CONNECTICUT SWIMMING, INC.

Board of Directors Wednesday, June 15, 2011 7:30 pm Teleconference AGENDA

Vision Statement: Connecticut Swimming...better life through swimming.

Mission Statement: Connecticut Swimming promotes the pursuit of excellence in swimming and in life through competition and education.

Call to Order/Roll Call

Approval of Agenda/Additions to Agenda

Announcements

Adoption of Minutes of April 13, 2011

Old Business

Wesleyan Donation Strategic Plan Items

New Business

USAS Convention attendance

Volunteer of the Year ad hoc committee Finance Division Vice-Chair appointment 2011-2012 meeting scheduling reminders USA Swimming's revised privacy policy

Reports of Officers:

General Chair Report – Chris Hug

Administrative Vice-Chair – Rick Lewis

Treasurer - Mary Westcott

Finance Vice-Chair – Bonnie Strittmatter

Age Group Committee Chair – King Lee

Senior Committee Chair – Bob Shearer

Program Development Vice-Chair – Jeff Gray

Program Operations Vice-Chair – Mike Huffman

Technical Planning Committee Chair – Kaeley Steinnagel

Coach Representatives – Dan Mascolo/John Spadafina

Athlete Representatives – Cooper Kearns/Lexi Koukos

Coach-at-Large -

Safety Committee Chair – Peter Boucher

Officials Committee Chair – Ed Becker

Registration/Membership Coordinator – Judy Snow

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Present: Ed Becker, Peter Boucher, Ed Doernberger, Jeff Gray, Mike Huffman, David Heller, Chris Hug, King Lee, Rick Lewis, Dan Mascolo, Bob Shearer, Judy Snow, John Spadafina, Kaeley Steinnagel, Bonnie Strittmatter, Mary Westcott,

Came on Call Late: Dave Heller, Dan Mascolo

Not Present: Bill Ball (double check) Also Present: Nan Cooper

Approval of the Agenda – Chris Hug added three additions to the Agenda:

1. Diversity Camp Funding

- 2. Amendment to Seasonal Athletes Registration
- 3. Long Course Regional Bid

Agenda was approved with these additions

Approval of the Minutes – The minutes of the prior Board Meeting were approved without modification.

Old Business:

Wesleyan Donation: After lengthy discussion Chris will consider how best use the \$30,000 proposed gift to best serve the interests of CSI and offer that equipment. Chris will make this list of equipment for next board meeting

New Business:

2011-2012 Budget: Bonnie Strittmatter – presented a balanced budget of \$736,000. The Budget Committee changed athlete registration fees one dollar, from \$58.00 to \$59.00. Club registration and meet fees are the same. Chris thanks Bonnie for her service. Motion is made and approved to pass the budget for 2011 2012.

Nominating Committee: Dave Heller

Nominees:

Dave Reilly: Age Group Committee Chair Tak Takabayashi: Program Operations Kaeley Steinnagel: Technical Planning Ed Becker: Officials Committee

Todd Gordon: Finance Vice-Chair Mary Westcott: Treasurer

Ed Heath: Safety Committee Chair

Judy Snow: Registration

Mike Ferraro and George Bradner: Coach at Large

Board of Review: Dave Heller, George Bradner, Monica Prangley, Taylor Dubuel, Ed Becker Jr.

Dave is looking for additional names.

House of Delegates Meeting in May: After lengthy discussion a motion is made and approved to have a fall House of Delegates meeting on Saturday October 1^{st.} Prior to the House of Delegates Meeting there would be a program organized by Chris to include coaches, officials and club management. Possibilities for topics at this meeting include: Registration and Club Governance to describe the Club Recognition Program. Workshops would be in the morning followed by House of Delegates Meeting. Graduate Club in New Haven is a possibility to be explored.

Eastern Zone Meeting: Ed Becker will attend.

USA Swimming Safety Workshop: USA Swimming asked if we would attend a safety workshop on July 8-10, 2011 in Minneapolis. Chris is not optimistic about this that a member will attend. Ed Heath will be asked.

