

Minutes of the VSI Board of Directors Meeting
April 29, 2012

The meeting was called to order at 11:37 a.m.

Present were Bill Geiszler, Maureen Tolliver, Peter Maloney, Amelia DeCruz, Steve Hennessey, T.J. Liston, Pat Donohue, Michael Downs, Mary Turner, David Strider, Terry Randolph, and Jessica Simons, Michael Braum, Travis Kerner, Elizabeth Maltby, and Steve Phillips.

Bill Geiszler mover to accept the minutes of the April 15, 2012 meeting seconded by Peter Maloney and passed.

Eastern Zone Report – Maureen reported on the meet. She outlined the travel and sign up challenges encountered by VSI. Does VSI want to continue to support the Winter Zone meet?

Age Group Report – LC Age Group Champs qualifying time standards have been established. The concept of doing away with district awards meets and replacing them with a 12 and under Regional Champs meet to be held in each district on the weekend of districts and a 13 and over Regional Champs meet in each region on the weekend of regionals was endorsed. Adding the 11-12 400 IM to the Short Course Age Group Champs meet in 2013 was approved and may be offered as an open event. It was suggested that instead of attending winter zones in Webster, New York, VSI establish a 14 and under sectional meet and invite other LSC's to participate. This contingent upon the meet being awarded there and will require future discussions and investigation.

Senior Report- See report on the web site. The Senior Committee voted to back the Age Group committee's recommendation to not attend the winter zone meet if awarded again to Webster, New York.

Tech Planning Report – See report on the web site.

Coaches – See report on the web site. No election took place at SC Age Group Champs 2012. T.J presented as a motion that this be done electronically and a deadline for nominations be set for May15 and voting to be completed by May 30, 2012. Steve Hennessey seconded the motion and it carried.

Athlete Report – Travis reported that they like the 2012 SC Senior Champs venue. At Sectionals there was no time for warm up and warm down. They are looking for ways to get more athletes to participate in zones. They are very interested in an East/West VA All Star meet.

Registration Report – See report on web site.

At this time, David Strider was presented with a gift from the Board and recognized for having earned a Doctorate of Nursing Practices from the University of Virginia. He will be awarded the Doctorate on May 19, 2012.

Diversity Report – Peter announced that the Diversity Committee’s name has changed to Diversity/Inclusion Committee. An athlete from VSI will be attending the National Diversity Camp as will a coach. He is working with J.J Bean to hold a camp in Charlottesville within the next 5 months.

Steve Hennessey moved to adjourn the meeting at 1:10 to be reconvened after the House of Delegate meeting. This was seconded and passed.

The meeting was reconvened at 3:07.

Present were Terry Randolph, Steve Hennessey, Mary Turner, Bill Geiszler, Maureen Tolliver, Michael Downs, Steve Phillips, Pat Donohue, Michael Braum, Amelia DeCruz, T.J Liston, David Strider, and Jessica Simons.

The first topic of discussion concerned the proposal for no shows at the VSI Senior Championship meets. Pat Donohue moved that “On the last day of a VSI Senior champs meet, a \$50 fine will be assessed to any swimmer in one of the final heats(s) who does not scratch out of finals and does not show up to compete. If the swimmer is representing a club in competition, the fine will be levied on the club. If the swimmer is unattached, the fine will be levied on the swimmer. Checks will be made payable to Virginia Swimming Inc.”. Steve Hennessey seconded and the motion passed. T.J moved that the penalty be included for all VSI Championship meets. This was also seconded by Steve Hennessey and passed. Steve then moved that a \$100 fine be levied for a positive check in distance event no show swimmer. T.J seconded. A friendly amendment was proposed by Terry Randolph to now apply this to VSI Championship meets. Michael Downs offered a friendly amendment to reduce the fine to \$50. T.J called the question. The friendly amendments were accepted and the motion passed.

Banquet Date – Mary moved to send out a survey to all head coaches and points of contact requesting a preferred season for the VSI annual banquet. Steve Hennessey seconded. TJ called the question and the motion passed. The 2012 banquet will be held in the fall.

Posting meet results on the web site – Steve Hennessey moved that VSI allow the posting of printed meet results and team manager result files to the LSC web site. T.J seconded. The vote was 8 for and 1 against. The motion passed.

New Business -

1. Michael Braum will come back with a proposal for storage at sites other than the CSAC,
2. Bill Geiszler moved to purchase a \$500 gift certificate for the Zone Team manager. T.J seconded and the motion passed.

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3. Steve Hennessey moved that VSI revert to the original procedure for distributing meet announcements. This was seconded by T.J and passed.
4. Discussion ensued concerning travel to the LC Zones meet in Richmond. The question was should this be a team travel meet. Steve Hennessey moved that the meet remain a team travel meet, seconded by Pat Donohue and the motion passed.

As there was no new other new business, Steve Hennessey moved, seconded by Steven Phillips that the meeting was adjourned. The motion passed and the meeting was adjourned at 4:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jessica Simons/Secretary

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