

UNITED STATES MASTERS SWIMMING, INC
MINUTES - HOUSE OF DELEGATES
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The first session of the USMS House of Delegates was brought to order by President Dan Gruender, Friday, September 21, 1990 at 7 PM. The first order of business was the Roll Call by Secretary Mel Goldstein, 143 delegates were present.

President Dan Gruender made some general announcements, then turned the floor to Bill Barthold, Chairman of the Championship Committee. Bill explained the procedure we would use in awarding the bids for the 1992 Championship meets and the criteria used by the Championship Committee in certifying each bid. A 15 minute presentation by each bidder followed, LC first, SC second.

Bidder for the 1992 LC Championships :

KING COUNTY AQUATIC CENTER, FEDERAL WAY, WASHINGTON

The Championship Committee recommended that we accept the bid from King County Aquatic Center. A vote was taken and by unanimous vote the 1992 LC Championship was awarded to King County Aquatic Center, Federal Way, Washington. The meet will be held August 20-23, 1992.

Bidders for the 1992 SC Championship :

INTERNATIONAL HALL OF FAME POOL, FT. LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA.
MISSION BAY AQUATIC TRAINING CENTER, BOCA RATON, FLORIDA.
UNIVERSITY OF NO. CAROLINA, CHAPEL HILL, NO. CAROLINA.

Bill advised that after reviewing each bid, the recommendation of the Championship Committee based on bids submitted that SC be awarded to the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, North Carolina even though the committees vote on SC was not unanimous.

A vote was taken and by majority vote the 1992 SC Championships were awarded to University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, North Carolina. The meet will be held May 14-17, 1992.

The floor was turned back to President Dan Gruender who congratulated all bidders. The meeting was adjourned at 9:17 AM.

Saturday, September 22, 1990

President Dan Gruender called the House of Delegates to order and Mel Goldstein, Secretary called the roll - 145 delegates were present. Dan turned floor to Jack Geoghagen who explained the parliamentary procedures for our House of Delegates meeting.

Dan introduced Sam Freas, President of the International Swimming Hall of Fame, who made comments about future plans and programs for the ISOF. Future plans will include a USMS Masters exhibition as well as a FINA Masters exhibit. Mr. Freas concluded his presentation by thanking USMS masters for their continued support. Dan then introduced the Honorable Secretary of FINA, Ross Wales who presented Dan with the proposed FINA masters rules which will be ratified in Perth, Australia in January.

Dan called for the reading of the Secretary's minutes from the last convention, in Portland Oregon. MSC to waive the reading of the minutes with correction provided by Nancy Ridout. Last years Secretary, Bill Tingley, Coach of the Year, does not coach Louisville Masters as there is no such team but coaches Lakeside Masters Swim Team. MSC to waive the officers reports as all delegates had copies of these reports.

COMMITTEE REPORTS WERE CALLED.

CHAMPIONSHIP COMMITTEE—Chairman Bill Barthold reviewed the committees report. He highlighted the report by pointing out that the smooth running and consistency at our National Championships will be further enhanced by standardizing the entry form on computer disk - to be printed with specific meet information and sent to host for distribution. He further advised that there will be a rotation of "Championship Order of Events". There was a question from the floor regarding clarification of dates for the 1991 National Championships. SC Championships in Nashville will be May 16-19, Thursday thru Sunday, with the distance event on Sunday. The LC Championships in Elizabethtown will be August 15-18, Thursday thru Sunday, with the distance event on Thursday. MSC to accept Championship Committee report. **COACHES COMMITTEE**—Chairman Steve Schofield reviewed his submitted report. Steve discussed the establishment of a National Librarian. The committee wants to make available to all USMS swimmers the increasing number of excellent video tapes, as well as stroke drill manuals, workout manuals and other printed material. The National Librarian appointed by the committee was Dan Wilson. Steve awarded a special thanks to Jayne Bruner who arranged for transportation and the use of the University of Pittsburgh Natatorium for our early morning workouts. This years Coach of the Year award went to Mike Collins, of Davis, California. MSC to accept the Coaches report. **CONVENTION COMMITTEE**—Chairman Bill Tingley reviewed his submitted report. Bill gave special recognition to Lil Haneman, Marie Kreipe and Joanne Tingley for their efforts in putting this years convention together. Bill discussed plans for next years convention in Louisville, September 18-22. MSC to accept the Convention Committees report.