Eastern Zone Diversity Camp Funding: Jeff Gray: held at LaSalle University in Philidelphia June 16 – 19. Advocates sending representatives from CSI. Discussion ensued and proposed that Joanne and Nan would promote this on website. We need to authorize funding to pay for transportation plus \$200.00 for room and food per attendee. Mary expressed that we can absorb the cost of \$600.00 per person up to \$3600.00. We can leave details to Joanne for the application. Motion is made and approved for up to 4 individuals for \$3600 to attend this program.

Long Course Regional Championship – Mike Huffman, Program Operations– is working on resolution for sites for regional championships with regard to the bidding process. A lengthy discussion took place and question came up about whether CSI should have control over the venues and what is the best way to accept bids. This will be resolved in meeting of Program Operations.

Seasonal Athletes: Judy Snow: Season will be changed from April 15th – August 15th to April 1st – August 15th. The bylaws state no more than 150 days, so we are fine. We need to do this because new kids are getting shut out of early meets.

Reports of Officers:

General Chair – Chris Hug: Nothing added. We can expect number of meetings to decline going forward. June meeting will be more strategic.

Administrative Vice Chair -Rick Lewis: Ginger McCurdy is helping Nan. Will talk about banquet at the next meeting

Treasurer – **Mary Westcott:** Athlete registration and surcharge are up. We have 5102 athletes right now. Mary answered a question re Sarah Jalet Fund. The Sarah Jalet fund to award Scholarship money each year for the Senior Committee. Based on dedication to CT swimming and scholarship. There are issues for NCAA regarding compliance and eligibility issues. This will be reviewed for next meeting

Age Group Committee: There is a new proposal for Short Course Age Groups that will be looked at this month. Had an issue with zone selection for short course and will be reviewing this for the next zone meet

Senior Committee: Bob Shearer: Nothing Added

Program Development: Jeff Gray: Senior Committee reports time standards, meet announcement, senior standards, zone team. Proposal to eliminate 15-18 year olds from age groups. Zone Team: There was a vote to re affirm eligibility, policies, and criteria information.

Program Operations-Mike Huffman: UConn Pool- their process needs to be reviewed around issues of security and maintenance.

Technical Planning Committee: Kaeley Steinnagel: She wants to look to the future of CT swimming and be sure committees are not doing the same work

Coach Representative: John Spadafina: Jimmy Santiago will be starting his term soon.

Official Committee Chair: Ed Becker: Officials tracking system video is online

Registration/Membership-Judy Snow: Nothing Added

Open Water Swimming Safety Conference: Dave Heller: Hosted by Pacific Masters, USA Swimming, and Masters. Fran Crippen and his tragic death was the focus. Many issues being explored for improved safety. Among other issues, there was no coach with them. Open water is growing by leaps and bounds and safety is a huge issue. Looking a Chip timing to track swimmers and to have swimmers along the shore so that lifeguards can be on the beach during competition. Dave mentioned the Madison Mile and 12/Under Swimming Series for Open Water.

Motion to Adjourn at 9:30pm

Respectfully Submitted,

Hilary Berger, CSI Secretary

	MEETING	SPONSOR
TUESDAY, SEPT	FMBFR 13	
2:00pm - 5:00pm	Board of Directors	
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WEDNESDAY, S	EPTEMBER 14	
8:00am - 12:00pm	Board of Directors	
	[National Team Evaluation Committee]	OIOC
	Senior Development Committee	
12:00pm - 1:00pm	Current and Former Board of Directors Luncheon	President
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1:00pm - 3:00pm	LSC Development Committee - Business Meeting	
	SWIMS Times Module Workshop	Times & Recognition Committee
1:00pm - 5:00pm	Open Water Steering	Steering Committee
	Rules & Regulations Committee	3
2:00pm - 4:00pm	Awards Committee	
	Risk Management Workshop	USSIC
3:00pm - 5:00pm	Club Development Committee - Business Meeting	
<u>r</u>	Managers Training Workshop	National Team Division Staff
4:00pm - 5:00pm	[Athletes Executive Committee - Business Meeting]	
	[Awards Committee]	
5:00pm - 6:00pm	Your Convention GPS (first opportunity)	Convention Education Committee
	National Team and OIOC Athlete Issues	Athlete Executive Committee
6:00pm - 7:00pm	Western Zone LSC General Chairs' Meeting	Western Zone Directors
7:00pm - 9:00pm	USAS Insurance Welcome Reception	Risk Management Services
8:00pm - 10:00pm	Athlete Protection Committee - Business Meeting	
THURSDAY, SEF		
8:00am - 9:50am	LSC Age Group Chairs Workshop #1	Age Group Development Committee
	Make a Splash Workshop	Club Development Division Staff
	Officials Committee Meeting/Workshop	Officials Committee
3:00am - 12:00pm	Steering Committee	
9:00am - 10:00am	Athletes' Meet & Greet	Athlete Executive Committee
	Your Convention GPS (second opportunity)	Convention Education Committee
10:00am - 11:00am	Athlete First Timers Workshop	Athlete Executive Committee
10:00am - 12:00pm	Central Zone Region 8 Coaches Meeting	Central Zone Directors
	[Competitive Aquatic Facility Directors' Association]	CAFDA
	Diversity Committee - Business Meeting	
	Governance Committee - Business Meeting	

