, 606.2, and 607.2.1.A

Proposed by: Steve Hennessy

Summary: The proposed changes remove the Membership/Registration Coordinator as an elected, regular member of the BOD and the Executive Committee, and they make the position an ex-officio member of the BOD. These changes will allow the Membership/Registration Coordinator to also serve as the VSI Administrator and to advise the BOD in that capacity.

Establish an Administrative Review Board

Article: 604.4.4, 604.8.3, 610

Proposed by: Kevin Hogan

Summary: This amendment establishes a VSI Administrative Review Board (ARB). The ARB is meant to hear complaints and appeals regarding administrative matters within VSI, which do not rise to the level of Code of Conduct violations and are not appeals of sanction decisions.

- Proposed amendments to the VSI Policies to be acted on by the HOD

Housekeeping

Policies and Procedures Section: Changes are made throughout both sections

Proposed by: Kevin Hogan

Summary: Changes have been made throughout to reconcile position titles with the titles used in the by-laws, to otherwise replace “Chairman” or Chairperson” with “Chair,” to replace reference to the VSI Board of Review with the Zone Board of Review, to update USA Swimming Rules and Regulations citations, and to bring consistency throughout the document.

Link the Membership/Registration Coordinator Position to the Administrator Position

Polices Section: C.1

Proposed by: Steve Hennessy

Summary: The proposed bylaw amendments make the Membership/Registration Coordinator an ex officio, non-voting member of the Board of Directors. This amendment to the policies would link the Membership/Registration Coordinator position to the Administrator position.

Appeal of Fines to the Administrative Review Board

Policies Section: J.7.d (page 9)

Proposed by: Kevin Hogan

Summary: This amendment first requires an amendment to the by-laws to establish a VSI Administrative Review Board (ARB). The purpose of the amendment is to have the ARB, rather than the BOD, handle the appeals process for fines.

Sanction/Approval Requests Approval Process

Policies Section: L.6 and L.7 (page 10-11)

Proposed by: Lisa Liston, Terry Randolph, Kevin Hogan

Summary: The Eastern Zone has established a Zone Sanction Appeal Panel to adjudicate instances where a meet sanction or approval has been denied and the applicant feels that it was an unfair decision. The amendment adds language to clarify the sanctioning/approval process so that it meets the requirements of the zone sanction appeals process.

Meet Results and Financial Reports

Policies Section: O.1 (page 12)

Proposed by: Lisa Liston

Summary: The amendment is meant to clarify that a complete meet report includes both the report itself as well as the associated fees.

- Proposed amendments to the VSI Procedures to be acted on by the BOD

Housekeeping

Policies and Procedures Section: Changes are made throughout both sections

Proposed by: Kevin Hogan

Summary: Changes have been made throughout to reconcile position titles with the titles used in the by-laws, to otherwise replace “Chairman” or Chairperson” with “Chair,” to replace reference to the VSI Board of Review with the Zone Board of Review, to update USA Swimming Rules and Regulations citations, and to bring consistency throughout the document.

Outreach Athlete Reimbursement Decision Appeal Process

Procedures Section: E.4.b(9) (page 29)

Proposed by: Kevin Hogan

Summary: This amendment first requires an amendment to the by-laws to establish a VSI Administrative Review Board (ARB). The purpose of the amendment is to have the ARB, rather than the BOD, handle the appeals process for decisions regarding the reimbursement of fees for Outreach Athletes.

Annual Swimmer Recognition

Procedures Section: H (page 34-36)

Proposed by: Lisa Liston

Summary: To clarify the process by which all-state awards, swimmers of the year, open water swimmers of the year, and disable swimmers of the year are recognized.

Respectfully submitted,

Kevin T. Hogan
Rules/Legislation Coordinator

VSI Officials Chair Report April 2015

LSC Officials Chairs Qtr. Meeting(April 1)

Rules and Regulations

Deck Changing- Discussion regarding the deck changing letter that was send out. The Rules Chair has received a wide variety of methodology on how to handle athletes. The reason behind the “no changing on deck” rule is an attempt to change the paradigm that it’s acceptable behavior. Officials should be watching the pool and reporting any infractions to the coach and they are not to confront the athlete.

Task Forces

- Discuss eliminating timing correction from the rule book
- Dealing with transgender athletes
- Reworking the 120 day rule

Questions regarding the rules and interpretations should go through the LSC Officials Chair.

