

Minutes of the VSI House of Delegate Meeting  
April 29, 2012

The meeting was called to order at 1:22 p.m.

Learn to Swim - Gordon Hair thanked VSI for helping to sponsor the event held this past weekend in Charlottesville. Sabir Mohammad was the featured speaker. He also reported on the Ben Hair Just Swim for Life programs and Make a Splash.

There were no changes or additions to the minutes of the October 2011 HOD meeting. Bill Geiszler moved to approve the minutes, seconded by T.J Liston and passed.

Treasurer - see report on the web site. VSI is spending more on outreach reimbursements than was budgeted. Other than that, revenue and expenses are tracking as expected. It is envisioned that VSI will have about a \$12,000 deficit this year.

Budget - see report on the web site. The model is based on 6400 athletes this coming year. The report served as a motion, seconded by Jessica Simons and approved. Bill Geiszler thanked Ted Sallade and Dave Henderson for putting together the athlete reimbursement policy several years ago.

Short Course Season Highlights - see report on the web site. The committee voted to include the 11-12 400 IM in the event listing for SC Age Group Champs. They endorsed the creation of a 12 and under and a 13 and over Regional Championship meet in lieu of the current District and Regional format.

Senior - see report on the web site.

Eastern Zone - Maureen Tolliver reported that 74 athletes attend winter zones. VSI finished 5<sup>th</sup>. She thanked all the coaches who attended the meet. VSI may not continue to attend winter zones if the meet continues to be awarded to Webster NY.

2012-2013 meet schedule - Steve Hennessey presented the proposed 2012-2013 template. See the report on the web site. There were multiple bids for the both Championship meets and further information is needed before an award can be

granted. Tech planning endorsed the addition of the 400 IM to the 11-12 age group event list at Age Group champs. They also endorsed the 12 and under and 13 and over regional format concept. The meet bid process has changed. Summer Award team assignments will be posted by May 15. The report served as a motion, seconded by T.J Liston and passed.

#### Items from the General Chair

1. The guidelines for photography at meets was presented..
2. George Homewood, Doug Finder, and Steve Hennessey are working on the VSI Hall of Fame.

#### Committee reports

1. Club Development - no report
2. Equipment - Michael Braum reported on VSI's desire to get out of the equipment business. His report is posted on the web site. He would like to consolidate all the equipment by mid June to determine what works and what doesn't. He would like to begin an online auction by August 1, 2012
3. Administration - Terry reported that she is working on the numbers for the conceptual 12 and under and 13 and over regional meets.
4. Athletes - David Strider covered Travis's info. 15 athletes attended the athletes meeting. The athletes are very interested in an East/West competition in conjunction with a spring banquet.
5. Coaches - see report on the web site. They are interested in s spring banquet date.
6. Officials - see report on the web site. We have 400 certified officials (pretty steady over the last few years). We had 7 officials selected to work Winter Nationals in Atlanta and 5 officials invited to work the Duel in the Pool in Atlanta. We also had 5 officials selected to work in assigned positions at the EZ R2 SCS meet in Fairfax. Michael will take the concerns expressed at the coaches meeting back to his committee for review and determination of recommended actions.
7. Webmaster - The website continues to average about 1200+ visits per day; 3500-4000+ per day during the LSC championship meets.
8. Open Water - The Ben Hair Memorial Open Water swim meet will be held at Lake Anna on May 19, 2012. Officials may sign up to work using [signupgenius, com](http://signupgenius.com).

National Times Workshop - Those who attended, Terry Randolph, Mary Turner, Jessica Simons, Steve Hennessey, Pat Donohue, and Michael Downs thanked VSI for sending them.

LC zones - David Strider and Jessica Simons are the co meet directors. Bob Rustin will be the meet referee.

Entry fees for outreach athletes - Lisa Liston moved to accept the new policy. See policy on the web site. T.J Liston seconded and the motion passed.

Bill Geiszler move to adjourn the meeting at 3:00, seconded by Terry Randolph and passed.

Respectfully submitted,

Jessica Simons