

CONNECTICUT SWIMMING, INC.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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2006-2007

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ACCOMPLISHMENTS AND GOALS

Accomplishments

- Significant utilization of electronic upload of information to SWIMS.
- Athlete Membership for 2006 of 4,540 and 55 clubs.

2007-2008 Goals

- Implemented background checks for coach non-athletes.
- Timely and accurate club transmission of athlete registrations and files.
- Transfers from club to club for swimmers with releases in timely manner.
- Electronic files submitted to registrar with check and paper sent the same date.
- Registrations submitted prior to meet entries to save office, registrar, and sponsoring team from meet week/weekend registration issues.

FINANCE

VICE-CHAIR

Jeff Scobee

Accomplishments

- Prepared a balanced budget for the 2007-2008 fiscal year.
- With investment manager, portfolio resulted in a positive returns for 2007.
- Implemented an Audit Committee.

2007-2008 Goals

- Review CSI's equipment and capital needs and make recommendations to the Finance Committee for the 2008-2009 budget.
- Ensure that the programs to support athletes, coaches and volunteers are adequately funded and serve to promote the sport of swimming.
- Continue to have maximum gains on investment portfolio through continued correspondence with investment manager and monitor closely each areas of the portfolio to maximum gains and minimize losses.
- Prepare a balanced annual budget for 2008-2009 CSI's operations and present the budget for approval by the Board of Directors and the House of Delegates.

FINANCE

Treasurer **Sue Lecza**

2006-2007 Accomplishments

- Worked with Nan Cooper to set up procedures for processing and collecting credit card payments.
- Prepared monthly financial statements for distribution at Board of Director's meetings.
- Filed all necessary tax returns on a timely basis.
- Ensured that all deposits were made timely, all invoices were paid when due, and bank accounts were reconciled in a timely manner.
- Currently working with auditors to complete the audit report.

2007-2008 Goals

- Streamline the process for accepting and processing credit card transactions.
- Work with independent auditor to prepare the August 31, 2007 audited financial statements.
- Make sure that all tax filings are made on a timely basis.
- Continue to keep CSI books and accounts accurately and timely.

Year September 1, 2006 – May 22, 2007

PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT DIVISION

AGE GROUP COMMITTEE

Peter Boucher

2006 – 2007 Accomplishments

- Conducted successful Short Course Age Group Championship meet with 1,060 swimmers competing.
- Sent team of 57 swimmers to SC Eastern Zone Championships. Three (3) new CT Resident Records were established during the meet.
- Held multiple age group camps during with more offerings for swimmers by ability. Held parent education sessions in conjunction with the camps.
- Recommended expansion of the 15 – 18 age group to include 19 yr old swimmers for the LC Age Group Championships
- Revised Zone registration process and updated Zone Policy.

2007 – 2008 Goals

- Review distance swimming offerings / needs of Age Group Swimmers
- Provide input to Program Operations for meet warm-up guidelines
- Expand parent education program.
- Hold multiple age group camps during 07-08 season.

Year September 1, 2006 - August 31, 2007

PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT DIVISION

SENIOR COMMITTEE

Henk Jansen

2006-2007 Goals and Achievements

- Ran very successful CT Short Course Seniors
- Increased athlete travel reimbursement for 2007-08 to \$21,800 and distributed \$15,435 for 2006. All requests were met.
- LC Senior Open Championship to a manageable timeline.
 - Presenting changes to Program Development
 - Starting finals earlier
 - Closing meet to out-of-state swimmers
 - Tightening yard cuts in some events
- Worked with camp coordinators on senior camps.
 - Committee met with Jen Lyman to approve CT OTC trip
- Coaches' Clinic with a guest speaker.
 - Apparently this falls under Coaches' Rep, but willing to help anyway we can

PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT DIVISION

TECHNICAL PLANNING COMMITTEE

Ellen Johnston

Goals:

To hold meetings as deemed necessary to discuss technical issues that may arise.

Program Operations Division
VICE-CHAIR
Barry Silver

Accomplishments October – May

- Scheduled ample long course meets for 2007 season and managed adjustments due to oversubscription and changes in pool and host club availability
- Revised and clarified Approved Meet policy in response to USA Swimming's initiative to conform rules across different leagues, in particular YMCA Swimming. This will allow member and non-member clubs more flexibility to offer varied opportunities to compete in CT for their swimmers.

Goals

- Provide supervision so that regular season and Championship meets are conducted in accordance with USA Swimming rules and CSI policies, posted Meet Announcements and high standards for the benefit of all swimmers.
- Develop new Warm-up policy for 2008 LC implementation. Solicit comments from meet hosts, Technical Planning, Safety and others, draft new proposal and bring to the Board for approval.
- Develop a standardized Meet Announcement to be managed by meet hosts and administrator online.
- Maintain constructive relations with Championship meet venues.
- Evaluate FAST Online Entries for non-championship meets.

Official's Committee Chair Mike Huffman

Accomplishments

- Scheduled and ran sufficient clinics to address the requirements for new officials and starters.
- We had 107 attendees at the various clinics held throughout the short course season. Out of that crop we now have 5 new referees, 13 new starters, 16 additional S+T officials, 19 officials in various stages of training and a large number of recertified officials. CSI currently has more officials than most of the other LSC's in the country.
- We had 2 officials work at the US Open in Indiana.
- We had 3 officials work at USA Swimming Spring Nationals in Long Island including one who was selected as a starter.
- Held our annual meeting last fall with JR Pooler, a long time national championship official as our guest speaker.
- From an officiating standpoint, held successful short course Age Group and Senior championships.

Goals

- Attend the 2007 USA Swimming Officials Chair Meeting.
- Continue to provide sufficient opportunities for new official training as well as providing re-certification clinics for current officials.
- Schedule our annual officials meeting prior to the start of the short course season.
- Ensure opportunities for national and national championship certification are made available to our CSI officials.
- Maximize the use of all educational opportunities provided by USA swimming for our Officials, coaches, and swimmers.
- Have discussed with 1 club the possibility of providing an official for an early season intra-squad meet. This official would be available to talk with the swimmers and parents, both prior to and during the meet to discuss the official's roles and responsibilities. This would be used as an educational tool for both newer swimmers and newer swim parents to give them an insight into our function at a meet. This process has been used at another LSC and was well received.