

# 2023 Potomac Valley Swimming Board of Directors Nominees

Nominations for the Board can also be made from the floor during the house meeting.

## General Chair Nominees

### **General Chair**

Description-

The General Chair shall oversee and have general charge of the management, business, operations, affairs and property of PVS, and general supervision over its officers and agents; shall call meetings when and where deemed necessary; shall preside at all meetings; and, except as otherwise provided in these Bylaws and with the advice and consent of the Board of Directors, shall appoint committee chairs and members for standing and special committees or coordinators as may be necessary to permit PVS to effectively, efficiently and economically conduct its affairs. The General Chair shall report to the Board of Directors all matters within the General Chair's knowledge that the Board of Directors should consider in the best interests of PVS.

### **Cherlynn Venit**

**Nominated by Greg York- MACH**

**Years in USAS/PVS-**

17 Years

#### **Biography-**

AAU Swimmer - a long time ago!

Summer and High School Swim Team Coach, 15 years

PVS Parent, 2005-2022

PVS Official (MR, DR, SR, CJ, ST, AO, CO, TO), 2006-present

Team Administrator/Co-Owner, Patuxent Aquatics Club, 2011-present

PVS, Administrative Vice Chair, 2022-present



Management Related:

B.S. in Commerce and Business Administration

M.S. in Applied Statistics

Department of Defense : Budget Analyst, Management Analyst and Organizational Analyst for the Department of the Air Force for over 10 years

- Defended billion-dollar budgets for Department of Air Force

- Managed organizational structure and realignments for the US Air Force

- Conducted numerous manpower work studies, determining manpower requirements and grade structure

- Responsible for feasibility studies and organizational structure studies

- Supervisory Division Chair for the Department of the Air Force overseeing 20 individuals

Small Business Owner/Manager of 3 small businesses managing all facets of the companies

Previous Volunteer Positions:

Treasurer, local Recreation Council

Treasurer, Homeowners' Association

Treasurer, PTA of local Elementary and Middle School

President, PTA local Elementary School

# Senior Vice Chair Nominees

## Voting for 1 Nominee- 2 Year Term

### **Senior Vice Chair**

#### Description-

The Senior Vice Chair shall chair and have general charge of the affairs and property of the Division that develops and conducts the senior swimming program of PVS. The Senior Vice Chair will serve as the liaison to the Athlete Representatives and the Athletes Committee, shall be responsible to see that the Athlete Representatives' elections are held in accordance with these Bylaws.

## **Aaron Dean**

**Nominated by Dan Jacobs- MACH**

**Years in USAS/ PVS-**

27 years as a USA Swim Coach/ 15 years with PVS

#### **Biography-**

I have been a head coach and coach of senior level swimmers for the past 27 years; six years in Pacific Northwest; six years in Missouri Valley and currently 15 years in PVS. I am currently the head coach and national training group coach for Occoquan Swimming as well as the coaches' representative to the PVS Board of Directors. In my past LSC's I have been a part of numerous committees as well as a board member of the Pacific Northwest Swimming Board of Directors. As your senior vice chair I will serve the needs of the organization as we evolve around the current challenges of our association size and competitive opportunities for continued growth and success. I happy to work with the coaches and teams in this role and provide leadership as well as act as an advocate for preserving, promoting and expanding our senior level swimmers locally as well as nationally and internationally.



## **Bryce Bohman**

**Nominated by Tom Ugast- NCAP**

**Years in USAS/ PVS-**

12 Years USAS/ 2 Years in PVS

#### **Biography-**

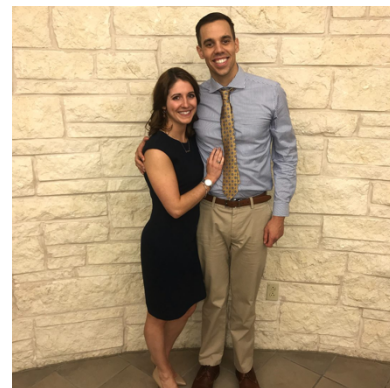
Hello, my name is Bryce Bohman. I joined NCAP and PVS in Summer of 2021 and bring 25 years of swimming experience and success, both as a coach and athlete at all levels.