	MEETING	SPONSOR
	Investment Committee	
	Open Water Development Committee - Business Meeting	
	Rules & Regulations Committee	
	SWIMS Registration Module Workshop	Registration/Membership Committee
	Times & Recognition Committee - Business Meeting	
11:00am - 12:50pm	General Chairs' Luncheon (by invitation only)	LSC Development Committee
1:00pm - 2:50pm	Athlete Welfare Educational Presentation	Athlete Protection Committee
3:00pm - 3:30pm	Get Parliamentary Skills	Convention Education Committee
3:00pm - 5:00pm	LSC Age Group Chairs Workshop #2	Age Group Development Committee
5.00pm	Disability Swimming Workshop	Disability Swimming Committee
	[Championship Evaluation Committee - Business Mtg]	Disability Swiffining Committee
	Outreach Clinic (off-site)	Athlete Executive Committee
	2012 Budget Meeting	Treasurer
	Safety Education Committee	Treasurer
3:00pm - 7:00pm	Olympic Int'l Operations Cmte (OIOC)	
5:00pm - 6:00pm	Competitive Aquatic Facility Directors' Association	CAFDA
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7:00pm - 9:00pm	Eastern Zone	
	Central Zone	
	Southern Zone	
	Western Zone	
FRIDAY, SEPTE	MBER 16 (Make A Splash Spirit Day - wear lig	ht blue)
8:00am - 9:00am	LSC General Chairs' Meeting	LSC Development Committee
8:00am - 9:50am	Athletes' Meeting	Athlete Executive Committee
	Burning Issues for Officials	Officials Committee
	Coaches Meeting	
	Registration/Membership Cmte - Business Meeting	
9:00am - 12:00pm	International Relations Committee	
9:30am - 12:00pm	LSC Leadership Workshop	Club Development Staff
10:00am - 11:30am	Eastern Zone Coaches' Summit	Club Development Staff
10:00am - 12:00pm	Club & LSC Financial Management	Treasurer
	Intro to OME for LSCs - NHQ & LSCs Working Together	Business Operations Staff
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	Open Water Swimming Seminar Sports Drink Workshop	Open Water Development Committee Convention Education Committee
12:00pm - 1:30pm	Open Water Swimming Seminar Sports Drink Workshop Sports Medicine/Science Workshop	Open Water Development Committee Convention Education Committee Sports Medicine/Science Committee
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	Open Water Swimming Seminar Sports Drink Workshop Sports Medicine/Science Workshop Celebration Luncheon with Gregg Troy and Olympians	Open Water Development Committee Convention Education Committee Sports Medicine/Science Committee USA Swimming Foundation

