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### Minutes of the August 12, 2006 VSI Board Meeting

The meeting was called to order at 10:10 a.m.

Present were George Homewood, Dianne Limerick, Louise Limerick, Jessica Simons, Walter Smith, Michael Downs, Terry Randolph, Paige Endsley, Bill Geiszler, Mary Turner, Pete Maloney Bob Rustin, Steve Henessey, David Strider, and Scott Bowser.

Minutes of the 29-30 April 2006 BOD meeting stood approved.

LC Championship Senior Meet – Peter reported that Senior Champs went well. There were no major problems. He has yet to receive the time trial money. All other monies have been collected. Steve, Mary, Walter, and Terry will work together to come up with a written proposal to make a policy amendment concerning late entry fees.

Concessions for the athletes at LC JO's were a problem as there was none.

The Championship meet committee needs to look at the format of the Summer Awards meets.

103 swimmers attended the 2006 LC Eastern Zone meet VSI is now in 3<sup>rd</sup> place. VSI couldn't field 2 ten and under girls relays; this was true for the 15-18 girls as well.

TPHN appeal of fines – Louise Limerick moved to deny the appeal. This was passed unanimously. There were no other appeals pending.

Athlete Composition on the BOD and at the HOD – The intent of the 3 club votes at the HOD is one athlete, one coach, and one volunteer. Getting more athletes involved needs to be a grass roots effort and an educational effort at that level as well. Bill Geiszler moved that each club be required to designate an athlete rep for each club. This was seconded by Pete Maloney. This motion was tabled until after the convention.

Athlete travel reimbursement – 14 legitimate VA swimmers swam LC Senior Champs and went to Nationals. 1 swimmer will get 50%. 1 swimmer is not eligible because he/she did not swim at LC Senior Champs. There are 7 college swimmers who were not previously registered with VSI who are also eligible for reimbursement. One of this also did not swim at LC Senior Champs. 13.5 swimmers do meet the required criteria and should be paid at the \$450 level. Mary moved that swimmers not previously registered with VSI who represented VSI at Summer Nationals be reimbursed at \$225 provided adequate proof of costs and no other funding is presented. Terry seconded. Bill Geiszler made a

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presented a friendly amendment. In light of the LC travel expenses exceeding the amount budgeted he will move the appropriate funds from the reserve to pave the overage. This motion was seconded and passed. Louise moved that Peter Verhoef be paid at the 50% level. This was seconded by Terry and the motion passed. For LC Juniors one swimmer will be funded at 50%. Mary made this motion and it was seconded and passed. Two others swam at both Nationals and Juniors. They will be paid at the higher level only. Mary so moved, seconded by Steve, and passed. All others will be paid at the approved level moved by Steve, seconded by David, and passed.

Use of Intermediate Splits for Zone Qualifying times – Discussion ensued concerning how referees are to respond to requests for intermediate splits for initial distances at Championship level meets. Electronic timing needs to be in place. Watches would be used to verify the electronic timing only – not to be construed as back up times. There will be no change in the current Zone policy.

By Laws – Louise reported on unrestricted term limits. Technical Planning, Registration, and Treasurer should all be included. Diversity needs to be added as does Club Development and Camp Coordinator. OVC has been changed to NTV. Louise moved, Walter seconded and these will be added to the By-Laws. It was proposed to change the term for the coaches and athletes reps to June 1 – August 31. USA swimming had no opinion. Our coaches now serve from March thru February. George suggested that there should be 2 coaches reps with their terms staggered.

This would require a by-law change. Peter moved and it was seconded. The term would be 1 September – 31 August.

2006 – 2007 Schedule - Steve presented the schedule. There are bids for both the SC and LC season. There is still a need for a November 13&O meet in the central district. There is a December B/C meet and a January 13&O meet needed for the north district. No teams have expressed an interest in the January 13&O meet. A new team is forming in LY called Liberty University. There will be a new meet bid form on the web site by September 1 which will ease the submission of appropriate information and will be defaulted to require such things as meet director, meet referee and venue. Please see the Technical planning report on the web site for further details.

Corporate Credit Card – There are cards out there that will earn rewards for VSI. There would be no annual fee. Bob Rustin will investigate a Capital One offer.

CTS 6 – The order for new equipment will not be executed on 1 September 2006.

Convention- Lawson Wallace is not going. There will be a LSC dinner on Tuesday night.

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Swimposium and Banquet – Our speaker may not be available. Brendan Hansen is coming for the clinic and may be asked to be the speaker at the banquet.

October HOD – The BOD will meet on 30 September 2006 at the Holiday Inn. This will start at 6:00 p.m.

Task Force Implementation – Mary will email out the current copy and if there are any suggestions they will be sent to all.

Specialized License plates - There needs to be a request submitted to the DMV and then within 30 days 350 requests must be made from the public.

The graphics would be done at headquarters in Colorado. Ken Knight will be asked if he wants to undertake this project.

VHSL Relationship – George is now the swimming and diving rules interpreter for the VHSL. Cross certifying USA officials is under discussion. They would not have to attend a clinic. The VHSL has required that all HS teams use Meet Manager and Team Manager Software this year. VHSL would like our help for administrative tasks. Terry would like all coaches who have HS swimmers to submit their preferred name and the HS that they attend. HS states and 1 other Championship level meet will be observed. Mary suggested that a form be generated for the HS to use.

Officials Report – David reported for Kevin that a booklet will be available for the officials' clinics in September. N2 recertification meets will be Senior Champs short and long course. It was decided to reimburse VSI officials who travel to National meets at a stipend not to exceed that for the athlete.

Other Business – Louise and Dianne will attend a clinic for Permanent Offices that will be shortly after Convention.

### Committee Reports

Treasurer – less than 1% of the 2005 swimmers did not reregister for 2006. Revenues are good. Checks for the new money market account are now available. Money market funds now pay 4.5-5%.

Senior – Pete needs new members on his committee and the request will be posted to the web site.

Technical Planning - See report on web site. TIDE did an exemplary job at LC Age Group Champs. New templates for the 12&U and 13&O meets will be out by 20 August.

Athlete – Paige had to leave before she had the opportunity to present her report.

Championship Committee – It was suggested that an 18 and under C final be added at LC Senior Champs.

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Club Development – No report.

Disability – No report.

Diversity – There have been many articles in Splash and Swimming World.

Camps are up and running. Next year USA swimming will probably only look at LC times.

Safety – Please see report on the web. David believes there has been a bit of underreporting.

Equipment – No report.

Top 16 – No report.

Records – 5 new LC state records were set this summer so far.

Policy/Legislation – No report.

Web Master – the web site is well received. There is a new 2 year contract in the works. The ASCA Coaches Association is holding a clinic and has asked if a flyer could be posted on our web site.

New Business – LC Senior Champs 2007 has no venue. George requested that VSI uses his General Chair email address. Scott Bowser requested that VSI use his new email address [steeltown2915@yahoo.com](mailto:steeltown2915@yahoo.com).

The meeting was adjourned at 4:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Jessica Simons, Secretary