

**VSI Board Meeting
April 24, 2004**

Board Members in Attendance: Bill Geiszler, James Wolfe, Peter Maloney, Jerry Hayes, Diana Hurst, Kevin Hogan, David Strider, George Massey, Louise Limerick, Mary Turner, Steve Hennessy, John Moore, George Homewood, Jan Phillips

The meeting was called to order by George Homewood at 0920.

Minutes approved as amended.

Business Items:

- 1. Spring Zone Meet:** Kevin Hogan reported finances. Revenue after expenses within budget. No major complaints received by meet director. Need to foster a meet volunteer base. Thank you gifts given to Kevin Hogan and Jerry Hayes. Zone Manager's report deferred in Pam's absence. Motion made to give thank you gifts to zone coaches for Long Course Zones 2003, Short Course Zones 2004, and Long Course Zones 2004; for a total amount \$810 in restaurant certificates. Seconded. Approved. Motion made to give a gift certificate in the amount of \$100 for the zone manager for Long Course 2003, Short Course 2004, and Long Course 2004. Seconded. Approved.
- 2. Spring Senior Championship Meet:** Pete Maloney reported. Finances reported. 480 swimmers competed. Expenses were on target Profit from meet approx. \$5000. This came primarily from an additional 100 swimmers who qualified that were not originally in the projected numbers. Discussion followed regarding profit made and whether or not VSI should role the monies back into Long Course Champs or retain profit as a host team would have retained profit. Motion made to set fees for Long Course Champs based on the third proposal for fee structure submitted by Bill Geiszler, with a \$24 relay fee. Seconded. Approved.
- 3. Reports:**
 - a. Membership/Registration: Louise Limerick reported. Discussion regarding items sent from VSI to all new athletes. Louise will investigate the cost of having USA swimming include our items in the USA packet.
- 4. Marshals:** David Strider reported. Concern is that the marshalling policy is not being enforced uniformly across the State. The referee has the responsibility of enforcing the policy during the meet.

5. **Vision Task Force Report:** Dave Henderson reported. Discussion followed.
6. **Spring Zone Meet Future:**
 - a. Recommend remove 15-18 age group from zones.
7. **VSI Webmaster position:** Draft of job description discussed. This candidate should be someone who understands the sport of swimming. The draft of the job description will be mailed to HoD 30 days prior to the June meeting.
8. **Long Course Champs 2004:** Discussion regarding placement of teams over 2 sites. James requested assistance with meet hosting duties at Freedom Center.
9. **Championship Meet Scratch Policy:** Kevin Hogan reported. No issues at Senior Champs this year. Question regarding penalty for positively checking in for a distance event and then not showing up. Eliminate sentence in meet invitation regarding distance events. Kevin to look into if a policy is needed for a penalty for Sunday night finals no shows.
10. **Reimbursement for Trials and Nationals:** Motion made to disregard policy for participation in Senior Champs for reimbursement for Nationals as long as swimmer represented Virginia Swimming in Olympic Trials. Seconded. Approved.
11. **Items for legislation to USA swimming:** Can the LSC's get a kick back from fee increase? USA swimming needs to rationalize expenditures for increases.
12. **2004-05 Budget:** John Moore reported. Discussion followed regarding adding webmaster position and how to raise revenue for position. Motion made to increase registration fees by \$1.00 per member. Seconded. Approved. The proposed budget will be presented to the HoD.
13. **Awards Banquet:** Scheduled for September. In need of a speaker for the banquet.
14. Policy regarding submission of meet report to treasurer will be read at HoD as a reminder of time limitation for submission.
15. **USA Convention:** Any interest in an at large position for attendance? Arrangements need to be made for travel.
16. **Splash fees for teams swimming outside of their area:** Discussion regarding a team from Tennessee hosting a meet in Abbingdon and

whether or not a splash fee should be assessed. This has not been done in the past. Fee will not be assessed this year, but splash fee policy will be looked at for next year.

Meeting Adjourned 1530.