Prior to NCAP, I spent 4 seasons as Lead Senior Coach at Longhorn Aquatics in Austin, Texas. While at TXLA, I assisted with developing Olympic Trial qualifiers, Jr National Champions and TAGS qualifiers. Before that, I was the Assistant Senior Coach at Club Mountaineer Aquatics and graduated from West Virginia University with a Masters Degree in Athletic Coaching Education.

I grew up in Moline, IL and started swimming at the age of 7. After high school, I was recruited to swim for Lincoln College where I was a 3x NJCAA Champion and National Record Holder. After 2 years at Lincoln, I was recruited to West Virginia University where I qualified for the 2012 Olympic Trial and was a 2x NCAA All American placing 5th in both the 100 & 200 Backstroke my senior season. During that year I was the Big XII Conference Champion in the 100 Backstroke and was named the 2014 BIG XII Swimmer of the Year. I continued to swim post college, qualifying for the 2016 and 2021 Olympic Trials and was a multi-time National Finalist.

Throughout my swimming and coaching career I have had the opportunity of working and being part of a variety of teams and LSC's all with the goal of enriching the sport of swimming for its athletes, coaches and volunteers.

I look forward to the opportunity to work for PVS as Vice Senior Chair and continue to help them create opportunities for growth.



# Diversity, Equity & Inclusion Nominees

Voting for 1 Nominee- 2 Year Term

## Diversity, Equity & Inclusion Chair

Description-

The Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Chair shall serve as the liaison between all members and the Board of Directors and House of Delegates on matters relating to diversity, equity, and inclusion as those terms are commonly understood within the USA Swimming community. The Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Chair shall also serve as Chair of the Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Committee.

## Clifton Gordon

Nominated by Jessica Fry- Mack- NCAP

Years in USAS/ PVS-

25 Years USAS/ 1 Years in PVS

Biography-

Cliff Gordon is currently the Gold 2 lead coach at Nation's Capital Swim Club - Georgetown Prep. He was the head coach at Hillsborough Aquatic Club in North Carolina for 7 years. Coach Gordon recently served as the Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Chair for the North Carolina Swimming, LSC.



## Governance Committee Nominees

Voting for 2 Athlete Representatives for a 2-year term

Voting for 3 Non- Athlete Representatives for a 2- year term

## Governance Committee

Description-

The Governance Committee shall be elected by the House of Delegates and shall be comprised of at least 5 members and no more than 8 members, with a sufficient number of athletes so as to constitute at least twenty percent (20%) of the voting membership of the Committee. No more than one half of the Committee shall be members of the PVS Board of Directors. If any member of the Governance Committee resigns or otherwise becomes unable to participate in its affairs, the General Chair, with the advice and consent of the Board of Directors, shall appoint a successor to serve until the next meeting of the House of Delegates. In no case shall the General Chair serve on the Governance Committee. Members shall serve two-year terms, staggered so that approximately one-half of the members are elected each year. After completion of three consecutive terms, members are not eligible to be elected or appointed to the Governance Committee until after a lapse of two years. A portion of any term served to fill a vacancy in the position shall not be considered in the computation of the successive term limitation.

## Nathan Widman (Athlete)

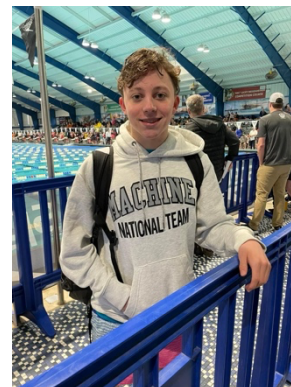
Nominated by Dan Haines- MACH

Years in USAS/ PVS-

11 Years in PVS

Biography-

As a member of PVS for the last 11 years, I have participated in the full spectrum of PVS meets. From the most elite championship of meets to monthly opens, I am always attentive to the entry requirements, qualifying times, and meet purpose. I am eager to gain a broader insight into how our LSC operates, and I would like to share my perspectives as an athlete member to help inform PVS's decision making process. Being both an NCSA qualifier and 4.0 student, I am committed to leadership in both my school and swim communities.



