

Minutes of the VSI Board of Directors Meeting  
April 27, 2013  
Collegiate School Aquatic Center  
Richmond Virginia

Present were Terry Randolph, Mary Turner, Steven Phillips, T.J. Liston, Michael Braum, Jessica Simons, Jerry Hayes, Bryan Wallin, Bob Rustin, Steve Hennessy, Bill Geiszler, Lee Gibbs, Amelia DeCruz, Pat Donohue, Stephanie Suhling, Peter Maloney, and Gordon Hair.

The meeting was called to order at 3:30 p.m.

Minutes of the March Board of Directors meeting – Terry Randolph moved to dispense with the reading of the March minutes, seconded by Mary Turner. As there were no corrections or changes, T.J. moved to accept the minutes, seconded by Steve Hennessy and passed.

Treasurer – See report on web site. VSI may wind up 70,000 in the black for the year. VSI is in good financial shape.

Budget Report – See the proposed 2013-2014 budget on the web site. Gordon Hair, Bob Rustin, Bill Geiszler and Ted Sallade comprised the budget committee. The proposed budget was based on 6500 athletes, 900 non athletes and 50 clubs. The proposed budget includes a \$50 increase in both athletes and officials travel reimbursement, increases for registrar/business office and the webmaster (per contract for the webmaster). A \$5000 safe sport incentive is also included. Any club with 33% parent participation with the on line safe sport training course will receive \$100. If there is 50% participation, an additional \$50 will be given to the club. Both athletes and parents who take the course can be tracked thru Presidium. There is also \$5000 for funding Make a Splash programs. Bill Geiszler moved that the BOD accept the 2013-2014 budget as proposed. This was seconded by Stephanie Suhling and passed. The proposed increases in meet entry fees for the 2013-14 season was presented. Bill Geiszler moved that these be accepted, seconded by TJ Liston and passed.

Eastern Zone Business –

Sectionals – Mary Turner reported on the meet. Everyone worked very well together. It was a very well attended meet. 1226 athletes attended. Approximately \$56,000 profit was made and this will be split with the host team. VSI will still realize about \$27,000.

Interest in hosting zone or sectional meet in 2014 – The Hokies are interested in hosting the 2014 SC sectional. Mary asked the Board to let the attendees to the Eastern Zone meeting decide to bid if conditions permit. Bill Geiszler so moved, seconded by Peter Maloney and passed. Mary, Kara Morgan McHaney, Steve Hennessy, and David Strider will attend. There was no decision taken at this time on bidding for either SC or LC Zones.

Nominating Committee – The slate of candidates has been posted to the web site. Janet Sheffer will be nominated from the floor for the Board of Review.

Registration – See report on the web site. Mary presented a proposal to accept credit cards for certain payments. Lee Gibbs moved that VSI use PayPal for certain transactions. This was seconded and passed with 1 nay vote. This will be implemented by the beginning of the 2013-2014 season. The spring BOD meeting should be held the Saturday before the House of Delegates and in the fall it needs to be held

the Friday before the Swimposium. Peter Maloney moved that this timeframe be adopted, seconded by Steve Hennessy and passed.

Athletes – no report

LEAP – It is moving along but slowly. SWIMS has been updated to accept any browser. Scholastic Academic All American lists are to be published around the 15-17<sup>th</sup> of May.

#### Committee Reports

Admin – no report

Age Group – There were 7 individual and 2 relay records were broken at Age Group Champs.

Senior – Pat reported on the contracts that had been signed for senior meets.

Technical Planning – see report on the web site. This report reflects all bids received as of 1 p.m. on April 27, 2013.

Coaches – no report

Championship meets – no report

Officials – Bryan will attend the National Officials Chair meeting in Orlando on May 11-12, 2013.

More referees are needed in the Northern region. Each meet will have to have an Administrative Official as of 9/1/13.

Club Development – Steven Phillips discussed the Swimposium and involving more coaches. He is still looking for more ideas and is working with Peter Clark. The athlete speaker for the banquet is still TBA.

Disability – A Paralympic meet will be held at GRAP on 02/14/14.

