CONNECTICUT SWIMMING, INC. Technical Planning Committee Minutes- Orange Community Center January 15, 2013

Present: Kaeley Steinnagel, Henk Jansen, Mike Ferraro, Ellen Johnson, Omar Cruz

Not Present: Mark Newcombe, Dan Zeek, Sean Farrell

Also Present: Randy Erlenbach

Kaeley Steinnagel called the meeting to order at 7:45 PM.

APPROVAL of AGENDA

APPROVAL of MINUTES (May 2012, December 2012)

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND REPORTS

- HOD update about possible changes
- Recap of Regional information brought to AG Committee

OLD BUSINESS

- CT Swimming Schedule (4 year plan)
 - SC meet schedule- teams are upset at the uneven distribution of meets this season. Weekends are saturated.
 - o Within looking at meet schedule- bid process and deadlines
- Conversation was had around the stipulations put forth by CT Swimming on teams wishing to host "Invitationals". It is the belief of this committee that the rule stating a team must host an "Age Group Qualifier" in order to host an "Invitational" level meet is not needed in CT Swimming. Dropping this rule would help with the problem of meet saturation on certain weekends. It was also stated that meet announcements need to be received and posted in a timelier manner. The posted schedule does not disclose the specific type/format of a meet leaving teams to guess when creating their meet schedules. The committee did not feel that 8 and under meets would be impacted by making changes since there are many teams that do not have the venues to host any other type of meet.

MOTION: CT Swimming to consider dropping the stipulations that teams hosting an "Invitational" meet must also host an AG Qualifier. Any team wishing to bid on Regionals must still host an additional All Age multi-day meet.

PASSED- 5-0

Senior level meet for the 2013-2014 SC Season- information to be passed to Senior Committee

TP will be passing the following suggestion to Senior Committee:

Bid out a Senior level (high caliber) meet in the 2013-2014 season:

- Weekend would be "blacked out" to any other meet of the same level
- Teams may host meets on the same weekend but they must have "cap times". (Can also be a 12 and under meet or 8 and under meet)
- Team hosting Senior level meet should consider running an afternoon session meeting the same requirements as stated above.
- Meet would have a CT deadline.
- Must be a process in place for selecting the team that will host the meet in the case there are more than one teams bidding.
- Meet must be trials/finals, with 2 1/2 to 3 1/2 day format
- Possible weekends for this meet:
 - o December 13-15, 2013
 - o January 17-19, 2014
 - o January 24-26, 2014**
 - Date most liked
 - o January 30-February 2, 2014
 - February 6-9, 2014

NEW BUSINESS

1) 2014 LC Championship meet schedule (we are losing a weekend at Wesleyan)

- tabled

Adjourned: 9:25 PM Submitted by: Kaeley Steinnagel