USMS Convention—Atlanta, Ga. 2008

Committee Name: Championship Session 1 Report: 18

Chair: Mark Moore Vice Chair: Jeff Roddin

Minutes recorded by: Lisa Watson Date/time of meeting: Sept 25, 2008

Action Items:

1. MSA TO ACCEPT LOGO AND AWARDS FOR SC NATIONALS 09 IN CLOVIS.

- 2. MSA TO APPROVE ORDER OF EVENTS FOR 5 DAY FORMAT AT LC NATIONALS 09 IN INDIANAPOLIS.
- 3. MSA TO APPROVE LOGO AND AWARDS FOR INDIANAPOLIS.
- 4. MSA TO USE THE FOLLOWING NQTS FOR SC NATIONALS 09: 15% ABOVE 3 YEAR AVERAGE FOR TOP TEN 10^{TH} PLACE FOR 50 AND 100YD EVENTS, AND 10% ABOVE THAT AVERAGE FOR EVENTS 200 YDS AND ABOVE
- 5. MSA TO CERTIFY THE ATLANTA BID FOR SC NATIONALS IN 2010.
- 6. MSA TO CERTIFY THE SAN JUAN BID FOR LC NATIONALS IN 2010.

Number of committee members present: 19 Absent: 1 Number of Other Delegates: 52

Committee members present (list all, including chair and vice chair): Lisa Watson, Lisa Dahl, Robin Segnitz, Hugh Moore, Diane Stovall, Debbie Cavanaugh, Tom Boak, Jack Groselle, Michael Moore, Jeff Roddin, Barb Protzman, Jody Smith, Sandi Rousseau, Barry Fasbender, Jane Moore (ex-officio), Jim Matysek (ex-officio), Erroll Graham, Jill Gellatly, and Mark Moore (chair).

Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 2:15 PM

1. REVIEW OF 2008 SC AND LC MEETS.

Carolyn Boak reported as liaison for SC Nationals at Austin. She commended them on their great volunteer staff and having a very well run meet. The Austin organization was able to make a sizeable profit. Barry Fasbender spoke as liaison for LC Nationals at Mt Hood, also commending the host team on their volunteers and efficiency. Co-meet directors Dennis Baker and Brandon Drawz also addressed the committee, and said the meet was profitable for them as well. Concerns were addressed from the audience regarding the lack of warm up space and crowded conditions. Some suggestions included requiring NQTs for all the longer events, or staggering 15 minute sessions of warmup alternating men and women to ease crowding. Another concern was that the ambulance on site actually left the premises a few times. Brandon said that this situation was quickly corrected.

Jeff Roddin reported the results from the poll of the Championship Committee for predicting number of entries for Mt Hood. Erroll Graham made the closest prediction to the 1130 actual entries, and will receive a fabulous key ring from Arizona.

2. 2009 NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

The Clovis Meet Director addressed the committee regarding Clovis SC Nationals With 2 long course pools available, Clovis will be able to run 3 courses for the distance events. It will be a challenge to recruit more timers, but they are confident they will be able to. The meet referee has already been identified. Shade will be provided by tents covering the grandstands, with plenty of room for swimmers to put up pop-up tents and an ample covered area between the pools. There will be an Open Water event on Monday following the meet. **MSA TO ACCEPT LOGO AND AWARDS FOR SC NATIONALS 09 IN CLOVIS.**

Indianapolis Meet Director Chris Hutchens addressed the committee. Indianapolis proposes a 5 day format, which includes a relay only day on Saturday. Dates are August 6-10. Mel Goldstein stated that proceeds from the meet will go to building a Splash pad for kids at the local YMCA. There will be no shuttles, but there are many hotels within walking distance of the pool. Reservations must be made by Feb 1 to secure a room at one of these nearby hotels. MSA TO ACCEPT THE ORDER OF EVENTS FOR 5 DAY FORMAT AT LC NATIONALS 09 IN INDIANAPOLIS. MSA TO APPROVE LOGO AND AWARDS FOR INDIANAPOLIS.

2009 NQTS

Jeff Roddin did a comparison between Federal Way SC Nationals 2007 which used NQTS of 15% above the 3 year average of 10th place Top Ten for 50 and 100 yd events, and Austin 08, which used 10% above the average for all events. He reported that the method used by Austin did save time, while the Federal Way method allowed for more swimmers to compete in the shorter events. MSA TO USE THE FOLLOWING NQTS FOR SC NATIONALS 09: 15% ABOVE 3 YEAR AVERAGE FOR TOP TEN TENTH PLACE FOR 50 AND 100 YARD EVENTS, AND 10% ABOVE THAT AVERAGE FOR EVENTS 200 YARDS AND ABOVE.

4. 2010 BID REVIEW

SC- Ed Saltzman presented the bid for SC Nationals 2010 in Atlanta at the Georgia Tech Olympic facility. There were some concerns about having access only to an 8 lane warm up pool and questions regarding medical coverage. The committee praised Ed for a very thorough bid proposal. He also answered questions regarding certification of pool length. MSA TO CERTIFY THE ATLANTA BID FOR SC NATIONALS IN 2010.

LC- Mark Gill presented the bid for San Juan. He said there will be 2 ambulances on site during the meet. The meet will be sanctioned by Puerto Rico. Regarding insurance coverage, there will be a 1 event policy to provide the level of coverage that is needed. Profits will go to the Puerto Rico Masters team and also back to the USMS Foundation. Dates are August 9-12, which are Monday-Thursday, to allow swimmers to vacation in the area throughout the weekend. The committee members discussed as to whether this meet could be certified, since it is outside the United States. It was noted that the rule book states that any "club, LMSC, or organization" may submit a bid, so this would qualify. It was also noted that this was our only LC bid and a wonderful opportunity for swimmers to swim in a great facility in an exotic location. MSA TO CERTIFY THE SAN JUAN BID FOR LC NATIONALS IN 2010.

5. 2111 PAN AMERICAN CHAMPIONSHIPS

Tom Boak addressed the committee to announce that Ft Lauderdale is preparing a bid for the 2111 Pan American Championships in August, and should they win the bid, are proposing that USMS not host a LC Nationals that same year.

6. RULES

There was no time left to discuss the remaining agenda items, so Mark suggested that our committee continue this meeting immediately following the Championship bids to the House of Delegates tomorrow afternoon. Therefore, we will continue this agenda at 5:45 PM on Friday.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:50 PM.