

DRAFT
CONNECTICUT SWIMMING, INC.
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
Marriott Courtyard Hotel – Shelton, CT
Saturday September 19, 2015
8:00 am

Call to Order/Roll Call: General Chair, Rick Lewis called the meeting to order at 8:07 am.

Present: Ed Doernberger, Randy Erlenbach, Susan Lecza, Mark Sedlak (arrived 8:15 am), Todd Gordon, David Heller, Rick Lewis, Kaeley Steinnagel Henk Jansen, Jim Robison, Nancy Wargo, Heather Flaherty, Lindsey Gordon Chuck Clark (arrived 8:30 am), Rick LaFrenierre.

Not present: Ellen Johnston, John Scaldini, Erin Ritz, Katie Cunningham, Rica Generosa, Brooke Hendee, Clayton Morikawa, Chris Hug.

Also present: Joan Lynch and Ginger McCurdy.

Agenda: Approved as printed and published.

Announcements: None.

Adoption of Minutes: Motion made and passed to approve the minutes from the April 7, 2015 Board of Directors Meeting as drafted.

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

Conflict of Interest Policy Statement Distributed and Signed by All in Attendance.

2015-2016 CSI Meeting Schedule Reviewed and Approved as Published to Date.

USA Swimming Mighty Mid LSC Workshop: Workshop being conducted on Saturday November 14, 2015 in Colorado Springs. General Chair Lewis solicited interest from any Board member who is interested in attending.

Volunteer of Year Committee Formed: Todd Gordon, David Heller, Rick Lewis and Kaeley Steinnagel were appointed to the Committee. Committee charged with selecting a Volunteer of the Year to be announced at the November 2015 CSI Awards Banquet.

Coach Education Grant Awards Announcement: Coach Representative John Scaldini to Announce Recipients during House of Delegates Meeting.

Athlete Travel Assistance Awards Announcement: \$30,000 budget existed for Athlete Travel for 2014-2015 season. Increased Funding budgeted for 2015-2016 due to increased travel expenses for Olympic Trials.

Swimmer of the Year Announcement: Award to be presented to Erin Early (HMST) at annual CSI Awards Banquet.

Deck Changing: Deck changing is a problem during CSI practices and meets. Policing of this Issue should not be the primary responsibility of Coaches and Officials. Coaches expected to educate parents. Deck changing is not permitted at practices or meets. No specific penalty specified at this time by either CSI or USA Swimming.

Officials Chairs at Swim Meets: Placement of Officials Chairs at Meets determined by venues and pool deck configurations.

Concussion Review: Athlete concussions are a major issue at the present time. See Handout. Coaches urged to review and discuss these issues with parents and swimmers. Concussion report should be completed for any head injury incidents that occur at a swim meet or practice.

Zone Team 2016 Long Course Anticipated Accommodation Expenses: Zone Coordinator Joan Lynch reported that 2015 LC Zone Meet conducted in Virginia and 2016 LC Zone Meet to be conducted in Long Island, New York. Discussion conducted regarding expenses for 2016 LC Zone Meet and if Zone Team swimmers should stay overnight on Saturday night. Anticipated \$10,000.00 additional expense for Saturday night lodging costs. Normally parents pay 60% of cost and CSI pays 40% or parents pay 65% and CSI pays 35% if costs involved with the Zone Meet were higher than usual. Motion to incur additional expense and fund Saturday night hotel stay for all swimmers was approved with only one no vote.

Officials Budget Variance Request: Revised budget projection document discussed. USA Swimming mandates continued training of officials. Large number of CSI officials now working at National level meets. In addition, annual CSI Officials Meeting involves certain expenses. After discussion, it was agreed to table any revisions to Officials Budget until Rick Lewis, Nancy Wargo and Sue Lecza can review 2016 budget and analyze and verify where certain officials' expenses are budgeted in the current budget

Speedo Contract Agreement with CSI: Todd Gordon reported that CT Swimming has entered into a contract with Speedo USA which has resulted in anticipated income to CT Swimming in the amount of \$30,000. Pursuant to the Contract Speedo to provide CSI swimmers and officials with shirts and uniforms and signage for CSI meets.

REPORTS OF OFFICERS

Officers reports were tabled and it was agreed to present Officer's Reports during the CSI September 19, 2015 HOD Meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 9:07 am.

Respectfully submitted,
David M. Heller
Secretary