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## 2011 HOD Report

- Attended USAS Convention, September 2010
- Attended the Sexual Misconduct Leadership Workshop hosted by PVS in September...Most clubs had primary coaches in attendance but several clubs did not have anyone at the meeting.
- Reported meet feedback to the Board of Directors
- Ran the Coach Rep. Elections in March
- Helped with the Athlete Rep. Elections in March
- Received 100% positive feedback regarding the new format of the Jr. / Sr. Champs meet
- Vast majority of Coaches all thought that the time standards for Championship meets were right on the money this year.
- Vast majority of Coaches all thought that the size of each of our Championship meets was also very good this year
- Vast majority of Coaches all thought that the Time Lines of each of our Championship meets was also very good this year
- Kent Williams (RMSC) was selected as the PVS Age Group Coach of the Year. Congrats to Kent!
- A PVS Senior Coach of the Year award will now also be awarded. Criteria are under development.
- Concerns were raised about the selection process of our Athlete of the Year Award. This is being looked into and a proposal will be brought forward to the Competition Committee.
- No award was presented for the Disability Athlete of the Year as none was applied for.
- Coaches were very pleased to have a USA IMX Championship meet here in the LSC. Coaches in attendance said the meet was well attended and well run...very good competition.
- Congrats the Head Coach Steve Menard, Assist. Coach Emily Felker and the rest of the PVS SC Zone Team staff for their 1<sup>st</sup> place finish at Zones. Way to go PVS!
- Head and Assistant Head coaches for the 2011 LC Zone Team were not elected at the January Competition Meeting. Therefore, since no nomination has been submitted as requested, the Competition Committee that sits on the Board of Directors will elect the coaching staff and report to the PVS Board for approval.
- Open Water races are now being held at National Harbor. If interested, coaches should contact Kurt Thiel, the PVS Open Water Chairman for more information.
- The Distance Event Entry criterion that was instituted after the January Distance meet of 2006 is still working well. At that meet there were 15 swims that were over the maximum allowable Time. Since then we average only 1-2 swims per year over the NST time standard. I continue to receive request from coaches for exemptions as allowable by the entry rules and this system seems to work very well.

Sumie continues to send out reminders to clubs / coaches in regard to expired coaching
credentials. Coaches / clubs need to be more aware of when certifications expire and to be
proactive in setting up and or attending certification classes to prevent uncertified coaches from
being on the deck at workouts and at meets. Current PVS / USA coaching cards include
expiration dates right on the front of the card so there should be no excuses that a coach was
unaware that they have a cert. that is expired. Expired Coaching credentials put your entire club
in jeopardy with their USA Insurance coverage.