

CONNECTICUT SWIMMING, INC.
House of Delegates Meeting
Minutes
May 17, 2022
8:00 PM

Call to Order/Roll Call: General Chair, Rick Lewis called the meeting to order at 8 pm.

Board Members: Rick Lewis, Jeff Sargent, Lauren Lazar, Joan Lynch, Susan Leczka, Jen Lyman, Ronnie Vaughan, Dave Pite, Jason Paige, Bill Natlo, Jane Smith, Nick Cavataro, David Heller, David and Kathleen Mendonca, Greg Pinchbeck, Ellen Johnston, Dennis Flores, Sean Farrell, Brandon Foster, Peter Michalik

Absent Board Members: none

Approval of Agenda

MOTION made to adopt the Agenda as distributed.

Passed unanimously

Adoption of Minutes from 6/15/21

MOTION made to adopt the Minutes from June 15, 2021 House of Delegates meeting as distributed.

Passed unanimously

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

1. Congratulations:

- Junior Athlete Representative- Madison Winslow-(WYW),
- Junior Coach Representative- Rob Riccobon
- At-Large Athletes BOD members, Sam Enes-(BULL) and Andrew Berkowitz-(WRAT)

REPORTS OF OFFICERS, COMMITTEE CHAIRS AND COORDINATORS:

General Chair Report- Rick Lewis- nothing to report

Administrative Vice Chair- Jeff Sargent- Revising the by-laws. The number of committees that have failed to publish their meetings, meeting times, minutes and agendas. Failure to comply is a violation of the by-laws. It is not optional it is mandatory.

Treasurer- Susan Lecza- Financials through 4/30. September 1- August 31st - we are half way through. We have over one million dollars in the bank. Net profit is 147K as of April. Little revenue coming through second half of the year. Probably end the year with breaking even.

Age Group Committee Chair-Ronnie Vaughn- All meet details will be posted by end of the week on CT Swim. Age Groups will be held at UCONN. Regional meets will be posted as well.

Senior Committee Chair- Sean Farrell- Senior Championship meet is posted.

Technical Planning Committee Chair- Jason Paige- Sending out survey soon. For evaluation of SC Championship meets. And survey for running Championship meets out of CT.

Program Development- Jen Lyman- Working on meet announcements and surveys.

Officials Committee Chair- Dave Pite- Everything going well. Coordinating for Championship meet. Had some clinics. More officials on deck this weekend than in the past. Looking forward to the championship season. We have had many clinics.

Program Operations Chair- Yolanda Jahan- working on meet changes.

Coach Representatives- Bill Natlo- Congratulations to Rob Riccobon for winning the election. Coach of the year will be nominated at the end of LC season.

Athlete Representatives- Emily Fox and Sam Ennis- no report

Safe Sport Coordinator- Greg Pinchbeck- LSC 26% of the teams have safe sport. 15/57 teams. To get to the top 10 of LSC- need a lot more, 46% of LSC.

Coach-at-Large- Nick Cavataro-

Registration/Membership Coordinator- Kathleen/Davide Mendonca- nothing new to report

Zone Team Coordinator- Position still open. If you know a parent or coach interested let Rick know. Henk says some people have shown interest.

Diversity, Equity & Inclusion- Dennis Flores- Had a great time at National Diversity Camp. The athletes wrote letters about how they were affected by camp.

NEW BUSINESS:

• Presentation and Vote - 2022-2023 Budget - Joan Lynch- Income \$980 K, Expense \$1,080,000, Less than \$80K loss. It is a generous and conservative budget. Added additional resources for DEI. Added some expense for AG Championships.

***MOTION made to adopt the 2022-2023 budget as presented
Passed unanimously***

• Elections – Dave Heller-

**Slate of Nominees for 2022-2023 House of Delegates
Slate as proposed**

Rick Lewis - General Chair
Jeff Sargent - Administrative Vice Chair
Sue Lecza - Treasurer
Jen Lyman - Program Development Vice Chair
Nick Cavataro - Coach-at-Large
Lauren Lazar - Secretary
Sean Farrell - Senior Chair
Joan Lynch - Finance Vice Chair
Ronnie Vaughan - Age Group Chair

Any other nominations on the floor?

***MOTION made that the secretary cast one vote on behalf of the slate as nominated.
Passed unanimously***

• CT Swim Day at Lake Quassy – Dave Heller- Earlier this month discussion to host first ever CT Swim Day, Saturday, June 25th. It will be the same day as the CT Swimming Zone Open Championships which are 7am-10am. 11 am- amusement park will open to CT swimmers for the fun day. Have banquet facilities. Special rates for 13/O- \$45, 12/U- \$39. CT Swim will subsidize this fee so 13/O will be-\$25 and 12/U will be- \$20. 2 years and under is free. 12:30-3:30 pm- unlimited food/drinks. Parking will be free for all attendees. Amusement park will be open 11 am- 9 pm and the Water Park will be open

from 11 am- 6 pm. All attendees will have a wrist band. Online registration with a check in sheet that day. Hoping to pack the park with CT swimmers.

- New Registration process – Davide and Kathleen- In September the new registration process will be implemented- registrations done by individuals. Athletes over 16 years old can do it themselves. Will be done through USA portal. Deck Pass will be gone and being replaced by USA Swimming app. You have to create account on USA Swimming so that you can use the app. Eastern Zones- agreed that they wanted USA Swimming to collect fees as well rather than LSC level. Test site that registrars have been working on. Registration number goes to a unique ID. All became to pass because of safe sport. They can also do multiple registrations under one sign in.
- Eastern Zone Spring Meeting recap - Henk- LC Age Group Zones- August 3-6- in Ithaca. Lodging at the dorms. Senior Zones- August 4-7- University of Pittsburgh. Retreat idea at Colby College in Maine- each LSC will be able to pick 8 boys and 8 girls to send in June of 2023. Eastern Zone voted for \$5000 to put towards the retreat. The rough cost will be \$250/athlete. It will be a Thursday- Sunday retreat- in June 2023. Up to LSC on how they want to select the candidates. It will include a LC Swim meet, 3 meals/day, social activities, seminars. Have to be a sophomore or a rising Sophomore.
- 2022 Fall House of Delegates meeting date and location - Rick- usually at end of September early October. Will discuss dates at Board meeting next week.

HOV policy- Teams not on this call- are not able to run SC meets.

Teams not in attendance:

Wallingford Y, Fairfield, WRTS, FFLY, Litchfield, Lehigh, PSDY, MSC, IVY, Farmington,

***Motion to adjourn our 2022 Spring CT Swim House of Delegates meeting
Passed unanimously***

The next Board Meeting will be held on May 24th at 8 pm via Zoom

Meeting was adjourned at 8:54 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Lauren Lazar
Secretary