101 UTSI Awards

Policy Overview.

This policy names UTSI awards given, and gives details regarding the awards and their selection process.

Purpose.

The purpose is to outline the eligibility rules, regulations, selection and awarding process for all awards which are sponsored by the LSC.

Definitions.

UTSI: Utah Swimming, Inc.

Member: A currently registered member of Utah Swimming, Inc. and of USA Swimming. Can include both Athlete Member and Non-Athlete Member.

ASCA: American Swimming Coaches’ Association

Body.

1. USA Swimming Conoco Phillips Outstanding Service Award

   a. Purpose of this Award: The ConocoPhillips Outstanding Service Award was established in 1981 to recognize volunteers for their invaluable contribution to USA Swimming. The award, sponsored by ConocoPhillips, is presented annually to an honoree named by each of the fifty-nine Local Swimming Committees. Selection criteria consider quality, level and years of volunteer service in elected or appointed positions from the category of administrator, official, and coach. ConocoPhillips Outstanding Service Award is presented annually to the Utah Swimming non-athlete volunteer, who has distinguished themselves in the past years through service in the LSC.

   b. Eligibility: Non-athlete volunteer serving in Utah Swimming.

   c. Who Nominates: Candidates for this award are nominated by any member of Utah Swimming. The General Chair with advice and consent of board can use a selection committee to review applicants for the purpose of making a selection recommendation to the board. Nominations and personal biographies are due two weeks before fall HOD.

   d. Criteria for Selection: The nominee will be selected as to their involvement with their own team while supporting other teams and the mission of Utah Swimming. The award is voted on by each team and active previous award recipients. The award is presented at the annual UTSI Awards Banquet, held during the fall of each year.
e. Nomination Process: Any member from Utah Swimming may submit one nomination for the ConocoPhillips Outstanding Service Award.

f. Selection Process: Selection is made by the members of the House of Delegates by email vote. In the event a selection is not made by the members of the House of Delegates, The General Chair, with the approval of the Board, may appoint the nominating committee to handle the selection.

g. Presentation of the Award: Recognition of this award will take place at the UTSI Awards Banquet. The recipient will receive a permanent award to keep.

2. Senior Coach of the Year

a. Purpose of this Award: The Senior Coach of the Year award is presented to the outstanding Senior Coach.

b. Eligibility: To be eligible a coach must be a current coach member of UTSI and have been a member of UTSI for the award year. A coach may not win the Senior Coach of the Year Award for more than two consecutive years and is not eligible for the Age Group Coach of the Year Award in the same year.

c. Who Nominates: Candidates for this award are nominated by any member of Utah Swimming. The General Chair with advice and consent of board can use a selection committee to review applicants for the purpose of making a selection recommendation to the board.

d. Criteria for Selection: 1) Team placement at major meets; (2) Individual qualifications and/or placement at major meets; and (3) Jumps in rankings for team or individuals during the previous year.

e. Nomination Process: Nominations and personal biographies shall be submitted to the Administrative Vice Chair and Senior Chair two weeks prior to the LC State Championships and distributed to the coaching membership present.

f. Selection Process: Ballots will be given to each credentialed coach present at LC State Championships.

g. Presentation of the Award: Recognition of this award will take place at the UTSI Awards Banquet.

h. Enrichment Amount: This award will include up to $500 to be used for the ASCA Convention, USA Swimming Coaches Training Programs or other training aids/programs (i.e. books, team training equipment, online classes) as approved by the Board of Directors. Reimbursement forms will need to be submitted to the UTSI Treasurer in order to receive funds. This award must be used within one year of election.
3. **Age Group Coach of the Year**

   a. **Purpose of this Award:** The Age Group Coach of the Year award is presented to the outstanding UTSI Age Group coach.

   b. **Eligibility:** To be eligible a coach must be a current coach member of UTSI and have been a member of UTSI for the award year. A coach may not win the Age Group Coach of the Year Award for more than two consecutive years and is not eligible for the Senior Coach of the Year Award in the same year.

   c. **Who Nominates:** Candidates for this award are nominated by any member of Utah Swimming. The General Chair with advice and consent of board can use a selection committee to review applicants for the purpose of making a selection recommendation to the board.

   d. **Criteria for Selection:** To be developed further by coach committee.

   e. **Nomination Process:** Nominations and personal biographies shall be submitted to the Administrative Vice Chair and Senior Chair two weeks prior to the LC State Championships and distributed to the coaching membership present.

   f. **Selection Process:** Ballots will be provided to each credentialed coach present at LC State Championships.

   g. **Presentation of the Award:** Recognition of this award will take place at the UTSI Awards Banquet.

   h. **Enrichment Amount:** This award will include up to $500 to be used for the ASCA Convention, USA Swimming Coaches Training Programs or other training aids/programs (i.e. books, team training equipment, online classes) as approved by the Board of Directors. Reimbursement forms will need to be submitted to the UTSI Treasurer in order to receive funds. This award must be used within one year of election.

