

**CONNECTICUT SWIMMING, INC.**  
**Technical Planning Committee**  
**Notes- Teleconference**  
**May 9, 2012**

Present: Kaeley Steinnagel, Mark Newcombe, Rob Bouchey, Ellen Johnson

Not Present: Tim Dion, Mike Ferraro, Dan Zeek, Henk Jansen, Sean Farrell, Omar Cruz

Kaeley Steinnagel called the meeting to order at 7:48 PM.

**APPROVAL of AGENDA**

- No quorum

**APPROVAL of MINUTES (December)**

- No quorum

**ANNOUNCEMENTS AND REPORTS**

We held the conference call and had a discussion about the items below. It was decided that the information would be passed on to all members of Technical Planning to read and give input. Kaeley would like to be able to present the thoughts of Technical Planning on the items below at the House of Delegates on May 15<sup>th</sup> so she is asking for responses by Monday, May 14<sup>th</sup>.

**OLD BUSINESS**

- CT Swimming Schedule (4 year plan)
  - Technical Planning would like to present a “skeleton” format to be built up over the next four years (THIS IS FOR THE SC SEASON).
    - 2012-1013: Select one weekend in the meet schedule for “specific” meet to address our SENIOR level swimmers. This weekend would be selected and the meet format would be established by Senior Committee.
    - 2013-2014: Select two weekends in the meet schedule for “specific” meets to address our SENIOR level swimmers. This weekend would be selected and the meet format would be established by Senior Committee. In addition select one weekend in the meet schedule for “specific” meet to address our upper level AGE GROUP level swimmers (14 and under). This weekend would be selected and the meet format would be established by Age Group Committee.
    - 2014-2015: Maintain meets from previous year adding/subtracting anything deemed necessary.
    - 2015-1016: Make the SENIOR level “specific” weekends LCM meets in order to give swimmers the opportunity in state to qualify for Olympic Trials. This is being done on the assumption that CT Senior Championships will be in LCM for the Olympic year. Maintain the “specific” meet for the AGE GROUP swimmers.
- HOD (How to get more people involved)

- Discussion about raising the fees for teams to be members of CT Swimming. If teams attend the HOD meets (there are two a year) they get reimbursed a portion of the fees.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

- Best use of monies for CT Swimming
  - Discussion around creating a proposal to first address surcharges for host teams. Technical Planning would like to see surcharges lowered (example- 15% for SC meets and 10% for LC meets). With the fact that our numbers will most likely go up due to the Olympic year we feel now is the time to look at this. It would also allow the following:
    - Team who do not usually host meets due to high pool rental costs TO host meet since they will be saving on surcharges.
    - Availability of more meets, hopefully distributed around the state.
    - Teams to NOT raise the prices of meet entries in order to fund meets.
  - We believe the above topic should be address first before other ideas are proposed.
  - This idea will be put on the table to Program Development

Adjourned: 8:50 PM

Submitted by: Kaeley Steinnagel