

**Virginia Swimming, Inc.**  
**Minutes of Executive Board Conference Call**  
**June 23, 2008**

The meeting began at 7:00 pm with Brian Kupferer, Bill Geiszler, David Strider, Steve Hennessey, George Massey and Mary Turner participating.

**Age Group:** Brian reported that things were on track for LC Age Group Champs. The meet invitation is ready to be published with the exception of the splash fees. He anticipates fees will be similar to those charged last year. The medals for the meet as well as those for Summer Awards have been ordered and he will be ordering the plaques in the next few days. He will check to see if the banners for the long course meets were already ordered and order them if necessary. He asked for an additional head coach to be appointed for Long Course Zones which mean the staff would include two head coaches and eight assistants. The request was approved.

**Long Course Zones:** Caycee requested permission to drive her car to Zones (VSI will pay for gas) in order to have transportation between the two venues. It also will allow her to complete check-in procedures at the hotel prior to the swimmers arrival. Her request was approved. Mary reported that James has an individual who has agreed to handle hospitality and has ordered the awards. James anticipates that he will need about 10 volunteers to serve in various capacities including announcing at the meet and will begin lining up people as it gets closer to the date of the meet. He will be talking with Tom Rutter in the near future to determine equipments needs and how it will be transported to the meet.

**Senior:** George had just been to Raleigh today and met with the facility people for LC Sr. Champs. He reported that we will have the 50 m pool as well as five lanes in the short course pool for continuous warm-up/warm-down but the facility will still be open for use by its members. We will need to bring computers for administrative use but the facility has three complete sets of timing equipment. We will be able to use the onsite copier at a cost of 5¢/page and their people will handle parking. In the event of a storm, the facility allows swimming to continue except with the storm is directly overhead and participants do not have to clear the deck if the meet is halted. George will check to see if RSA and New Wave swim teams are willing to provide some workers in exchange for practice time between sessions. There is a small classroom near the pool and he will check to see if it can be used for Zones sign-up.

**PAT-Curl-Burke Merger:** Mary reviewed the information from her report. George indicated that the main reason teams would be interested in changing to PVS is travel distance, a fact over which we have no control. She expressed her concern that PVS teams utilizing VSI facilities could limit the growth of the VSI teams who also use or hope to use those pools. George suggested refusing to sanction meets hosted by some PVS teams at VSI facilities. It was the consensus of all that this was the only recourse that we have but we will have to look at the VSI Policies to determine if any wording changes need to be made. Mary requested permission to pursue authoring a proposed change to the USA-S New Club Policy

that would broaden the definition of "new club." She is working with *Greg York*, PVS General Chair, and *Ed Dellert*, Zone Director. Permission was granted. She will circulate any proposal to Board members for approval prior to sending it to members of the USA-S Board of Directors.

Travel Reimbursement: Bill requested a clarification of who will be eligible for reimbursement for Trials. It was noted that the travel reimbursement policy that was approved at the April HOD meeting was effective immediately and applies for all meets after that date.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:10.

Minutes submitted by *Mary Turner*