A reminder that the new rule book doesn’t go into effect until May 15.

Testing

Eliminating part 2 of the online testing. Instead of having the test-taker find where the rule is in the rulebook, there will be a hint installed if needed.

The testing program will shut down from April 15 until May 1 for updates.

OTS

With registration cards going the way of the dodo, they are working on adding LSC/National certifications to Deck Pass. You can always print your card from the USA-S website. *There was no negative feedback from the District Chairs regarding this.*

Future/Junior Nationals

Being the same weekend may or may not make it difficult to staff these meets especially with LSC championship meets running around the same time.

Next LSC Official Chair Committee Meeting will be May 29-31 in Minneapolis.

Championship Meets

The District and Regional meets were staffed reasonably well considering these take place during the High School Championship season. Disqualifications, during Regionals, had a similar ratio per number of athletes in all 3 meets. The Southeast did seem to have a slightly higher number most of which were False Starts. Age Groups was well staffed. Seniors was a little light based on previous years. Michael Sizemore will be the Meet Referee for LC Seniors in Richmond. Dan Demers is serving as Meet Referee at LC Age Groups in Christiansburg.

Referee Post Meet Reports

It was suggested that the host team be copied on the RPMR when the Meet Referee submits the report. The District Chairs were not in favor of this. The overall feeling was that these reports are submitted with the thought they are going to be reviewed and read with some decorum and issues brought up will be handled/reviewed by the LSC, and the Meet Referee won't be put in a position where they feel they can't be forthcoming with issues. There should be nothing in the Meet Report that hasn't been addressed with the Meet Director/Host Club and the report is a way of letting the LSC know what is going on at meets and if the LSC sees continuing issues with certain teams and or venues, the LSC should address those issues.

Recruitment

Gordon is now reaching out to potential volunteers that took clinics in the Fall/Winter and didn't complete their training. The hope is to try and figure out what the obstacles are, and attempt to reduce them. We have had 49 officials get certified this season and currently we have 418 Officials in OTS

Administrative Official/Deck Referee

Dan Demers and Laura Razzolini worked on merging the Recorder and Timing Judge into the Administrative Official position. The training draft was submitted and will be reviewed by the Committee over LC and we plan on having it finished by the beginning of SC season. At this time we are considering removing the Timing Judge prerequisite certification for becoming a Referee. With all of our meets requiring a AO to validate the times, the need for Deck Referee to be proficient in how the times should be adjusted isn't as imperative as it once was. Currently, most of the Referee's get certified as a Timing Judge, just to become a Deck Referee and they seldom go back to the dry deck side. Instead of being certified as a Timing Judge the plan is have the Referee in training continue and train during a prelim/final meet as current practice. Then add some timed final sessions where they can become familiar with timing adjustments and how the information flows. This could also allow us to certify our Meet Referee's, by requiring them to be certified as Deck Referee and an Administrative Official before being eligible to server as an Meet Referee. Like evolving the Recorder/TJ into the AO, the hope is to have the Referee (Deck/Meet) finished by SC next season.

Also, congratulations to Art Zachery for finishing his training at Deck Referee. Currently there are 3 officials training: Gerri Cole, Scott Greiner and Judy Kay Schroer.

Respectfully Submitted,
Bryan C. Wallin

Registration / Office Administrator Report
House of Delegates Meeting
April 26, 2015

- **2015 Registration Numbers as of 4/22/15:**

Athlete:	6193	Non-Athlete:	836
Athlete Outreach:	33		
Athlete Season 1:	35	Clubs:	51
Total:	6261		

- **Non-Athlete Cards for Officials:** The Official's Committee has endorsed the use of the certification card printed through OTS in lieu of the usual USA Swimming membership card. Therefore, I will not print and mail membership cards to officials. I will continue to send membership cards to all coaches and members classified as 'Other'.
- **BG Check:** Just a reminder that all non-athlete members now complete the same BG check and there is no longer any distinction between Level 1 and Level 2. The cost of the background check has been reduced to \$36.50.
- **Swimposium/Fall HoD Meeting:** The Swimposium will be held on Saturday, September 19th followed by the House of Delegates meeting on Sunday at the Richmond Midlothian Doubletree. Steven Phillips is currently making arrangements for an Athlete Clinic on the 19th as well.
- **Safety Training for Swim Coaches:** The USA Swimming Operational Risk Committee approved a checklist of in-water skills that can be completed by a certified lifeguard instructor from any of the following approved agencies:
 - American Lifeguard Association
 - American Red Cross (WSI, Instructor Trainer, and STSC instructors, too)
 - Ellis & Associates
 - Starguard
 - YMCA

For those coaches who are not certified as a lifeguard this checklist, in conjunction with the online Red Cross Safety Training course, will meet the requirements for the STSC certification. Both the checklist and the certificate indicating completion of the online course need to be submitted for certification.