## Zachary Fayed (Athlete)

**Nominated by Self Nominated**

**Years in USAS/ PVS-**

8 Years in PVS

### **Biography-**

Zachary Fayed has been a PVS athlete since 2015. He is currently a 16 year old sophomore at Landon School in Bethesda, MD. Zach has been swimming for All Star Aquatics since he was 8 years old and is currently a member of the ASA National Training Group. Zach has been a member of the PVS Zone team multiple years and was awarded the PVS Scholar Athlete award last year (his first year eligible). Zach also swims for the Landon varsity swim team and has been selected as a member of the All-IAC team the last two years. During the summer, Zach swims for the Wildwood Wombats in the Montgomery County Swim League. Zach has been a volunteer swim instructor for the All Star Rising Stars program and the Minibats pre-team for Wildwood Manor. Zach is employed by Tollefson swimming as an in-water swim instructor and has been working with Tollefson for the past year during both the summer and the school year.



## Paris Jacobs (Incumbent)

**Nominated by Tom Ugast**

**Years in USAS/ PVS-**

25 Years in PVS/ USAS

### **Biography-**

Paris serves as CEO of Machine Brands overseeing the business operation and development of all divisions. During her long volunteer career within USA Swimming and USA Swimming Foundation, Paris has served on the Eastern Zone Board of Directors as the non-coach director and Eastern Zone Technical Committee. Within USA Swimming she has served on the USA Swimming Board of Directors, USA Swimming Foundation Board of Directors, Age Group Development Committee, multiple terms on the Club Development Committee, Audit Committee, National Board of Review, National Team Management Staff and various USA Swimming task forces.



Paris served as a business development consultant for The American Swim Coaches Association (ASCA) from 2015-2017 and the Chief Operations Officer (COO) of the American Swim Coaches Association from 2018-2020. Paris was the Senior Management Director for the Inaugural Season of the International Swimming League (ISL) in 2019 & 2020 where her duties included overseeing the event operations of all competitions in the United States, Pro Athlete Contract negotiations and development of governance rules for the league.

During her time in Potomac Valley Swimming, she has served on numerous committees and the PVS Board of Directors as the Administrative Vice-Chair. Since in the inception of the PVS Governance Committee, she has served on the committee and as the chair since 2021.

## Manga Dalizu (Incumbent)

**Nominated by Lynn Gerlach**

**Years in USAS/ PVS-**

25 Years in PVS/ USAS

### **Biography-**

I would like to run for Governance again at the 2023 HOD.

I am currently serving on this committee and would like to continue. I have served on the PVS Board in several capacities and have been on several committees over the years for PVS.

Thanks for your vote

Manga Dalizu

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## Tim Husson

**Nominated Self Nominated**

**Years in USAS/ PVS-**

28 Years in PVS/ USAS

### **Biography-**

I've served PVS in many capacities, including Officials Chair, Operations Vice Chair, Administrative Vice Chair, and General Chair. I was a leader in the most recent updates of the PVS Bylaws and Policies & Procedures Manual. My experience and in-depth knowledge of the workings of Potomac Valley Swimming make me an ideal candidate to help oversee the governance of the LSC.



## Jim Crampton

**Nominated Self Nominated**

**Years in USAS/ PVS-**

5 Years in PVS/ 43 USAS

### **Biography-**

I would like help with PVS governance. I served on the USA Swimming Governance Committee years ago. I coached in Gulf (Houston), Ohio, and North Carolina LSCs/Eastern, Central, and Southern Zones and been involved in volunteer governance of our sport at the club, LSC, Zone, and national level. Hopefully, would have some ideas and experiences to contribute.

## Meg Shappert

**Nominated by Lynn Ann Nickley- MACH**

**Years in USAS/ PVS-**

9 Years in PVS/ 14 USAS

### **Biography-**

I've been coaching age group swimming for 14 years in three different places. I started on the island of Guam as head coach for the Navy base team and as such was a member of the Guam Swimming Federation where I sat on the board as a coach representative. I then moved to Hawaii and became the head coach of the Pearl Harbor Joint Base age group swim team, Hickam Hurricanes for two years and worked closely with the parent led board for the non-profit team. I moved to Virginia and began working as a site coach and assistant coach for Machine Aquatics. I'm very interested in becoming a more integral part of our LSC and would love the opportunity to become part of the governance committee.