Diversity/Camps – May 15 is International Water Safety Day. A National Diversity Camp is being held in Colorado Springs on May 2-5 and Peter Maloney has been asked to coach. An Eastern Zone Diversity summit will be held at MIT on June 20-23 and VSI will pay travel costs for 2 athletes 13-16, the diversity chair and a coach.

Safety – A task force has been formed headed by Steve Woolfolk and Gordon Hair. The focus will be on air and water quality. Bill Beecher, Adam Kennedy, and a UVA physician have expressed interest in joining the focus group. Steve Hennessy would like to advise. Ideas for discussion will be proposed by August.

Open Water – Open Water National Nationals will be held in California on May 17-19. There are several meets on the books. The course for the LC Zone meet has yet to be established...

Stephanie would like the Open Water LC Zone meet to be moved off the LC Zone weekend and requested that the Zone meeting attendees to ask that questions. It may be too hot to actually hold the meet.

Equipment - There has been a task force created for the disposition of the championship meet equipment. Bob Rustin will chair this taskforce and proposals are due by May 8.

Top 16- no report

Records – no report

Policy/Legislation – no report.

Championship meets- A Championship meet contract review taskforce has been created. The chair is Bill Geiszler and proposals are due by May 8.

Safe Sport – Jerry Hayes reported that the focus is education and not enforcement. There are only about 13 clubs that have not appointed a Safe Sport coordinator. These clubs have not responded to emails, letters, or phone calls. He has 13 members on his committee.

Webmaster – no report.

Unfinished Business –

VSI BOD Insurance Coverage – Steve Hennessy will look into what VSI needs. Risk management will be contacted.

New Business – Jessica Simons cannot do the LC Zone meet entries at LC Age Group champs. Steve Hennessy has volunteered to do that.

Future Board meetings will be held on June 13, 2013 at 7 p.m. (teleconference) and August 25, 2013 at 2 p.m. at the Koger Center.

Steve Hennessy moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Peter Maloney and the meeting was adjourned at 6; 24 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jessica Simons- Secretary

Minutes of the VSI Board of Directors Meeting  
April 28, 2013  
Koger Center  
Richmond Virginia

Present were T.J. Liston, Jessica Simons, Pat Donohue, Steve Hennessy, Mary Turner, Terry Randolph, Peter Maloney, Steven Phillips, Amelia DaCruz, Bryan Wallin, Gordon Hair, Bob Rustin, George Homewood, Bill Geiszler, Mike Julian, and David Strider.

The meeting was called to order at 12:10 p.m.

Treasurer – no report

Sectionals – VSI is open to bidding for Sc Sectionals 2014.

Nominating – no report

Registration – no report

Athlete – no report

Admin – no report

Age Group – In the Age group Committee there was discussion on reformatting the district regional championship meets. A subcommittee will be formed by 5/15/13 and a proposal is due by 7/15/13. The committee endorsed new positive seeding wording for the Thursday evening distance event and no participation in SC Zones 2014. There is now an opportunity to support an alternate meet. The 11-12 400 IM both SC and LC will swim the top heat at night as a timed final. The 11-12 200 back, breast and fly will remain as trials and finals.

Technical Planning – There are multiple bids for SC Senior Champs and LC Summer Awards. A task force was created, headed by Kevin McHaney, to investigate the possibility of leveling the entry fee costs for Championship meets. The committee suggested that VSI look at future meeting dates for fall meetings, perhaps to be held one week after convention, as there are teams that would like to host meets in late September.

Officials – Bryan presented a recap of the past season. He explained the necessity of the Administrative Official at each meet. He is working on the speaker for the Swimposium. 4 officials will be invited to train for referee. A referee course for recertification will be part of the fall leadership weekend.

Senior – Pat reported on SC Senior Champs and how the time standards met the goals set by the committee. There will be no awards presented at any Senior Champs meet starting at LC Senior Champs in 2013. The ready room and athlete's parade will be done away with as well.

Coaches – The committee endorsed the recommendations/suggestions of both the Age Group and Senior Committees. They would like to see chase starts at LC Age Group champs.

Athletes – Elizabeth Maltby reported for the athletes. They do not want awards or the ready room. They would like resident and nonresident open records.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:02 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jessica Simons-Secretary