

Technical Planning Committee

1. The 2007-2008 calendar has been updated. We have added a LC meet in June (WST) and moved the RAYS May LC meet to the first weekend in June. The change was due to facility availability. LC Age Group Champs will be hosted by CGBD at MAC.
2. Team assignments for the region champs have been posted to the VSI website. Likewise the templates for the district champs and region champs will be posted to the VSI website and sent to the host teams' point of contact this evening.
3. Team assignments for summer awards have been posted to the VSI website by January 15th. The meet template will not be settled until the qualifying times for LC age group champs and LC senior champs are established.
4. The schedule template for 2008-2009 will be posted to the VSI website by January 15th. The requests for bids will be solicited at that time with a due date of April 1st. This is to facilitate approval and release of the 2008-2009 schedule at the April HOD meeting.
5. At the last board meeting we discussed the ramifications of the recent change to the USA Swimming guidelines regarding entry times.
 - Since the new rule is pretty clear there does not seem to be a need to make a specific statement or change to VSI policies and procedures.
 - However, in order to be clear about the intent of the rule we will modify the standard statement in our meet invitations regarding entries times to read as follows: "Swimmers must meet all eligibility requirements for the meet. Entry times must be no slower than the qualifying times for the meet."
 - This reminds swimmers/coaches/meet entry coordinators that the eligibility requirements as described in the meet invitation still apply.
 - It also requires swimmers entering in a meet with minimum qualifying standards to enter with a time no slower than that qualifying standard.
 - This is to ease the administrative burden for the host team as entries slower than the qualifying times of the meet would undoubtedly cause many questions.
6. We are still in need of a host and venue for the LC Senior Championships.

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