

# CSCAA Board of Directors

## Meeting Minutes - May 7, 2023

Meeting took place at 2023 CSCAA Annual Meetings in Orlando, FL

**The following individuals were present:**

Mandy Commons-DiSalle (President), Cincinnati  
Clark Campbell (Past President), Kansas  
Arthur Albiero (President-Elect), Louisville  
Matthew Barany (Treasurer), Richmond  
Matt Crispino (Secretary), Princeton  
Brad Boswell, Appalachian State  
Teresa Fish, Illinois Wesleyan  
Jeanne Fleck, Fresno State  
Katie Kasprzak, Pittsburgh

Andrew Makepeace, Findlay

Steve Schafer, Grand Canyon  
Brad Shively, Washington University  
Eric Skelly, Cumberland  
Tom Stebbins, UCLA  
Heidi Voight, Northern Michigan  
Samantha Barany, CSCAA Staff  
Paul Barrett, CSCAA Accountant

**The following individuals were absent:**

Jeff Poppell, South Carolina

The meeting was called to order by Samantha Barany at 12:39pm eastern time.

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## Topics

1. **Roll call and Introduction**

Samantha Barany welcomed the group and expressed gratitude for their support in her first year as Executive Director.

2. **Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes.**

*A motion was made to approve minutes from March 29, 2023; the motion passed unanimously.*

3. **Budget Update** –

Matt Barany and Paul Barrett reviewed the financial state of the organization. A balance sheet and most recent P&L were included in the meeting materials.

- Operationally, the CSCAA has transitioned to a new staff this year; it has taken some time, money, and energy to fully execute that transition.
- USA Swimming reduced its grant in February of 2022. Despite that, revenue still looks good.
- Travel is up, which is expected given the easing of the pandemic.
- Memberships are up, which is a good sign that we are properly serving our members.
- Relationships between the CSCAA and our NGB and the NCAA are also very positive

4. **Membership and Partnership Review**

- Samantha Barany reported that memberships are up (548 this year vs. 539 last). These are the highest numbers since before COVID.
- 2023-24 will be the second year of a two-year membership fee increase; these rates are consistent with peer organizations. As the cost of business continues to rise, this added revenue will be critical.
- With the mention of partnerships, fundraising, and corporate dollars, the Board delved deeply into the topic of finding our “ideal collegiate calendar.” It was noted that if we desire to move the championship dates for Division I, now is the time to express that as an organization.

- Jeanne Fleck made a motion that was seconded:  
***The CSCAA Board supports moving the NCAA Division I Swimming & Diving Championships to a date following the conclusion of the NCAA Basketball Tournament.***  
***Passed: 15 yes, 0 no, 1 abstention.***

## 5. **Events Review**

- **Open Water:** CSCAA doubled participation in 2022, in part due to the date and location change. The same site is secured for 2023. The goal is to continue to build, increase participation, and find a corporate partner.
  - CSCAA will work with the USOPC to explore Open Water Swimming as a possible NCAA “emerging sport,”
- **NIC:** The NIC experienced 25% increase in numbers. There were nearly 900 student-athletes in Elkhart. 2024’s NIC is in Ocala and will provide more water and deck space.

## 6. **Major Award Review**

Samantha Barany listed the major award winners that would be honored at the awards banquet on Monday night. It was noted major awards are a great way to encourage some coaches to attend who otherwise might not. She encouraged the Board to keep educating the membership on what these awards mean so that we can have a healthy pool of nominees to select from in the future.

## 7. **Division III Hall of Fame**

The DIII HoF will be on line in Fall 2023. The first announcement will go out in August at the direction of the DIII HoF Committee. The formation of this entity will be announced at Annual Meetings this year. Thanks to Brad Shively and Teresa Fish for spearheading the project.

## 8. **Coach and Athlete of the Year**

Samantha reminded everyone that from a branding perspective, these are CSCAA Awards, not NCAA.

## 9. **NCAA Legislation**

Samantha led a discussion with the Board about legislation that has passed as well as other possible legislation that could be forthcoming. Topics included:

- Division I recruiting calendar.
- Sport Management Committees.
- Olympic Trials practice waiver for 2024
- It was brought up that changing to unlimited visits for Division I is a dangerous rule change that will result in increased cost and increased burden on the student-athlete hosts.

## 10. **Annual Meetings**

The coming days were previewed for the CSCAA board member.

## 11. **Community texting app**

A QR code was distributed around the meeting to make sure every Board member was in the community texting app and in the correct cohort (head coach, assistant coach, division, etc).

## 12. **CSCAA Internal Operations**

Samantha reviewed several items related to Board work and personnel over the coming year.

- CSCAA Bylaws Review
- New DI Men's Board Rep
- CSCAA Staff Changes
- Further discussion of subcommittee work ensued. The subcommittees that will be convened in the next 12 months are: Open Water Championship, Annual Meetings, Bylaw Review, NIC, Coach/Athlete of the Year Awards
- Heidi Voigt's third term on the Board is up and will be leaving after six years. Heidi was thanked for her outstanding service to the CSCAA. Her replacement on the Board, Jimmy Tierney, will take his chair at our May 9 Board meeting.
- Steve Schafer also officially joins the Board on Tuesday as our new at-large rep.

## 13. **Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned by Samantha Barany at 4:15 PM.

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Jimmy Tierney, McKendree  
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Paul Barrett, CSCAA Accountant  
Maureen Palchak, CSCAA Staff

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#### Topics

#### 1. **Roll Call and Introduction**

Executive Director Samantha Barany called the meeting to order at 12:48. She introduced the two newest Board members who were present at the meeting - Steve Schaffer from Grand Canyon University and Jimmy Tierney from McKendree University

#### 2. **Board Responsibilities**

Samantha Barany reiterated the overall expectations of the CSCAA Board members.

#### 3. **Board and CSCAA Staff Updates**

#### 4. **Subcommittee Work**

Samantha Barany expressed a desire to form a variety of specialized subcommittees to assist the staff in a few areas. The first two she hopes to tackle are:

- Bylaw Updates Subcommittee - will take a close look at our bylaws and suggest changes/amendments with the goal of having them updated and ready for approval by fall 2023.
- Awards Subcommittee - this group will deal specifically with issues related to athlete and coach of the year awards. The goal is to create a standard operating procedure for selecting and announcing winners.
- There will be additional subcommittees convened in the fall.

**5. Feedback from Annual Meetings**

Samantha Barany opened it up for conversation surrounding the current Annual Meetings.

**6. Future Meet Dates**

Samantha reviewed future meeting dates and will send out calendar invites in the coming weeks.

- Wednesday July 19, 2023 at 1:00 PM eastern via zoom
- Wednesday September 20, 2023 at 1:00 PM eastern via zoom
- Wednesday November 29, 2023 at 1:00 PM eastern via zoom
- Wednesday January 24, 2024 at 1:00 PM eastern via zoom
- Wednesday March 27, 2024 at 1:00 PM eastern via zoom
- Sunday May 5, 2024 at 12:00 PM eastern (in-person at Indianapolis Annual Meetings)

**7. Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 1:26 PM