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#### **CONNECTICUT SWIMMING**

# BOARD OF DIRECTORS MINUTES April 21, 2010

General Chairman Jeff Gray called the meeting to order at the High Plains Community Center in Orange, CT at 7:35 P.M.

Present: Ed Becker, Peter Boucher, Ed Doernberger, Mike Ferraro, Dennis Flores, Jeff Gray, David Heller, Chris Hug, Henk Jansen, Cooper Kearns, Rick Lewis, Lauren Solernou, Kaeley Steinnagel, Bonnie Strittmatter, Mary Westcott.

Not Present: Mike Huffman, King Lee, Dan Mascolo, Christine Pelham and Judy Snow.

Additions to the Agenda: None.

Approval of the Agenda: The Agenda was unanimously approved.

Approval of the Minutes: A motion to accept the minutes of the January 10, 2010 Board of Directors meeting was unanimously approved.

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

### **ByLaw Revisions – Hug**

Discussion conducted regarding revisions and modifications to the CSI ByLaws. A motion was made and unanimously approved to present and recommend modified and revised CSI Bylaws to the House of Delegates for approval and adoption.

## **USA Swimming Strategic Planning Retreat – Hug**

It was agreed that CT Swimming would conduct a Strategic Planning Retreat on September 10 and 11, 2010. Chris Hug to schedule and coordinate September Retreat dates with USA Swimming.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

## **Executive Session**

Discussion conducted regarding a registration matter and USA Swimming Child Protection efforts.

## **Nominating Committee**

David Heller reported regarding the Nominees selected by the CSI Nominating Committee as candidates for the May 2010 House of Delegate Meeting elections. Chris Hug – General Chair, Rick Lewis – Administrative Vice Chair, Jeff Gray – Program Development Vice Chair, Bill Ball and Bob Shearer –

Senior Committee Co-Chairs, Finance Vice Chair – Bonnie Strittmatter, Secretary – Hilary Berger.

## 2010-2011 Budget

The registration fee for athletes and non athletes for 2011 will be \$ 58.00. The budget as drafted for 2010-2011 was unanimously approved.

## **Short Course Age Group Championship Feedback**

A letter commenting on a Speaker at the Short Course Age Group Championships was reviewed and discussed by the General Chair and the Vice Chair.

## **Adapted Swimming Coordinator**

CSI is still searching for a new Adapted Swimming Coordinator.

## **Wesleyan University Donation**

Wesleyan University recently expressed interest in resuming discussion with CSI regarding a donation to the Athletic Department toward the purchase of a new timing system for the university. A motion was made and unanimously approved to authorize Barry Silver and Mike Huffman to resume discussions with Wesleyan regarding a possible CSI donation for the purchase of a timing system with a maximum donation amount of \$30,000.

## **USA Swimming Treasurer Workshop**

A motion was made and unanimously approved to send CSI Treasurer Mary Westcott to Minneapolis to attend a USA Swimming Treasurer Workshop.

#### **Exit Interviews for Board Members**

A suggestion was made that Exit Interviews be conducted of all outgoing Board members in order to obtain the outgoing Board members input, insight and recommendations.

## **Championship Meet Code of Conduct**

Discussion conducted regarding the behavior of coaches at Championship Meets and of the institution of a Code of Conduct regarding meet behavior based upon several recent incidents that occurred at the 2010 Short Course Age Group Championships.

## **Eastern Zone Meeting**

The General Chair reported that no one from CT Swimming would be attending the 2010 Eastern Zone meeting in Fort Lauderdale, Florida.

## **House of Delegates Meeting**

CSI will hold its House of Delegates meeting on May 18, 2010 at the Orange Community Center.

## **Reports of Officers**

## Administrative Vice Chair - Chris Hug

No Report.

## Treasurer - Mary Westcott

CSI is in a good financial position. Starting to prepare for the annual Audit.

## Finance Vice Chair - Bonnie Strittmatter

No Report.

# Age Group Committee - King Lee

No Report.

#### Senior Committee - Henk Jansen

Senior Long Course Meet Announcement and cut off times to be published soon.

## **Program Development – Rick Lewis**

Summer 2010 Championship Meet Announcements to be available soon.

## **Program Operations – Mike Huffman**

No Report.

## **Technical Planning – Kaeley Steinnagel**

The Committee is preparing for its meeting with the Age Group Committee and will be considering proposals to revise and revamp the short course meet schedule.

## Coach Representative - Dennis Flores/Dan Mascolo

No Report.

#### **Athlete Representative - Lauren Solernou/Cooper Kearns**

No Report.

### Coach at Large - Christine Pelham/Michael Ferraro

Working on National Coaches stipend survey and CT coaches' salary survey.

## Safety – Peter Boucher

2009 Accident Summary Handout distributed and discussed.

#### Officials - Ed Becker

See Officials Committee Report Handout. CSI conducted 10 short course officials clinics.

# Registration - Judy Snow

Judy Snow provided a report for General Chair Gray to provide to the Board in her absence, but Mr. Gray forgot to bring the report to the meeting with him.

Next meeting to be conducted on June 16, 2010.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:31 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

David M. Heller

Secretary

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