

Old Dominion Swim League Meeting

January 23, 2025

Minutes

Attendance: Belmont, Brambleton, Broadlands, Dulles Farms, Evergreen Meadows, Exeter, Franklin Park, Greenway Farms, Hartland, Ida Lee, Kincaid Forest, Kirkpatrick Farms, Lansdowne, Lenah Run, Lovettsville, LVE Torpedoes, LV Viperfish, Potomac Station, Red Rocks, Rivercrest, Stoneleigh, Stone Ridge, Stratford, Tavistock, Willowsford North, Willowsford South, Woodlea

Old Business

- Officials Survey Results

- 126 responses
- 89% are highly satisfied with the training they received
- Opportunities to Improve: Earlier communication, more shadowing experiences, more DQ examples, updated videos, weekly newsletters
- Additional feedback: Remind parents to relax and have fun, improved communications from team reps to solicit officials earlier

- Communication

- All positions should be registered on the ODSL Swimtopia website so we can communicate most effectively and get information out in an appropriate time

- Ribbon Committee

- Thank you to our committee! Joe Fassacesia, Courtney Williams, Eric Byer, Brittany Zinck, Jen Dickerson
- **Action Items for Committee:** Ribbon Distribution, Label best practices, Host v. Visiting Team, Medals, etc.

New Business

-Plan on a Page

- Scheduling Survey- Due 2/28
- Invoices due April 5th and June 21st
- Team Rep and Computer Operator IN PERSON MEETING- May (TBD)

- Proposed Calendar

- Schedule begins with Time trials on 6/7, League Bye on 7/5, Divisionals on 7/19, All Stars on 7/26
- Schedule allows for each team to have 8 meets. This includes 5 Divisional meets and 3 non-divisional meets. Non Divisional meets will allow for team rivalries

- Proposed Divisions (preference to team size)

- 31 Teams
- Discussion about Division size- Polls from last meeting indicated that teams preferred divisions to be broken up by team size. This leaves Division 6 as a very large division and hard to find a host. Discussion about splitting up Division 6 for the divisional meet so that 2 meets could be run. Another concern about large team vs. large team not finishing meets in time was addressed. Reminders were given that teams can alter order of events in order as long as both teams agree. Divisions should work together and be in communication.

- Preliminary All Star Host- Dulles Farms (pending HOA approval)

- Proposed Rule Changes

- 3.1

Proposed Rule Change

Current

3.1 All swimming pools used for conducting meets by swim teams in the League shall be measured for water depth at both ends of the pool, for use in compliance with section 3.6 below, by an Officer of the Board and a representative of the respective team's pool that is being measured. The measurements shall be documented by the date and the names of those individuals who measured the pool; and set forth in Appendix 6. This Appendix shall be updated with each new pool that is used for conducting meets by swim teams in the League prior to its use for a League sanctioned/scheduled meet.

~~3.1.1 The water depth shall be continuously measured for a distance from the end wall to a minimum of five (5) meters from the end wall and the minimum water depth observed shall be documented for each end of the pool.~~

3.1.2 Team representatives whose pool is a SCY pool will inform the visiting team before the meet.

Proposed

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- 3.3, 3.5

Proposed Bylaws Change

3.3 Annual and Regular Meetings. The annual meeting of the members shall be held on the 3rd Thursday of October each year for the election of directors and for the transaction of such other business as may be properly brought before such meeting. Regular meetings of the members shall be held on the 3rd Thursday in January, March, and the first Thursday of June.

The ODSL Board shall meet as needed to prepare for league meetings, events or discuss pertinent information.

~~Any additions or changes shall be sent to the membership 30 days ahead of the change in advance of. The ODSL Board shall meet on the first Thursday of each month and post minutes to the ODSL website.~~

3.5 Notice of Meetings. Electronic notice of annual and special meetings shall be provided by a board designee by the Vice President/Secretary to the members not less than thirty (30) ~~not more than ninety (90)~~ days before the date of the meeting.

- Passes with 97% yes (30 yes, 1 no)
- Proposed Bylaw Changes
 - 4.5, 4.6

Proposed Bylaws Change

4.5 Election of Directors. Directors shall be elected by the voting members of the corporation during the annual meeting. If any Board positions remain unfilled at the annual members meeting in October, those positions may be filled during the January meeting, provided a quorum is present

4.6 Terms of Office. All directors shall retain their respective offices as directors until their successors shall be duly elected and qualified.

Occasionally, shadow positions may be permitted, such as for the roles of computer operator and head officials, to ensure continuity. These shadow positions are intended for learning purposes and will not have an official vote on board matters.

- Passes with 98% yes (30 yes, 0 no)
- Membership Voting
 - Jackie- Treasurer
 - Yes 100% (31 yes, 0 no)

Summary of Actions for March Meeting

- Transfer League Bank Account to bank with Electronic Options
- Determine Divisional Hosts for each Division

- Confirm All- Star Host- Dulles Farms?
- Schedule all training sessions
- Ribbon Committee Report/Recommendations