INTERNATIONAL COMMITTEE—Chairman Manuel Sanguily reviewed his committees submitted report. Mani discussed the 3rd FINA/MSI World Championships in Rio; he was disappointed in the participation of USMS swimmers in Rio and urged more participation in future International events. A question from the floor was raised regarding limiting the number of events at International meets. Mani advised that this will be discussed at the FINA World Congress in Perth. MSC to accept the International Committee report, but a request to pull paragraph number seven (7) of the report was recognized. Tom Boak then made the following motion, "USMS authorizes payment of \$1.00 per athlete to MSI provided that these funds are received by USMS from Indianapolis and provided MSI sanctions the competition". A short discussion followed and by voice vote this amendment to the International Committee report was accepted. **MARKETING**

COMMITTEE—Chairman Mary Lee Watson reviewed the committees submitted report. Mary Lee emphasized that any one wanting to advertise in the rule book should do so by the deadline, October 15, 1990. MSC to accept the Marketing Committees report, but a request from the floor to pull paragraph four (4) was recognized. Kathy Casey explained why she pulled paragraph four (4) and moved that "the Rule Book sponsor account should remain a separate line item in the USMS budget". The motion was seconded and by voice vote this amendment to the Marketing Committee report was accepted. **LONG RANGE PLANNING**—Chairman Barr Clayson summarized his committees submitted report. Barr suggested for the year ahead we should consider the following topics: The role of the fitness swimmer, the need for a paid Executive Director, financial needs and well being of USMS, marketing to USS to attract "retiring" swimmers, 19-24 year old age group at Nationals, structure of USMS and its committee responsibilities and are the LMSC's designed properly for our needs. MSC to accept the Long Range Committee report. **THE RECORDS AND**

TABULATIONS COMMITTEE—Chairman Walt Reid outlined his committees submitted report. Walt made special mention that his committee was going to undertake the responsibility of publication and distribution on a subscription basis of the USMS Records and Top 10 as well as the world records. Betsy Durrant will assist with this project. Walt further advised that Craig Tribuzi with June Krauser is in the process of compiling a complete archive of all USMS records and first place finishes for each event in each National Championship. Walt concluded his report by asking that we support each LMSC Top Ten Chairman and submit results to them in a timely fashion. MSC to accept the Records and Tabulations report. **SPORTS MEDICINE AND RESEARCH COMMITTEE**—Chairman Jane Moore reviewed her committees submitted report. Jane advised that her committee will continue to monitor our National Championships to see that all meet hosts comply with our medical regulations. The committee's ongoing and research projects are

constantly being updated. Safety is always a concern of the Medical Committee and she complimented Pacific Masters for their efforts in creating a packet of signs which can be distributed to all meet directors. MSC to accept the Sports Medicine Committee report. **AD HOC FITNESS COMMITTEE**-Chairman Dore Schwab summarized his submitted report. Dore's committees greatest concern was the lack of programs for the fitness swimmer who along with the competitive swimmer is an important part of USMS. More must be done to encourage this swimmer not only from the National level but the LMSC level as well. MSC to accept the Ad Hoc Committee on Fitness report. MSC to recess the House of Delegates for lunch. Meeting recessed at 12:04 PM to reconvene at 1:00 PM.

1:00 PM House of Delegates

President Dan Gruender introduced Dr. Manuel (Mani) Sanguily who presented the "David Yorzyk Award" to the most outstanding Masters swimmer in the 400 IM at SC Nationals. The winner was Gail Roper in the 60-64 age group for her outstanding effort in that event. Dan then introduced Joann Leilich Chairman of the Registration, who made a gift presentation to Enid Uhrich outgoing National Registrar, for her 10 years of dedicated service to USMS. **LEGISLATION COMMITTEE**-Chairman Jerianne Donnelly went through the Legislative proposals. Those items pulled for further discussion were L3, L5, L8a, L10b, L12, L13b, L15a and L20. MSC to accept the Legislation Committees recommendations on all items other than those pulled. L3, MSD to accept the change in the wording. L5, MSC to accept the committees recommendation that the Registration year be January 1 through December 31. L10-b, MSC to accept the committees recommendation regarding the Nominating Committee. L12, MSD to accept the Rule Book Committee as a standing committee. L13b, MSC to accept the committees recommendation to reject. This was pulled in error. L15a, MSC to accept the committees recommendation. This was pulled in error. MSC to reconsider L6 which already had been approved. MSC to amend the wording in L6, changing the word should to shall. MSC to accept L6 as amended. **AD HOC OFFICIALS COMMITTEE**-Chairman Sally Ann Dillon reviewed her submitted report. She stated that the aim of the committee was to have all USMS sanctioned events officiated by competent officials on a uniform basis throughout the country applying all USMS rules. MSC to accept her committees report. **RULES COMMITTEE**-Chairman June Krauser thanked her committee for the work done. June submitted her report in sections. The first section were rules that came out of her committee favorably. MSC to accept with exception of those rules pulled for discussion. The following rules were pulled R5, R8, R11, R17 and R43. R5, 19-24 age group in Nationals. MSC to accept the 19-24 age group in Nationals. Since all rules are

