

<b>Committee Name:</b>	Executive Committee	<b>Session #:</b>	<b>Report #:</b>	1
<b>Committee Chair:</b>	Nadine Day	<b>Vice Chair:</b>		
<b>Minutes recorded by:</b>	Chris Colburn	<b>Date/time of meeting:</b>	May 5, 2014 8:00pm EDT	

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## Motions Passed:

None.

**Number of committee members present: 8**

**Absent: 2**

**Committee members present (list all, including chair and vice chair):** Nadine Day - President called the meeting to order at 8:04 PM EDT. Also present were: Ed Tsuzuki - VP of Administration; Chris Stevenson - VP of Local Operations; Jody Smith -VP of Community Services; Chris Colburn – Secretary; Phil Dodson – Treasurer; Jeff Moxie – Past President; Patty Miller - Legal Counsel.

Not present: Chris McGiffin - VP of Programs; Rob Butcher – Executive Director.

Audience Members: none

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## Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 8:04 PM EDT.

1. Nadine wanted to summarize her time at the Nationwide USMS Short Course Nationals. It was the second largest nationals in terms of attendance and was well run. Nadine commended the Championship Committee for their dedication. They did a great job mentoring their liaisons, Sandi Rousseau and Jim Clemmons. The Championship Committee will be evaluating their policy for awarding recognized coaches at national championships with hospitality passes. Club Coaches would like email notifications when a swimmer registers for Nationals. Jim Matysek is aware of that. There was some discussion with respect to deadline issues. At the committee level, there will be discussions about alternatives to the current 35-day deadline. The Championship Committee didn't vote on any issues because only 10 of the members were present. Over 500 swimmers registered on the day of the deadline. The one complaint expressed at this meet was that places and DQs were not indicated on the scoreboard, and many swimmers didn't know until the results were posted/released. The Rules Committee will discuss one issue, an injury in the diving well (someone got a black eye). Someone jumped over the lane lines at the side of the pool three times against the advice of the safety monitor and the lifeguard without any sanction. On-Deck Coaching was phenomenal. There were changes throughout the meet to accommodate the number of swimmers in the meet. One safety issue dealt with one-way sprints with a turn (should only be a touch). A lot of collisions would have happened if the coaches hadn't been on top of it. It's a Rules year, so the Rules Committee will be addressing these issues this year. One note Championships wanted to reiterate was that results aren't final until they're posted. The issue related to Nathan Adrian's official time dealt with the delay on the timing systems. The issue arose because his inaccurate swim was reported before the final results were released. Discussion centered around accountability for the timing system. Jody mentioned that it might be a good exercise for the meet hosts to have better plans to communicate chains of communication and response. Nadine continued that Kathy Casey attended the officials' meetings. It was educational and informative for the officials. Officials came from as far as Florida to help with the meet. Sports Medicine and Science had a booth with skin care products. They also brought in a physician for skin cancer screenings, and also brought skin care products to the officials' area. Nadine wanted to applaud Heide Greenough and Marcia Anziano for their work. Finally, Hill Carrow won the Ransom Arthur Award. He was presented with his award at practice in NC the week before the meet since he was not attending Nationals.
  2. Ed mentioned that there's a Registration Committee meeting on Wednesday (5/7) to discuss the proposed 4+12 month membership. Nadine asked Phil and Jeff a question related to the jurisdiction of this proposal, and how it was decided that there was no Finance Committee responsibility on the issue, since there is a tie-in with the fees that LMSCs charge. Jeff mentioned that it's not clear what, if anything, the Finance Committee is being asked about the issue. Until decisions are made on what those fees should look like, there was a determination that the Finance Committee should not discuss the issue. A proposed timeline is included in the proposal. Nadine asked that the value proposition be communicated in the report.
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3. Nadine thanked Chris Stevenson for his report to the Board, posted on the Board discussion forum. Chris Stevenson asked the committees about issues they can work more closely with the National Office on. The Fitness Committee is putting on a workshop on generational volunteerism.
  4. On-Deck Coaching for Worlds: Discussion was when a vendor/sponsor to be used Kyle should be involved in the process. FINIS was approached about being a possible vendor, however Finis gets their clothing from UnderArmour, which is not a USMS sponsor. Finis was talking to other vendors about how to source clothing as a result. Another issue came up that the coaching staff were expecting to receive the names of swimmers entered in the meet, however that most likely will not happen. The Montreal organizers will be using the European system, Splash versus H-Tek. The two pools are 800 meters apart however they are going to have a shuttle. A further issue is that Worlds is a week away from USMS Long Course Nationals. The issue that arose was how/whether we should be promoting Worlds over our own National meet. Chris Colburn mentioned that USMS as an NGB needs to discuss our goals for our athletes who choose to compete as we answer the question of what to promote.
  5. Nadine reported that USMS needs to have a better landing page for our officials to get information. Chris McGiffin is aware of that, and spoke to Ed Saltzman about it.
  6. Susan and Phil sent out a reformatted quarterly report in the interest of getting people more interested in looking at our financials. Nadine had a question related to additional expenses for Swimming Saves Lives.
  7. Nadine asked VPs to send updates to the Board before the 5/19 BOD meeting. Next reports will be the 7/1 report for the Summer BOD meeting and for Convention.
  8. Next call will be on 6/2 at 8:00 PM EDT.
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The meeting was adjourned at 8:55pm EDT.

Respectfully Submitted,

Chris Colburn, Secretary

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