## Henry Tollefson

**Nominated by Tom Ugast- NCAP**

**Years in USAS/ PVS-**

5 Years in PVS/ 43 USAS

### **Biography-**

Henry has been coaching for over 10 years and the past six for TOLL. He's a lifelong competitive swimmer through high school and began coaching summer swimming in MCSL while still in high school. He currently can also be found coaching the CCRA Stingrays in the summer. Henry has a passion for inspiring swimmers to be the best possible athletes they can be through commitment and motivation. He strongly believes in technical feedback and helping swimmers grow throughout each season. In L1, he will focus on advanced skill development in underwaters, IM, and training for longer events. There is a focus on qualifying for top-level competitions such as JOs, IMX, ISCA, and Zones. Besides coaching, Henry enjoys reading, exercising, and playing with his cat, Oreo.



## **Finance Chair**

**There are no nominees for the PVS Finance Chair at this time.**

Description- The Finance Vice Chair is the chief financial officer of PVS. The Finance Vice Chair shall have general charge of the affairs and property of the division that includes the Treasury function, the development and implementation of an investment program for PVS' working capital, funded reserves and endowment funds and the development and implementation of a marketing and fund-raising plan for PVS. The Finance Vice Chair shall prepare an annual budget for PVS' operations and present the budget for approval by the Board of Directors and the House of Delegates. In addition, the Finance Vice Chair shall cause to be conducted the audit or review required pursuant to Section 7.4.2 and shall review, or shall cause the Audit Committee to review, the annual audit or review report and recommend acceptance and appropriate action, if any, with regard thereto by the Board of Directors and the House of Delegates. The Finance Vice Chair is responsible for the adequacy of PVS' system of internal financial and accounting controls.

The Finance Vice Chair, is ultimately responsible for PVS' compliance with Section 7.4.2. The Finance Vice Chair shall issue regular reports listing the current budget variances by line item, all expenditures and the current fund and account balances for the fiscal year to date, together with such other items as the General Chair or the Board of Directors may direct. The Finance Vice Chair shall:

- have charge of and supervision over and be responsible for the funds, moneys, securities and other financial instruments of PVS;
- cause the moneys, securities and other financial instruments of PVS to be deposited in the name and to the credit of PVS in such institutions as shall be designated in accordance with Section 6.12 or to be otherwise invested as the Board of Directors may direct;
- cause to be appropriately segregated and accounted for any endowment funds, scholarship or award funds and any similar special purpose funds or accounts;
- cause the funds of PVS to be disbursed by checks or drafts, automated debits or wire transfers upon the authorized depositories of PVS, and obtain and preserve proper vouchers for all moneys disbursed;
- cause to be kept in the safe keeping of the Treasurer or person authorized in writing by the Treasurer, correct books of account and other financial records of all its affairs and transactions and such duplicate books of account as the Board of Directors or the Finance Vice Chair shall determine;
- upon request and at reasonable hours cause such books or duplicates thereof to be exhibited to any member of the Board of Directors and upon application and at reasonable hours cause the quarterly financial reports and the annual audited financial statement to be exhibited to any member of PVS or USA Swimming;
- cause PVS to be in compliance with the requirements of Section 7.4.2;
- have the power to require from the officers, committee chairs, coordinators, staff or agents of PVS reports or statements giving such information as the Finance Vice Chair (Treasurer) may determine to be appropriate or helpful with respect to any and all financial transactions of PVS;
- make the books and records available and otherwise fully cooperate with those conducting the annual audit or review of PVS accounts and cause the preparation and timely filing of all required federal, state and local tax returns, and other financial and tax reports with the applicable government official, and forward a copy of the annual financial statement and audit or review reports and any federal tax return to the Administrative Vice Chair for posting to the PVS website. Additionally, submit these same documents electronically to USA Swimming's national headquarters in accordance with Article 8; Potomac Valley Swimming Policies and Procedures Handbook 5
- in general, perform all the other duties incident to the corporate treasury.