	MEETING	SPONSOR
	Championship Evaluation Committee - Meet Evaluations	
	Diversity Workshop	Diversity Committee
	International Relations Committee	
	LSC Board of Review Workshop	Board of Review Committee
	Registration Forum - Best Practices	Registration/Membership Committee
	Swimming in the Same Water	Convention Education Committee
3:00pm - 3:50pm	Eastern Zone	
	Central Zone	
	Southern Zone	
	Western Zone	
4:00pm - 6:00pm	Disability Swimming Committee - Business Meeting	
	National Board of Review Certification	Board of Review Committee
	Observations on Starts (Russell Mark)	National Team Staff
	Pool Problems and Solutions - Facilities Development Dept.	Facilities Development Staff
	The Social Networking Phenomenon	Convention Education Committee
6:00pm - 7:00pm	[Athletes Executive Committee - Business Meeting]	
7:30pm - 9:00pm	House of Delegates	
SATURDAY, SEP	TEMBER 17	
8:15am to 8:45am	Athletes' Meeting	Athlete Executive Committee
9:00am - 12:00pm	Sports Medicine and Science Network Annual Meeting	Sports Medicine/Science Committee
9:00am - 2:00pm	House of Delegates	
1:00pm - 5:00pm	Sports Medicine and Science Network Annual Meeting	Sports Medicine/Science Committee
2:30pm - 5:00pm	Board of Directors	
7:00pm - 10:00pm	Aquatics Awards Banquet	
10:00pm to 12:00am	Athlete Social Event	Athlete Executive Committee
SUNDAY, SEPTE		1
8:00am - 9:00am	United States Aquatic Sports Trustees	USAS



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The following information, and only the following information, shall be acceptable for publication in any form, including but not limited to the world wide web, regarding any USA Swimming member without authorization from the athlete, if of majority; the athlete's parent/guardian, if a minor; or the non-athlete member:

name,
age in years,
club affiliation,
time and place, and
any awards or honors.

Authorization to publish the contact information provided by the member (limited to name, address, telephone number(s), email address and fax number) is deemed given by any member serving USA Swimming, an LSC or a club member as an officer, Board member, committee member or designated club contact, and any Meet Referee or Meet Director with respect to any meet announcement wherein they have agreed to be so designated. USA Swimming membership numbers may be published when done for data transmission only. USA Swimming membership numbers may not under any circumstance be published together with the name of the member or in a series of reports that when taken together will reveal the name and membership number of the member.

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Connecticut Swimming
Officials Committee Meeting
June 9, 2011
Milford Yacht Club

Attending: E. Becker (Chair) B. M. Huffman, W. Repass, B. Weiderecht, M. Prangley, E. Doernberger. Absent: M-P. Graf, K. Lee.

Meeting topics:

The October 1 Annual Officials Meeting will have a clinic-like component like the last two years, but it will also feature a panel discussion featuring a couple athletes, coaches, maybe an official? And, a moderator. Location TBD.

Officials Shirts: The Committee agreed to change the officials shirt logo to the new, light blue, Connecticut Swimming logo. The shirt will be white and the additional options of name and American flag will be available. The shirt will not say "Official." That identification will be achieved with new nameplates.

Officials nameplates: The standard plate will be white with the new, light blue Connecticut Swimming logo and the person's name. (Hopefully the logo color on the plate will match the color of the logo embroidered on the shirt.) We decided we would have different color name plates for starters and referees. Red and Blue. The new light blue Connecticut Swimming logo should look ok the dark blue name plate. Nameplates would be provided upon request. (Duplicates would be at cost.)

We discussed several approaches to recognize longevity. 5 years, 10 years, etc. Consensus was that a lapel pin would be appropriate. Mike Huffman will search his old database for information on officials tenure.

People with Facebook accounts should "friend" Connecticut Swimming Officials and post appropriate comments. This is a test to get two-way communication, interaction and engagement between officials, which the blog has failed to do. (How the blog might do this better is also being studied.) The Facebook page is not being widely promoted. It will be monitored.

The practice of conducting clinics at meets was discussed. This met with various levels of success in the past, but it was agreed we would give in another try.

We will initiate the process of making our 2011-2012 SCY Senior Championships a national official qualifying meet. We will alternate Seniors and Age Groups in future years if this works out. Bill and Mike will explore if they are/can be qualified to conduct the observations.

We discussed adding Admin and Chief Judge levels, and separating Deck Referee and Deck Referee levels of certification in the Connecticut Swimming LSC. The Admin is easy enough to put in place. I will look at the USA Swimming recommendations for LSC Chief Judges with the goal of offering this sometime in the fall. There were some different opinions about separating Deck Referee and Meet Referee. While everyone agreed they are quite different and perhaps warranted different certifications, several cited how difficult making this distinction might be. More discussion on this welcome.

Efforts are underway to move as much of the administrative detail as possible from our clinics to the Blog and website. The first step in this direction was the addition of the

One thing that I failed to put on my list was that officials will have to meet yet another USA Swimming certification requirement in the months ahead. Everyone will have to take an online course with questions at the end on the topic of Athlete Protection. This will be a requirement like the background check. More details when they are available.

