

Virginia Swimming Senior Committee Meeting

(via Zoom)

April 23, 2020

1:30-3:30 PM

AGENDA

1. Call to Order
2. Call for any additional agenda items
3. EZ Zoom Meetings
 - Cancelled EZ LC Age Group Champs and LC Senior Age Group Champs
 - EZ LC Qualifying times will be rolled forward for 2021.
 - Qualifying period start will remain January 1, 2019
 - Will treat 2021 as a non-Olympic year for meets.
 - SC 2020-2021 will have a two SC Sectional
 - LC 2021 will have the LC Super Sectional in May (Richmond has bid for the meet)
 - VSI will still host LC Age Group Champs in August

4. VSI Senior Champs Review:

- The following is participation and entries for SC Senior Champs for the last five years:

Year	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Swimmers	536	540	552	589	653
Individual Entries	2364	2448	2315	2689	3125
Relay Entries	259	241	237	252	272

- A review of the number of swimmers and entries for 2020 SC Senior Champs clearly shows increases undoubtedly due to the bonus swims.
 - What this the desired effect?
 - Do we continue with dual courses for all events for Friday, Saturday, and Sunday for SC Senior Champs?
 - Will we continue the bonus options with the dual courses moving forward?
 - We should continue this setup for one additional year before making any changes to the entry requirements
 - We will review entry times and results and publish a report for committee review prior to the next committee meeting.
 - The only recommended change for the LC Senior Champs is changing the 15-16 Finals Heat to 16&U Finals heat.
 - Set up a normal meet entry deadline for senior champs and follow-up with a late entry deadline for new qualifying swims.
 - Explore for the future a rotation of senior champ's order of events.
 - Should we explore the possibility of moving senior champs to December?
5. VSI Senior Circuit
 - Create a senior circuit with meets in October, November, and January using the events offered at the VSI Senior Champs meets and rotating the 1000 Free and 1650 Free instead of offering both at each meet.

- The following is a sample of a rotating order of events for each senior circuit meet:

Sessions	October (Meet #1) Events	November (Meet #2) Events	January (Meet #3) Events
Sat AM	200 Free Relay 200 Fly 100 Free 400 Medley 100 Back 800 Free Relay	200 Free Relay 200 Medley 100 Breast 100 Fly 500 Free 800 Free Relay	200 Free Relay 200 Free 100 Breast 100 Fly 400 Medley 800 Free Relay
Sat PM	200 Medley 200 Breast 100 Fly 200 Free 400 Medley Relay	200 Fly 100 Free 100 Back 400 Medley 400 Medley Relay	200 Fly 50 Free 200 Breast 100 Back 500 Free 400 Medley Relay
Sun AM	1650 Free	1000 Free	1650 Free
Sun PM	200 Medley Relay 50 Free 200 Back 100 Breast 500 Free 400 Free Relay	200 Medley Relay 200 Back 50 Free 200 Breast 200 Free 400 Free Relay	200 Medley Relay 200 Back 100 Free 200 Medley 400 Free Relay

6. Region Champs Format & Championship progression Leading to LSC Champs

- Timelines for the current format has been problematic from the start of the current format
- Does the current format best suit our senior swimmers (13&O)?
- Should we develop a new meet format?
 - Two-step progression with unique qualifying times for each step
 - Shifting the current region 13&O champs to district 13&O champs
 - Other approaches?
 - Do we develop a task force to develop a specific format or formats for consideration?

7. LC Season Planning (4-weeks, 6-weeks, 8-weeks, 12-weeks). Normal LC season first week of April to first week of August is 13 weeks long.

- Starting May 4th to end of August is 17 weeks
 - LC Competition
 - Complete the normal championship meet progression (Summer Awards, Senior Champs, Age Group Champs)
- Starting June 1st to end of August is 13 weeks
 - LC Competition
 - Complete the normal championship meet progression (Summer Awards, Senior Champs, Age Group Champs)
- Starting June 29th to end of August is 8 weeks
 - LC or SC Competition
 - Finish swimming in August focus on getting ready for the coming 2020-2021 SC season
 - Extend LC season to the end of December with a championship progression starting late November finishing in December (similar to the July-August finish to LC)
- Do we swim through the end of August? Or September (extends season by 5 weeks)?

8. Questions & Answers not covered in our discussions