Remember: Before taking any course for recertification, always check the list of approved courses that can be found here: [Acceptable Safety Courses](#).

Club Development Report,

I have sent USA Swimming the VSI's renewal application for the Coaches Mentoring

Program. I should be hearing back from them in the next month or so if we have been

accepted as one of the LSC's to receive funding from USA Swimming.

The interest from the LSC was not that great. We only had one coach who wanted to take

part. Even then we had problems trying to get a meetings set-up between the coach and the

mentor. The mentor coach was not responding to the request.

I am looking into the future for the Fall Swimposium. The topic of Strength training and

Conditioning by age group levels was brought to my attention, so I am looking into this for

the coaches at the swimposium.

Thank You,

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Steven Phillips

Equipment Coordinator Report

April 2015

1. One of our Meet manager computers (VSI 1) has been reporting issues where the computer will randomly shut down without cause, and the Ethernet port was not working consistently. I sent the computer out to have the hard drive/motherboard tested, and although they could replicate the shutdown error, they were not able to determine the root cause. Replacing the motherboard would be the only option for fix the issue, but the repair cost would be about the same amount of \$\$\$ it would cost to replace the computer.
Since we only use these computers for Championship events twice a year, and since all the locations where we hold these meets have their own timing and Meet Manger equipment, the need for 3 computers is a bit outdated.
My recommendation is that we forgo repairing or replacing the computer for now and if, in the future, it becomes apparent we need a third computer, we can purchase a new computer.
2. Colorado Time Systems has provided a free upgrade to one of our CTS6 timing units. Not sure what new options are provide, but will report out any new functionality as soon as I can determine what the upgrade provided.
3. We have purchased 2 new Printers to replace the 2 current printers which are in need of new drums and toner cartridges which together cost as much as a new computer. Also, one of the existing printers has a problem with the pickup mechanism, and the other printer has a corroded USB connections which sometimes causes problem connecting to the computer.
4. Our touch pad cables have been used at the CSAC Aquatic Center while their cables were sent out for repairs and the in-deck system is repaired.

Respectfully Submitted,

Michael

WEB MASTER REPORT

April 2015

1. We continue to maintain the current state of the VSI website. With the amount of time we are spending on maintaining and posting incoming requests continues as championship season is in full swing, and new course records and upcoming events continue to come in at an increased rate.
2. We would like to review with the VSI website Representative the expected SLA (service level agreement) for uploading information provided by VSI board member and in what format that information should be provided.
3. Reported issues with emails messages not being delivered or receiving error messages when forwarding emails has decreased significantly. Moving the business office and registration chair from forwarding to IMAP/SMTP protocol "seems" to have eliminated the problem for that email account. I will continue to pursue the problem if we continue to receive error messages, and I suggest if your VSI account is heavily used with multiple recipients on a single email, that we move your account to an IMAP/SMTP account.
4. Continued support and input from board members and officials is always welcome and help us identify broken links and incorrect information.

Respectfully Submitted,

Michael and Jill

VSI Disability Swimmer Committee Report

April 22, 2015

Sean Harrington swam in the Short Course Senior Champs and achieved improved times in the 200 Back, at 2:02:19, Good work, Sean !!

Emilia Scovel began her competitive career in March, 2015, swimming the 8 and under breaststroke, at the George Mason University Natatorium in Fairfax, Virginia, with a personal best time of 37.58.

Emilia will be training at the Cincinnati Para-Swimming Open, at the Univ of Cincinnati, on May 9th –10th.

Joseph Peppersack may have a swimmer serve as Mentor to him. The swimmer is relocating to Virginia, on the Paralympic Team B. Also, Joseph's coach on his local team, Nova South (Formerly VACS), is hoping to have Joseph participate in instructing new, beginner swimmers in the next few months. Also, Joseph is working with the head coach of the Resident Paralympic Team in Colorado Spring, in order to send Joseph out for a week long camp to train along with the Resident Paralympic Team .

