

Rules/Legislation Coordinator Report

August 24, 2016

- Proposed changes to the VSI Bylaws and the VSI Policies and Procedures

- VSI BOD structure change

- Elements of this proposal involve changes to both the VSI Bylaws (highlighted in yellow) and the VSI Policies and Procedures

Creation of new divisions and restructuring the BOD

- BL 606.7.7 and 606.7.8 create the positions of Safety Vice Chair (who will serve as the Safety Committee Chair) and Finance Vice Chair (who will serve as the Finance Committee Chair)
- BL 605.1.12 and 605.1.16 add the Finance Vice Chair and Safety Vice Chair as members of the BOD
- BL 605.7.2 adds the Safety Vice Chair and Finance Vice as members of the Executive Committee and removes the Treasurer as a member of the Executive Committee
- BL 606.1.8, 606.1.9 and 606.2 provide for the election of a Safety Vice Chair and Finance Vice Chair
- BL 607.1.1 removes the Finance Chair and Committee, Insurance, Safe Sport Committee, Safety Committee, and Treasure from the Administrative Division
- BL 607.1.3 Removes the Open Water Coordinator from the Senior Division
- BL 607.1.6 creates a Safety Division and adds the Safe Sport Committee, Safety Committee, and Copen Water Coordinator to the division
- BL 607.1.7 creates a Finance Division and adds the Finance Chair and Committee, Insurance, and Treasurer to the division

Creation of an Executive Director and Administrative Assistant position

- BL 605.3.4 substitutes the Executive Director for the Membership/Registration Coordinator as an ex-officio member of the BOD
- POL C.1 replaces an Administrator with an Executive Director and Administrative Assistant

- Election procedure change

- BL 606.2 creates a run-off election procedure to be used if no candidate receives a majority of the vote (highlighted in green)

- Replacement of officers (other than General chair, Athlete Representative, or Coach Representative when they cannot fulfill their term of office)

- BL 606.9.3 allows the General Chair to appoint a successor for the remainder of the term (highlighted in blue)

- Sanction and Approval Process change

- POL L.2 allows VSI to reserve two weekends per year for leadership and educational events

- This policy change was provisionally passed by the BOD at its 4/10/2016 meeting
- Eastern Zone Competition change
 - POL S.5.c(3), S.5.d(6), and S.5.f change allows for the use of lead-off splits, intermediate splits, and time trials
 - This policy change was provisionally passed by the BOD at its 4/10/2016 meeting
- Coach Travel Reimbursement
 - POL W creates a policy for the reimbursement of travel expenses incurred by a coach attending selected national meets
- The USA Swimming Rules & Regulations Committee has published the proposed amendments to the 2016 Rules and Regulations (see attached)

Respectfully submitted,

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