Next clinic: New and re-certifying S&T, and re-certifying Starter Clinic, Glastonbury, June 21. Greenwich willing to host a Starter clinic, but would prefer a more central location, if possible.

Additions, clarifications, or exceptions to these notes welcome!

Ed Becker

Ed Becker Officials Chair Connecticut Swimming

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Connecticut Swimming: Program Development Report

June 15th, 2011

Committee Updates:

Senior Committee:

- Committee reviewed and discussed SC 2012 time standards, which will remain the same as they were for 2011.
- After discussion on the 2012 Championship meets dates, it was confirmed that March 1-4, 2012 would be available at Wesleyan University for Senior Championships. Sectional championships are March 22-25, 2012.
- The Age Group Championship Proposal was passed by the Senior Committee, in a 3-1 vote.
- Bill Ball has resigned as Senior Committee Co-Chair.

Age Group Committee:

- LC Regional Championship time standards and meet announcement were reviewed and discussed. No third site for LC 13/18 Regional Championships is available. This leaves 2 meets and the time standards will be adjusted to accommodate 2 meets. It was decided to approve minimum qualifying times for 200 events and longer. 12/U Regional Championships will be held at 3 sites and there will be no minimum qualifying times for the 50 and 100 events, 200 free, and 200 IM events. The Regional meet announcement has been updated to include housekeeping changes, uniform session times for all 12/U meets, and updated minimum time standards.
- The Age Group Committee approved the SC 2012 Age Group Time Standards. The 15/18 standards will be dropped if the Age Group Championship proposal passes at PD.
- The Age Group Committee did endorse by majority vote the Age Group Championship proposal.
- The Zone Team Policy was reviewed and revised.
- The committee selected 4 assistant coaches for the LC 2012 Zone meet. One has since stepped down. The committee has re-opened applications for the remaining positions.

Technical Planning Committee

- TP has been engaged in ongoing discussion with the other committees.
- TP discussed and did not approve the Age Group Championship Proposal.

Program Development Updates:

- Diversity Camp update: 2 coaches and 9 athletes applied for this program. Response was good and CSI will attend with the Diversity/Outreach Chair, 2 coaches, and 2 athletes.
- Adapted Swimming Committee Chair: Mark Kinne from Glastonbury has accepted this volunteer opportunity.
- 2011 LC Regional Championship Time Standards are based on 3 meets for 12/U athletes resulting in no minimum qualifying times for 50M events, 100M events, 200M free, and 200M IM. Time standards are based on 2 meets for 13/18 athletes resulting in minimum qualifying times for all 200M events and longer. The minimum time standards have been reviewed and approved.

- 2011 LC Regional Meet Announcement: changes included locations, updated minimum time standards, host clubs, and order of events. No meet policy changes except the 12/U sites will all begin with a 7 am warm-up and 8 start. Reviewed and approved.
- 2012 SC Age Group Time Standards have been reviewed and approved. Times Standards Chair reported the time standard are anywhere from 30-36th time based on the 2011 SC meet psych sheets.
- 2012 SC Senior Championship time standards will remain the same as 2011 SC Senior Championship meet, and have been reviewed and approved.
- 2012 SC Championship Meet Schedule: The following schedule was created and approved:
 - o February 24-26, 2012 Regional Championships
 - o March 1-4, 2012 Senior Championship at Wesleyan
 - o March 15-18 Age Group Championship at Wesleyan
- Zone Team Policy was revised and updated by the Age Group Committee and was reviewed and discussed by PD. The Program Development committee asked for specific language regarding the challenge meeting. Full-year member athletes will be added as a LC eligibility criterion. It was suggested that the document be better organized. The Age Group Committee will work on the above modifications and present a final version to Program Development at the first fall 2011 meeting.
- The SC Age Group Championship Proposal has been discussed over three Program Development meetings. A fair amount of feedback has been received from the community, some but not all of it positive. All agreed that better communication with the coaching community would be imperative. After much healthy discussion and debate, it was determined that the Program Development Committee was not prepared to endorse or to vote on this proposal at this time, for the following reasons:
 - ➤ We would like opportunity to re-communicate proposal to membership (a blast e-mail has gone out to our membership since our last meeting from the PD Chair).
 - ➤ We are heading into a transition year with a new Age Group Chair beginning September 1, 2011, and the committee membership likely to change as well.
 - ➤ The Committees would like to craft a more clear definition of "Age Group swimming" and "Senior swimming".
 - ➤ While we are experiencing growth and looking for ways to handle the increasing numbers of athletes, it has yet to be determined if

