

Committee Name:	Board of Directors	Session #:	Report #:
Committee Chair:	Nadine Day	Vice Chair:	n/a
Minutes recorded by:	C.J. Rushman	Date/time of meeting:	05/06/2013 at 8:30 pm EDT

Motions Passed:

1. None.

Number of committee members present: 22	Absent: 6	Number of other delegates present: 0
<p>Committee members present: Nadine Day – President; called the meeting to order at 8:30 p.m. EDT. Also present were: C.J. Rushman –Secretary, Dave Diehl-VP of Programs, Michael Heather -VP of Administration, Jody Smith-VP of Community Services, Ed Tsuzuki- VP of Local Operations, Ralph Davis- Treasurer, Patty Miller- Legal Counsel, At-Large Directors; Chris McGiffin (Colonies), Phil Dodson (Great Lakes), Bruce Hopson (Breadbasket Zone), Maria Elias Williams (Dixie), Hugh Moore (Northwest), Jim Clemmons (Oceana), Phil Whitten (Southwest Zone), Jill Gellatly (South Central), Jeff Gudman – USA Swimming Liaison to USMS, Executive Director - Rob Butcher; Past-Presidents, Jim Miller, Nancy Ridout, Rob Copeland, and Ted Haartz.</p> <p>Not present: Past Presidents: Tom Boak, Dan Gruender, Mike Laux and June Krauser. Mel Goldstein is recused from BOD due to contractor position with USMS. Jeff Moxie –Immediate Past President has been granted temporary leave from the Board.</p>		

The meeting was called to order at 8:32 PM EDT.

1. Officers Report’s – See attached appendix.
2. National Office Report: Development of the club and membership registration system is progressing with an October 1 launch for club registration and renewals. We will be implementing recommendations from the Membership Task force into the registration system. Membership is pacing 3.5% ahead of same date in 2012. Currently more than 1,700 registrations for the Pan Am Masters Championship.
3. Governance Committee Update. There is no action currently required of the board. Topic about standardizing quorums as policy for committee meetings. Of interest to the board is that the Governance Committee is working on resources and training for improving areas of weakness revealed by last year’s BOD surveys. Over the next few months we will also be discussing purpose/use of convention delegates, reviewing our current committee descriptions, and considering what USMS might look like if it was organized from scratch today. Meeting minutes for March 3rd and April 7th are posted on the USMS website.
4. IT Liaison Update-Club Fees: Rob B shared clubs will be able charge a registration fee to members in the new registration program. Chris shared the metrics for the registration program will be provided to the Compensation and Benefits Committee.
5. FINA Masters Rules Clarification Update. Discussion regarding any meets held on or following the effective date of this proposed rule (60 days after 7/25) must comply with the interpretation of club membership including all meet participants must belong to a club. Since our Long Course year ends on 9/30, we must plan to deal with this issue by September 25th. Jim Miller made the recommendation that USMS submit legislation prior to the meeting in Barcelona, Spain. Discussion ensued regarding the status of unattached swimmers.
6. Nadine reported that an over budget request will be made to the Controller in the amount of \$3,000 for Mel Goldstein to attend the FINA Masters Technical Congress in Barcelona, as a delegate from the United States.
7. Discussion regarding the Social Media Policy and should it be extended beyond the BOD to the Committees and LMSCs. Motion to table the discussion regarding the extension of the Social Media Policy until an update is provided.
8. Long Distance committee update – Canceled the 9+ mile Open Water National Championship. The host is unable to comply with the new safety guidelines. Discussions during the LDC call that escort events are having a difficult time in complying with the safety guidelines.
9. The Board goes into Execution Session to discuss a personnel matter at 9:35 pm EDT. The Board comes out of Execution Session at 9:53 pm EDT.
10. Rob B said that the National Office is polling LMSCs to find out what they are charging for pool sanctions and pool recognitions.
11. 2013 Convention update – USAS is mandating that USMS utilize the hotel for food and beverage services.
12. At Spring Nationals, there is a special demonstration swim being provided by Jason Lezak and Emily Silver as part of a USMS promotional video.
13. The Board goes into Execution Session to discuss a personnel matter at 10:12 pm EDT. The Board comes out of Execution Session at 10:33 pm EDT.

The next Board of Directors call will be June 24th at 8:30 pm EDT. The meeting was adjourned at 10:34 PM EDT.