4. **Swimmer of the Year Award**

   a. **Purpose:** This award is presented to the outstanding Male and Female swimmer of Utah Swimming.

   b. **Eligibility:** Must be a year-round athlete member of UTSI and have been a member of UTSI for the award year. Swimmer must have at least a current Winter Jr. National cut.

   c. **Nomination Process:** Candidates for this award are nominated by any coach member of Utah Swimming.

   d. **Criteria for Selection:** Selection is based on the athlete’s performance from September 1st to August 31st. National Rankings, Records Held, and Coach’s Nomination.
e. Selection Process: Selection will be by coaches who are registered members of UTSI. One male swimmer and one female swimmer will be selected each year at the conclusion of the Long Course season.

f. Recognition of Award: Award will be presented at the UTSI Awards Banquet by the Senior Chair if in attendance or by any other coach Board of Director Member present at the banquet. The recipient will receive a permanent award to keep.

5. IMX Swimmer of the Year

a. Purpose: This award is presented to the highest IMX score in an ages 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, and 14 classifications for both Short Course and Long Course seasons.

b. Eligibility: The swimmer must be a registered member of Utah Swimming. No swimmer may win an award in more than one age classification. If a swimmer has the highest ranking IMX in multiple age classifications, the award will be presented to them in the eldest division.

c. Criteria for Selection: One award will be presented to each male and female in the following age classifications: 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, and 14. Short Course results will be tabulated at the conclusion of the Age Group Championship Meet. Long Course results will be tabulated at the conclusion of the State Long Course Championship Meet for all classifications (9, 10, 11, 12, 13, and 14).

d. Recognition of Award: Award will be presented at the UTSI Awards Banquet by the Age Group Chair if in attendance or by any other coach Board of Director Member present at the banquet. The recipient will receive a permanent award to keep.

6. Carolyn Burt Official of the Year Award

a. Purpose: This award is presented to the official that has demonstrated continued dedication to officiating for Utah Swimming.

b. Eligibility: To be eligible the individual must be a current official of UTSI and have been a member of UTSI for the award year. This award may not be presented to any official for more than two consecutive years.

c. Nomination Process: Nominations are requested from officials, teams, and the Utah Swimming Community at large.

d. Criteria for Selection: Selection is based on but not limited to: (1) years of service to Utah Swimming (2) level of officiating, and commitment to officiating education.

e. Selection Process: Selection will be by the Utah Swimming Officials Committee.
f. Recognition of Award: Award will be presented at the UTSI Awards Banquet by the Officials Committee Chair if in attendance or the General Chair at the banquet. The recipient will receive a permanent award to keep.

7. Volunteer of the Year Award

a. Purpose: This award is presented to the volunteer that has demonstrated continued dedication to Utah Swimming.

b. Eligibility: Non-athlete volunteer serving in Utah Swimming. This award may not be presented to any volunteer for more than two consecutive years.

c. Who Nominates: Candidates for this award are nominated by any board member of Utah Swimming. The General Chair with advice and consent of board can use a selection committee to review applicants for the purpose of making a selection recommendation to the board.

d. Criteria for Selection: The nominee will be selected as to their quality, level, and years of service in elected or appointed positions from the categories of meet volunteer, administrator, official and/or coach. The nominee should be involved with helping his/own team while supporting other teams and the mission of Utah Swimming.

e. Nomination Process: Members of Utah Swimming board may submit one nomination for the annual Utah Swimming Volunteer of the Year.

f. Recognition of Award: Award will be presented at the UTSI Awards Banquet by the General Chair at the banquet. The recipient will receive a permanent award to keep.

8. Lifetime Achievement Award

a. Purpose: This award is presented to the volunteer, official, coach, employee, or swimmer that has demonstrated outstanding achievements and continued dedication to Utah Swimming.

b. Eligibility: To be eligible the recipient must be a long-time member of Utah Swimming (minimum of 10 years). During recipients’ tenure he/she must have held or currently holds a position in at least one of the following areas of leadership within Utah Swimming: Board of Director member or Committee Member.

c. Who Nominates: Candidates for this award are nominated by any member of Utah Swimming. The General Chair with advice and consent of board can use a selection committee to review applicants for the purpose of making a selection recommendation to the board to the House of Delegates for voting.

d. Criteria for Selection: The nominee will be selected as to involvement with their own team while supporting other teams and the mission of Utah Swimming.
e. Selection Process: The award is voted on by members of House of Delegates and active previous award recipients. More than one award may be presented in a single year, but in the event that there are no qualified nominations, the award is not presented.

f. Recognition of this award: ward will be presented at the UTSI Awards Banquet by the General Chair at the banquet. The recipient will receive a permanent award to keep.

Notification.

The Administrative Vice-Chair of the Board of Directors will be in charge of timely Calls for Nominations. This duty, for some or all awards, may be delegated to other members of the Board.

Dissemination.

Calls for Nomination will be emailed to pertinent members of UTSI by the Club Liason of the Board of Directors after receiving them from the Administrative Vice-Chair.

| Change Log |
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| Version | Date | Description of Change/Section(s) | Author or Editor | Authority |
| 2 | 12/12/2017 | Swimmer of the Year selection time moved to end of the long course season/ Swimmer of the Year | Lorinne Morris | BOD |
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