effective January 1, 1991 a motion was made to reconsider R5 for the purpose of amending R5 to allow the present championship meet host Nashville and Elizabethtown the option of allowing this additional age group in their meets. The motion carried. Further discussion on this issue was tabled until the completion of the committee report. R8, Warm down, availability. After a brief discussion R8 was withdrawn. R11, MSC to amend wording shall to should not... R17, MSD to make judging of relay takeoff mandatory. R43, MSC to amend wording to read ...judges shall be USS or YMCA certified or other USMS approved officials. MSC to accept the committee recommendation on R43 as amended. MSC to amend wording on R43, ...or other USMS certified bodies. MSC to accept R43 as amended. The next section were rules unfavorably reported by the committee. June advised that in order to overturn the rules committee recommendation a 2/3 majority was needed. MSC to accept the committees recommendation to reject the rules in this section except for those items pulled for discussion. Rules pulled R2, R6 and R14. MSC to accept R6, which was pulled in error by the Kentucky LMSC Chairman. R2, backstroke start, MSC to accept committee recommendation to reject. R14, Ties, MSC to accept committee recommendation to reject. R24, All American Recognition. MSC to accept the committees recommendation to reject. June then presented R45, 46 and 47 to the floor as being approved by the committee. R45, increase the amount paid by championship meet hosts to USMS from \$1 to \$2. R46, Championship meet host will be responsible for team awards. R47, Entry fee per event will increase from \$3 to \$4. A lengthy discussion ensued. MSC to accept the rule committees recommendation to accept R45, R46 and R47. The tabled R5 was then brought to the floor for further discussion. R5 amendment was withdrawn. MSC to accept R5. Legal Counsel, Jack Geoghagen pointed out 19-24 year olds could swim in 1991 Nationals, provided each of the meet hosts indicated in writing their desire to add this age group so contracts already signed would be amended. MSC to reconsider R29 the establishment of Time Standards for the purpose of offering a friendly amendment. MSC to amend R29 ... till such time that the 19-24 year old age group have swam in three National Championships, time standards will be the slower of 10th place time of the 19-24 year old age group Top 10 or the 10th place finish of the 25-29 age group at the previous 3 years Nationals. MSC to accept R29 as amended. MSC to correct the language in Rule 101.2 (page 16). The backstroke start, ... the feet maybe placed in any position on the wall or on the gutter as long as the swimmer dosen't remove either foot completely from the water.... **LONG DISTANCE**-Chairman Rob Copeland summarized his committees submitted report. Rob highlighted the committees continued work on ongoing projects such as a Long Distance Calendar, A Championship Packet and Cable Swim Guide. Sites for the 1992 Long Distance Championships were selected. MSC to accept the committees report except for long distance rule

changes. Rob reviewed the proposed rule changes. MSC to accept the committees recommendation regarding changes in Long Distance rules as noted in the report, except for those rules pulled for further discussion. LD2 and LD7 pulled. LD2, bring the wording of 201.2.2.b intact and insert before the long distance liability addendum. MSC to accept LD2. LD7, insert a new section 304.5 and renumber the existing 304.5 and 304.6. MSC to amend LD7 304.5 to delete 304.5.5. MSC to accept LD7 as amended.

INSURANCE-Chairman Mike Laux highlighted his committees report. MSC to accept the Insurance Committees report as submitted.

REGISTRATION-Chairman Joann Leilich reviewed her committees submitted report. Joann introduced our new National Registrars Bill and Diane Black. Joann reminded the delegates that the registration year has changed to January 1 to December 31. MSC to accept the committees report as submitted. **AD HOC RULE BOOK**

COMMITTEE-Chairman Kathy Casey summarized her submitted report. Kathy presented the new cover design for the 1991 Rule Book designed by Lloyd Skramstad of San Diego Imperial. Kathy acknowledged her Co-Chairman Gail Dummer for all of her work on this year Rule Book. MSC to accept the committees report. **AD HOC COMPUTER COMMITTEE**-Chairman Leo Letendre presented his

committee report. The aim of the committee was to implement a plan to interface Registration, Top Ten and Championship through computer software. Bids were requested and from those bids G.A. Sullivan of St. Louis was selected as the contractor to implement the committees plan. MSC to accept committees report as submitted.

