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### **Black History Swim Meet**

The annual Black History Swim meet was held at the Takoma Community Center Pool on February 13-15, 2009. Numerous PVS and non-PVS officials worked the meet over the three-day period. Based on a motion approved by the PVS BOD at the February 2009 meeting, PVS paid a significant portion of the appearance fee for Cullen Jones be at the meet on Saturday February 14, 2009. In exchange for paying this fee, PVS has been provided with a no charge permit for use of the Takoma Pool for the PVS 2009 Open Swim Meet. Also, based on a motion that was approved at the February 2009 PVS BOD meeting, PVS donated funds to provide hospitality for the meet. The total donation based on receipts was \$1,356.00. PVS rented a full set of equipment to DCPR for use at the meet. The rental charges for this year's meet as well as the outstanding charges for last year's meet have been received and deposited.

Many thanks to Al Betts for serving as the Meet Referee and to Paris Jacobs for helping manage the meet and hospitality.

### **18 & U Champs Meet**

The PVS 18 & Under Championships Swim Meet was held at Lee District on February 20-22, 2009. The number of entries in the meet was 7,327 compared to 1,605 entries in the comparable 2008 meet. The large number of entries necessitated doing positive check-in of all events. The positive check-in resulted in elimination of 640 entries and  
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enabled the meet to be completed each night within the pool rental time line. Based on the number of entries in the meet this year, Fairfax County has been asked to extend the rental time for next year's meet by 2.5 hours on Saturday and Sunday nights. PVS will therefore have the pool until 9:00 PM on Saturday and Sunday for next year's meet.

### **Diversity Initiatives**

While at the Black History Swim Meet, meetings were held with Sue Anderson and John Cruzat concerning PVS's diversity initiatives. In conjunction with discussions with Brenden McElroy, Aquatics Director DCPR an idea was discussed about possibly holding the PVS 2009 Swimposium at the Woodrow Wilson Aquatics Center in NW Washington currently scheduled to open during the summer of 2009. Holding the swimposium in the District would encourage more attendance by DC residents. The swimposium could start with a 2 hour Diversity track that would be lead by Sue Anderson and John Cruzat. After completion of the Diversity Track, other tracks being offered at the Swimposium could begin. This is simply an idea that was discussed during the meeting. Clearly many details would need to be worked out if the PVS board decided to pursue such an initiative.

**2009 – 2010 Budget Planning**

Initial planning for the 2009 – 2010 budget has begun. Projected 2008 – 2009 full year results and a base line budget for 2009 – 2010 will be distributed to Board members in late March. A majority of the April 2009 Board meeting scheduled for April 13, 2009 will be devoted to budget development and review. Based on an initial review of this year's budget activity and the increase in both registered athletes and meet entry fees, it is expected that PVS will end the year with a budget surplus.

Respectfully submitted

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