CONNECTICUT SWIMMING, INC. Board of Directors Meeting Minutes January 10,2022 8:00 PM

<u>Call to Order/Roll Cal</u>I: General Chair, Rick Lewis called the meeting to order at 8:05 pm.

Board Members: Rick Lewis, Jeff Sargent, Lauren Lazar, Joan Lynch, Susan Leczca, Jen Lyman, Ronnie Vaughan, Yolanda Jahan, Dave Pite, Jason Paige, Bill Natlo, Emily Fox, Sam Enes, Thomas Dupont, Jane Smith, Nick Cavataro, David Heller, David and Kathleen Mendonca, Greg Pinchbeck, Ellen Johnston

Absent Board Members: Brandon Foster ,Lorenzo Zullo, Kelci Hayley, Finn Henry, Dennis Flores

<u>Approval of Agenda</u> MOTION made to adopt the Agenda as distributed. Passed unanimously

<u>Adoption of Minutes from 10/19/21</u> MOTION made to adopt the Minutes as distributed. Passed unanimously

ANNOUNCEMENTS/UPDATES

Rick Lewis- not much to report on CT Swim or USA Swimming. There is a USA Swimming chair call this week. Will report back next week.

Jeff Sargent- There was an executive committee meeting on 11/18. All members were in attendance. It was voted to proceed with the intent of negotiation for Henk to be our new Director of Operations.

NEW BUSINESS-

- 1. Financials- Sue- First four months of fiscal year are strong. We are seeing some surcharges coming in. As of 12/31/21 we are sitting on a profit of 16K, which is normal.
- 2. Finalizing SC season- Ronnie and Jen- Unfortunate news that UConn can't follow through with CT Seniors. Reached out to other possibilities- Cheshire, CPAC, Westport, YMCA, Hamden Hall.
- 3. CT Regionals- going on as planned
- 4. CT Seniors- two proposed sites- Wilton and Westport. There is a small committee formed to help with this: Rick, Jason, Ronnie, Ellen and Rob.
- 5. Wilton- can do the whole meet. They would host Thursday- Sunday. Sunday would be distance events.

6. Westport can only hold finals.

A MOTION was made to hold the CT Senior Championships in two pools. Trials at Wilton with the Finals at Westport. Passed unanimously

**Further discussions to the above Senior invite and Age Groups- pending additional conversations with Chelsea Piers.

7. Regionals will be held February 25-27, 2022
8. CT Senior Invite LC- March 3-6 2022
9. CT Age Groups- (10/U)- March 11-13
10. CT Age groups- March 17-20- need a facility

Coach representatives and athlete representatives- we need nominations for these positions! Athlete reps should put something together so we can post it to the website. Same thing for the coach representative.

REPORTS OF OFFICERS, COMMITTEE CHAIRS AND COORDINATORS:

General Chair Report- Rick Lewis- nothing to report

Administrative Vice Chair- Jeff Sargent- nothing to report

Treasurer- Susan Lecza- nothing to report

Finance Vice- Chair- Joan Lynch- nothing to report

Age Group Committee Chair- Ronnie- Age Group cuts were posted to the CT Swim website before the holidays. They will be the same as the times in 2020. With the addition of SC Meters. Trying to give more kids an opportunity to compete.

Senior Committee Chair- Rob Bouchey- nothing to report

Technical Planning Committee Chair- Jason Paige- nothing to report

Program Development- Jen Lyman- not present

Program Operations Chair- Yolanda Jahan- nothing to report

Officials Committee Chair- Dave Pite- There have been a lot of clinics with more officials being certified. Few meets canceled until recently. There are more people getting recertified before Dec. 30.

Operational Risk Coordinator- Brandon Foster- nothing to report

Coach Representatives- Bill Natlo- nothing to report

Athlete Representatives- Emily Fox/Sam Enes- nothing to report

Safe Sport Coordinator- Greg Pinchbeck- 2 new teams were added. Westport- Westin Family Y and Southington YMCA- we are now at 20-21%.

Coach-at-Large- Nick Cavataro-nothing to report

Registration/Membership Coordinator- Kathleen/Davide Mendonca- January 18th meeting coming up.

Zone Coordinator Member-at-Large- Vacant position

Diversity, Equity & Inclusion- Dennis Flores- nothing to report

Elections are coming and we need nominations. 20 days prior to the HOD meeting we need a slate of nominations. We would like to fill the Zone Chair before March. We need a Zone coordinator for the summer meet in August.

It was also suggested by Jeff Sargent for all meet directors and meet referees to refer to the USA Swimming guidelines and talking points about participation of transgender athletes.

The next Board Meeting will be held on January 18th at 8:30 pm via Zoom.

Open chair positions- will mention at HOD meeting.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:21 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Lauren Lazar Secretary