ZONE COMMITTEE AND NOMINATING COMMITTEE-Chairman Pat Maley highlighted her committees submitted report. Since 1991 is an election year for USMS Executive Officers Pat outlined the nominating procedures for those candidates interested in running for election. MSC to accept the committees report.

NEWSLETTER-Chairmen Nancy Ridout and Suzanne Rague thanked Gail Dummer, Rich Burns, Enid Urich and Gene Donner for their guidance and technical support, with out them their job would have been very difficult. Suzanne and Nancy stressed that the goal of the newsletter was to impart knowledge and useful information to the average or typical swimmer who really wants to learn more about his sport. Suzanne announced that a vote will be taken tomorrow for the new name of the newsletter. MSC to accept the committees report. **AD HOC RANSOM ARTHUR** report was given by President Dan Gruender. He announced the winner of this award, Jack Geoghagen.

HISTORIAN-Chairman Ham and Mildred Anderson presented their annual report on their ongoing project to provide a complete history of USMS from 1970 to 1990. MSC to accept the historians report. Meeting was recessed until 9:00 AM on 9/23.

9/23/90 - House of Delegates

Secretary Mel Goldstein called the Roll of the House of Delegates. **EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**-report was presented by President Dan Gruender. He highlighted his report by extending USMS's appreciation to Dick Smith for filling in as our Controller until we could appoint a new one. Dan introduced our new Controller, Jeff Neufeld. Dan advised that the Executive Committee reviewed the services of our Executive Secretary, Dorothy Donnelly, who continues to do an outstanding job. The committee recommended that we renew her contract for an additional 2 years and increase

her remuneration for services by \$200 a month. This was submitted to the Finance Committee. Dan further advised that USAS will increase convention dues for next year, \$50 to \$75. MSC to accept the Executive Committee report. Dan turned the floor over to Jack Geoghagen, Legal Counsel to clear up some house keeping on L20 which was tabled. MSC to call from the table L20. MSC to suspend 601.2. MSC to accept L20 as amended presented by Legislation Chairman Jerianne Donnelly. MSC to reinstate code 601.2. **FINANCE COMMITTEE**-Chairman Lucy Johnson Trapp reviewed each of the Finance committees submitted exhibits. MSC to accept Exhibit A of the Finance Committees report except those items pulled for further discussion. Line items pulled 5310, 1511, 5610, 5600, 5270, 5760, 5530, 5740, 5980 and 5271. MSC to Table Exhibit B of the Finance Committee Report. 5271 Championship Committee line items. MSC to return \$1250 to Championship Committee line items for the purpose of meet visit by Chairman or his designee. 5270 Championship Patch line item. MSC to approve. 5310 Executive Committee line item. MSC to approve. 5530 Sports Medicine line item. MSC to approve 5530 line item and to move \$250 from 1991 budget to 1990. 5530 Coaches Committee line item. MSC to allocate \$500 of the line item to establish video library. 5610 Computerization. MSC to table 5610. 5740 Liaison Delegate to FINA. MSC to accept. 5760 line item. MSC to accept line item with corrected formula. 5980 Presidential discretionary funds. MSC to accept. 1511 Computer Software line item. MSC to accept. MSC to bring 5610 line item that was tabled earlier to the floor. MSC 5610 to accept this line item. MSC to untable Exhibit B from the table. MSC to accept a friendly amendment to New FOG 28, ... contractor a minimum of 3 competitive bids required before entering into a contract with any independent contractor, except for National Executive Secretary and Comptroller, for personal services to be provided for USMS unless...(also the word than should be stricken). MSC to accept the remainder of Exhibit B. MSC to accept Finance Committee report. **MSI Liaison** Dan Gruender explained the purpose of MSI. **YMCA/USMS Liaison** Mel Goldstein indicated that 700+ swimmers attended the YMCA Masters Nationals

in Milwaukee and it was a well run meet, times were submitted to Walt Reid USMS Top Ten Chairman in a timely fashion. 1991 YMC Nationals will be held at the IU Natatorium, Indianapolis April 26-29, 1991. MSC to accept the amendment of 205.5.16 ... appropriate awards as determined by the Championship Committee will be awarded 1 through 10th place. A vote to determine the name of the USMS newsletter was held and the new name will be "WATERMARKS", the name was submitted by Hugh Winn of Pacific. MSC to adjourn the House of Delegates at 11:35 AM.

Respectfully submitted



Mel Goldstein, Secretary
United States Masters Swimming

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING 9/23/90, 11:43 AM

Mel Goldstein, Secretary called roll of the Board of Directors. MSC to affirm the action of the 1990 House of Delegates. President Dan Gruender thanked all Board members for their work throughout the year. The meeting was adjourned at 11:50 AM.

Respectfully submitted



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