Proposed Bylaw Amendments May 2010 HOD Meeting (changes/additions In Red)

Bylaw Amendment 1. To establish the position of Diversity Representative on the PVS Board of Directors.

Explanation. Similar to the amendment of 2007 that added a representative of the Officials Committee to the Board, with voice and vote, this proposal adds a Board position to promote and represent diversity interests in the LSC.

Article 5.1.

8 Officials Representative .<u>9 Diversity Representative</u> .<u>10</u> The Coach Representatives

.<u>11</u> The Athlete Representative

Bylaw Amendment 2. To change the time of the athlete representatives' elections from the summer season to the spring season.

Explanation. The current bylaws call for the vote during the LCM championship season. This proposal only changes the timing of the voting in order to increase the number of registered year-round athletes likely to vote.

Article 4.3

The election of the Athlete Representative shall be conducted annually during PVS's <u>short course</u> long course swimming championships, or other regularly scheduled meet designated by the Board of Directors.

Bylaw Amendment 3. To create a condition of sanction that PVS sanctioned meets must guarantee the presence of sufficient qualified officials in accordance with Board policy approved 10/11/2006.

Explanation. The USA Swimming HOD more recently (in 2008) approved a measure that allows an LSC to add conditions of sanction. (Article 202.1) In the explanation an example was used of requiring a minimum number of officials in order for a meet to be sanctioned. Prior to that action, at its meeting of 10/11/2006, the PVS Board had approved a policy of officials staffing levels expected at all sanctioned meets. This proposal adds a new mandatory requirement under LSC sanction policy based on that prior Board action and the subsequent USAS HOD action. The wording in black has been added to the policy language.

Effective October 1, 2010, except at Distance meets, PVS sanctioned meets must be conducted with **no less than** 4 certified deck Officials (Referee, Starter, 2 Stroke & Turn Judges), as well as sufficient table workers and the required number of Timers, which depends upon the timing equipment being used. [Administrative provisions including information required with meet applications, waivers and/or exceptions (such as use of Starter trainees) to be developed by the Officials Committee prior to October 2010.]