

**House of Delegates Meeting**  
**May 2008**  
**Age Group Chairman's Report**  
Submitted by: Bill Marlin, PVS Age Group Chairman

Activity since May 2007:

June 2007:

- Attended June BOD meeting.

July 2007:

- Attended the July BOD meeting and announced to BOD 3 options for the 2008 LC Zones meet since GMU pulled out of their agreed upon date to host this meet.

August 2007:

- Attended the 2007 LC Zone meet and Open Water competition to learn how it is set up and conducted.

September 2007:

- Attended the Sept. BOD meeting and provided the Board an update on the planning for the 2008 EZ Long Course meet
- Presented the budget for the 2008 LC Zones meet
- Attended the 2007 USAS convention
- Ran the September Competition Committee Meeting

October 2007: Attended Oct. BOD meeting. Reported to the BOD on the following items from the Fall Competition Committee Meeting:

- selection of the 2006-07 Distance Award Winners
- selection of the 2006-07 Outstanding Swimmer with a Disability Award
- selection of the recipients of the 2006-07 PVS Outstanding Athlete awards
- Election of 2008 Eastern Zone Short Course Head Coach Assistant Head Coach.
- Criteria for receiving PVS Travel Assistance for 2008 Olympic Trials and 2008 US Paralympic Trials:
- Scheduling of 2008-09 PVS Sponsored Short Course meets
- Approved sanctions for club sponsored meets for the following meets
- Explained to the BOD the new USA-S rules for entering meets... *that athletes would no longer be required by USA-S rules to enter meets with their best times, rather the decision now rested with the LSC when preparing its meet announcements.*
- Reported to the BOD the Athlete Selection Requirements for PVS 2008 SC Zone Team
- Requested the purchase of two 4 line scoreboards for PVS to use at JO's and 2008 LC Zones

November 2007:

December 2007:

Attended the Dec. BOD meeting and informed the Board that an invitation to schedule a meeting had been issued to VSI to finalize each LSC's role for the 2008 EZ LC meet. This would include confirming the sharing of financial responsibility for the meet.

January 2008:

- Ran the 2008 LC Zones planning meeting with members of PVS, VSI and Montgomery County.
- Attended the Jan. BOD meeting and presented notes on the Zones Planning meeting
- Ran the Winter Competition Committee Meeting

February 2008:

- Presented to the Board for its review and approval various items arising from the January
- Election of 2008 Eastern Zone Long Course Head Coach Assistant Head Coach.
- Election of 2008 Eastern Zone Short Course Assistant Coaches
- Developed and released the 2008 14&U LC Championship Time Standards.
- Presented the criteria regarding eligible consideration times for the selection process for the PVS 2008 EZ SC Championships.
- Recommended that the Board approve sanctions for the club sponsored meets
- Informed the Board I was encountering objections from Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority (NVRPA) over the use of Pohick Bay for the Open Water events for the 2008 LC Zones. A meeting was scheduled with NVRPA in the hopes of overcoming their concerns.

March 2008:

- Met with NVRPA and was successful in getting approval for the use of Pohick Bay for the 2008 LC Zones Open water Competition
- Attended April BOD meeting and presented to the BOD an update on the 2008 LC Zones meet and notes from our meeting with NVRPA
- Distributed to the Board handouts I had created comparing three years of historical data on the PVS 14/Under Junior Olympic Championship and explained that I had performed the analysis following comments made by coaches regarding both the size of the meet, as well as the number of entries in certain events. The Comparison by Team handout demonstrated that the 2008 meet was smaller than that held in 2007 and only slightly larger than that held in 2006. I attributed the perception of the increased size to be a result of the fact that Fairland had less warm-up / cool-down space, as well as less deck space, than GMU.
- The second handout, Comparison of Heats/Entries, was color-coded to indicate which events/entries were larger or smaller in 2008 vs. 2007. I explained time standards are adjusted based on the desired size of the meet and that the goals are as follows: 9-10 heats in 50 yard events, 7-8 heats in 100 yard events, 5-6 heats

in 200 yard events and 4-5 heats in 400 plus yard events. Of the 16 time standards that were adjusted for 2008, 13 achieved the desired outcome, while 3 events remained larger than the desired goal.

April 2008:

- Attended April BOD meeting

May 2008:

- Ran the Spring Competition Committee Meeting
- Will be attending Spring HOD meeting