

Technical Planning Committee

1. 2009-2010 Schedule has been posted to the VSI website.
2. All District and Region Champs have a host team and venue. SC Senior Champs and SC Age Group Champs have host teams and venues.
3. We are looking for another host for Regional Summer Awards.
 - BMAC has denied SEVA request for Summer Awards due to pending AAU National Junior Olympics being hosted the first week of August
 - BMAC Aquatics Manager and Newport News Parks, Recreation, and Tourism Superintendent has been contacted about reconsidering given the impact to the Virginia Swimming LC season
4. We are still looking for a host team and venue for LC Senior Champs
5. Team assignments for region champs have been established (attached).
6. Templates for district, region, age group, and senior champs will be ready by November 1st.
7. Coordination of meets through the early part of the 2009-2010 season have generated discussions on seeding practices, converted times, and amended meet announcements
 - Seeding practices, converted times, and coach's times:
 - Concerns have been expressed by the use of unofficial times, especially in the early portion of the season. "Coach's Time" (CT) is provided for by VSI policy but are not provided for in the USA Swimming Rules and Regulations
 - CT is used for swimmers' without times or swimmers only having times in a non-conforming course of competition.
 - Recommend we form a task force to investigate seeding practices of other LSCs, the use of converted times, and coach's times.
 - Amended Meet Announcements:
 - Concerns have been voice about the frequency of meet announcement changes, corrections, and amendments.
 - The greatest concerns seem to be for amendments that change the meet (events, order of events, start time, conditions of the meet, etc.)
 - Administrative corrections and changes are not an issue

- Changes to meet are limited by USA Swimming Rules and Regulations Article 102.8.3 once the meet entry deadline has passed without a vote of all participating teams.
- The majority of the amendments relate to management steps taken to ensure the meet does not exceed the 4-hour session timeline requirements. These changes are reactionary and not pro-active.
- Recommend we form a task force to explore the best practices of other LSCs to develop an approach that establishes meet management parameters that will effectively deal with meeting the timeline requirements.

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