Samantha Tubbs swam at the Toronto 2015 Can Am Para Swimming Championships. She made another Emerging Time in the 100 Breast Stroke and she finished very well in most of her other strokes with significant time improvements. She will be going to Colorado Springs Olympic Training Center for one week training at the end of April. Samantha was also selected as VSI Disability Swimmer of The Year.

Pat Donohue, Michael Downs, and Kim Downs will be attending a Swimming Workshop for Officials in Sept, 2015., at Colorado Springs.

Respectfully submitted,

David Strider

Chair – VSI Disability Committee

Coaches Committee Agenda 4/26/15

- 1) Approval of minutes from 10/4/14
- 2) Banquet comments
- 3) Nominations for Coach Rep for September 2015 through September 2017
- 4) Legislation pending: Voting at HOD
- 5) Nominations for Board positions:
- 6) Is our LSC serving our needs? Can we denote our needs/wants?
 - a. Officials area: Does your club have enough officials? Referees? Drydeck? Suggestions?
 - b. Are the meets meeting our needs as an LSC- remember individual club needs can be met in a variety of ways, are the LSC's needs being met?
 - c. Office support any needs?
 - d. Website: is it meeting our needs? Who visits, coach/parent/athlete? Suggestions?
 - e. **Club development:** \$50 K will be voted on for next year's budget, what do we want this money to address? Are there needs? Is this a direction we want to go? If we want it we need to have ideas. If we are against it we need to voice that.
 - f. Other ways to spend this kind of money? LSC clinic/Host regional clinic charge outside LSC coaches to attend? Travel money for coaches to go to clinics, national level meets? (please read Leap Level 3 requirements from USAS here: (some areas to look at are coach/club development) <http://www.usaswimming.org/Rainbow/Documents/33750fc9-2fd4-46d8-8ec6-ee7d2566da87/LEAP%20Hard%20copy%20updated%20December%205%2013.pdf>)
- 7) Actionable items from
 - a. AG
 - b. Sr
 - c. Tech Planning
 - d. Zone Coach
- 8) New Business:
- 9) Old Business:
- 10) Adjournment:

DIVERSITY Committee

Zone meeting in Va Beach .Finalize Camps, what is the next step for Diversity in USA Swimming.

National Committee Meeting in Chicago on May 2&3rd.

Camps two swimmers from Va heading to the National Diversity camp in Colorado Springs.

Two swimmers are heading to the Eastern Zone Camp

We currently have four applications for the Zone Diversity camp at the UMD in June. Dead line May 1st.

We are allowed to take two but may be allowed to take more as the other Zones send in their applicants.

We are looking for any team who wish to host a winning spirit camp to step forward.



March 12, 2015

To: Virginia Swimming Board of Directors
Re: Fine for illegal entry at Region Champs

This is meant to clarify our error in entering Jessica Mazzeo in the 100yd butterfly at Region Champs on February 27, 2015 and to appeal the fine that was levied against us at the meet.

Jessica joined TIDE this competition year. Previously she had swum for TCAC. Before Region Champs she had swum only one day of one meet with us, the SEVA Senior Quad Meet on October 25, 2014. She did not swim the 100yd fly at that meet.

We let our members choose their events for swim meets through the Team Unify online meet entry system. Our coaches then approve the selections before they are sent off to the host team. It was made clear that swimmers could not enter events for which they had a Senior Champs cut.

Jessica was entered with "NT" because we did not have a time for her in the 100yd fly from her time on our team. Researching her past times at USA Swimming meets, I see now that her best time in the 100yd fly was a 1:02.37, swum in 2013. The Senior Champs cut is 1:01.69.

Unbeknownst to us, Jessica swam the 100yd fly in the 2014 VISAA State Championships in a time of 1:01.28. We were unaware that she had swum that time or we would not have allowed her to swim the event at Region Champs.

Jessica obviously forgot or did not realize her high school time from last year was a Senior Champs cut. She swam a 1:03.69 in the event at Region Champs on February 27, 2015.

We just wanted to set the record straight. We certainly would not have entered this athlete in the 100yd fly if we had been aware of the time she swam last year during her high school season. It was an honest mistake. We should have researched her high school observed times from last year. We understand if you choose to let the fine stand. We have sent payment to Mary Turner. However, we would like to lodge a formal appeal. We will, of course, respect and comply with your final decision in this matter.

Thank you for your consideration.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Jennie Carder".

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