- this proposal is the best way to proceed for our athletes and community.
- ➤ This proposal would in effect change Short Course Age Group Championships to a 14/U meet, and it has yet to be determined if this is a desirable outcome.
- ➤ Senior Championship meet would absorb the 15/18 group. Senior cuts would be revised. Concerns have been expressed about the senior meet growing too large.
- Feedback has been shared with PD and discussed by the committee that focuses on the provision of competitive opportunities for our swimmers, and the sense that this proposal may serve to reduce competitive opportunities.
- ➤ The proposal was endorsed by the Age Group and Senior Committees, but not by Technical Planning.
- ➤ This is a significant enough change that if passed, the Board of Directors would need to review and approve also. Some have suggested that it should even go to the House of Delegates.
- Fall 2011 Agenda Items will include the following:
 - o Zone Policy
 - o SC Age Group Championship Proposal

General Chair's Report June 2011

I am pleased to report that:

- 1) General Comments We again have the appearance of an adult male attempting to gain access to USA Swimming through a Club. USA Swimming has been advised and protection measures have been sent to Coaches, Officials, Meet Hosts and Club contacts; Additional issues have arisen concerning Zone coaches and has been dealt with.
- 2) <u>Marriott</u> As of this writing, a revised proposal has been submitted, which I will discuss at the meeting.
- 3) <u>Wesleyan</u> I have contacted Mary Bolich concerning the original deal. Proposal to be distributed at meeting
- 4) **BOD** Bill Ball has resigned from the BOD due to pressing commitments elsewhere.
- 5) UCONN Complications resulted from a coach contacting a state senator.
 Contact was made with UCONN and with the Senator. Matters appear to have been reconciled, but the proof will be when we need to use the pool next year. A recommendation will be made to Program Operations to add a condition of bidding championships meet that the venue approves of the team running the meet.
- 6) <u>Board of Review</u> One new potential matter may been referred to the BOR since our last meeting.
- 7) **To do:**
 - a) Planning for Fall BOD
 - b) Club Recognition Proposal
 - c) Finish Strategic Framework Document
 - d) Make A Splash New London
 - e) CLUB Recognition incentives
 - f) Coach training incentives
 - g) CIAC

Coach's Representative report for the Board of Directors Meeting June 15th 2011

We developed a criterion for the Coach of the Year Ballot. The goals for the criteria are to recognize the accomplishments of the nominated coach for what he or she has accomplished in that year, not in their history. We also wanted to tighten up who and how a nomination can happen. Last year the Coach Representatives were inundated with hundreds of emails from mainly swimmers and parents and their lengthy explanations why they should be nominated. This became very time consuming reading all the emails, though great to read how parents and swimmers feel about their coach's we felt it became more of a popularity contest rather than a true Coach of the Year nomination.

Please see the criteria and procedures for nominating a coach for Coach of the Year.

Senior Coach of the Year:

- Coach's Bio's will ONLY include the accomplishments from the 2010-11 SC season, 2011 LC season up until CT Seniors, and the 2010 Championship season for US Sectionals, US Open, Jr. and Sr. Nationals.
- Nominations may come from **Other coach's and Swimmers Only**.
- Nominations that come in should only say the <u>Coach's name and Team ONLY</u>. The Coach Representatives will then get the accomplishments from the nominated coach prior to the meet.
- One vote per USA certified coach at the CT Senior Championships
- No write in ballots.

Age Group Coach of the Year:

- Coach's Bio's will ONLY include the accomplishments from the 2010-11 SC season, 2011 LC season up until The LC CT Age Group Championships.
- Nominations may come from Other coach's and Swimmers Only.
- Nominations that come in should only say the <u>Coach's name and Team ONLY</u>. The Coach's representatives will then get the accomplishments from the Nominated coach prior to the meet.
- One vote per USA certified coach at the CT Senior Championships
- No write in ballots.

Respectfully Submitted, John Spadafina Senior Coach Representative