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Connecticut Swimming
Program Development Meeting
Minutes of January 14, 2014
7:30 pm Teleconference Call

Attendance:

Present: Jeff Scobee, Randy Erlenbach, Dave Reilly, Jim Robison, Garret Mazzioti, Henk Jansen, Kaeley Steinnagel, Maddie Snow, Josh Furth

Absent: Matt Hurst, Coral McNary, Mark Kinne, Dave Laudati; Mark Sedlak

Call to Order

Meeting called to order @ 7:35 PM

Approval of Agenda

Agenda was reviewed and approved with the addition of LC information provided during the bid process (proposed by Dave Reilly)

Approval of Minutes

Motion *by Henk: Approve the minutes from the November 12, 2013 meeting of Program Development, seconded, no discussion, approved.*

Committee Reports

Senior Committee

Randy reported that the Senior Committee reviewed the Senior Invitational Meet (SIM) and the Senior Championship Meet (SCM) announcements and incorporated minor language revisions, updated the worker no show penalty amount, increased splash fees on the SIM and modified SCY standards for the SCM (draft copies were distributed). A discussion ensued around the changes. It was noted that the SIM is a bid meet and final adjustments will be made to reflect host and dates when available.

Motions *by Henk: Approve the 2014 Senior Invitational Meet Announcement and the 2014 Senior Championship Meet Announcement as proposed by the Senior Committee, seconded, approved.*

Randy also asked the committee for comment on changing the deadline for entries to the SCM this SC season to be extended from 9pm Sunday to noon on Monday in order to accommodate last minute qualifiers from Regional Championships – no issues or concerns were raised.

Randy also noted that the SR Committee would like to consider adding an invitational long course meet after sectionals if a date is available at Wesleyan – in order to provide extended opportunities for senior swimmers during the long course season. It was generally agreed by the committee that the idea was worthy of further investigation and discussion, accordingly it will be added to the agenda for the next Technical Planning meeting.

Age Group Committee

Dave Reilly reported that the Age Group Committee reviewed the SC Regional Championship Meet Announcement and made modifications for late qualifier procedures, warm-up schedules/procedures (draft copies were distributed)

Motion *by Randy: Approve the 2014 Age Group Regional Meet Announcement as proposed by the Age Group Committee, seconded, no discussion, approved.*

Dave shared late breaking information from Wesleyan that all weekends in July were now available for use by CT Swimming. While acknowledging the creative and diligent efforts from members of the AGC and others to identify alternatives, the traditional dates for championships would be preferred.

Motion *by Dave Reilly: Establish the 2014 Championship schedule as:*

- Senior Championships - July 10-13
- Regional Championships – July 18-20
- Age Group Championships – July 24-27

seconded, no further discussion, approved.

Technical Planning Committee
Henk noted that Technical Planning will be reviewing BOD questions on surcharge options and considering a senior circuit as well as the new item identified (above) by the senior committee in the upcoming meeting.

Diversity and Inclusion Committee

Dave Laudati, chair, was not available to attend this meeting. However, via email, he noted that the Diversity and Inclusion Committee would be meeting on January 29th and would be considering date alternatives for the statewide "Make a Splash" event. Possible dates April 27th, May 4th, May 11th. Expect more information after the meeting, but Dave would like to see multiple CT Swim teams involved and would appreciate help in spreading the word on the event.

Old Business

- Custom time procedures and standards review is tabled until a future meeting.

New Business

Dave Reilly initiated a general discussion on the challenges clubs face in planning meet entries when event/session information is not available until later in the season. Meets typically fill up quickly and often entries need to be submitted before session information is available. While submitting a finalized version of the meet announcement could be difficult for meet hosts – providing an initial session report to facilitate entry decisions would be reasonable. The committee agreed and asked Jim R as Program Operations to consider the addition of a step in the bid process to include a session report for each bid, which would be made available on-line along with the meet schedule. Jim was in general agreement with the request and agreed to take the action item to consider modification of the process.

Announcements

Kailey noted that consideration was being given to the structure of the open forum at the House of Delegates meeting and would appreciate any suggestions from committee members to make the dialog as effective as possible.

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn, second, motion approved for adjournment at 8:35 PM.

Minutes respectfully Submitted by Jeff Scobee, Chair