

**USMS HOUSE OF DELEGATES MEETINGS**  
**Houston, Texas**

**FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, 1995**

President Mel Goldstein called the meeting to order at 7:05 P.M. Secretary Suzanne Rague called the roll of certified delegates. 161 of the 173 certified delegates were present.

Nominating Committee Chair Betsy Durrant reported her committee's recommendations for the four Officer positions: President - Mel Goldstein, Vice President - Jim Miller, Secretary - Suzanne Rague, Treasurer - Lucy Johnson. She called for nominations from the floor, and there were none. It was moved to close nominations. Motion seconded and carried (MSC). After each nominee spoke briefly, a motion was made for election by acclamation. MSC.

Championship Committee Chair Sandi Rousseau introduced the bidders for the 1997 Short Course Masters Nationals -- Federal Way, Washington, and 1997 Long Course Nationals -- Orlando, Florida. Each bidder made a presentation. A motion was made to accept both bids by acclamation. MSC.

A motion was made to adjourn at 8:20 P.M. MSC.

**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 23, 1995**

President Mel Goldstein called the meeting to order at 8:45 A.M. Secretary Suzanne Rague called the roll of certified delegates. 165 of the 173 certified delegates were present. Mel Goldstein acknowledged the special contributions of Dan Gruender and Betsy Durrant to USMS. He then called for the reports of the committees. He indicated that committee chairs would not read their reports, which had been distributed to all members, but would only highlight important items and action items. Motions to accept each committee's report as presented were made, seconded, and carried, except as noted.

CHAMPIONSHIP, Sandi Rousseau.

COACHES, Michael Collins. The 1995 Coach of the Year award was presented to Scott Rabalais of Crawfish Masters.

CONVENTION, Michael Heather.

FITNESS, Joe Tesmer.

INSURANCE, Michael Laux.

INTERNATIONAL, Joe Kurtzman.

LONG DISTANCE, Sally Dillon. A motion was made to approve LD-4 as amended:

305.2.1 EVENTS; "C. Open Water (>1 and <=3 miles); D. Open water (>3 and <=6miles); E. Open water (>6 miles)" MSC.

PLANNING, Stephanie Walsh.

RECORDS AND TABULATION, Walt Reid.

REGISTRATION, Barbara Larson.

MARKETING/PUBLICATIONS, Nancy Ridout. The presentation included a fashion show highlighting the USMS clothing line developed with Kast-A-Way.

RULES, Tom Boak. A motion was made to replace everything after the second sentence in 104.4.2 with the following: "Noncompliance with said conditions, as determined by the Meet Evaluation Committee within thirty days of the receipt of the final meet report, shall result in forfeiture of part or all of this amount. An additional amount of up to \$1.00 per entrant may be returned for outstanding performance by the host." MSC. A motion was made to amend Section 105.5 to read: "World Records - Applications and documentation for World Records (25 meter and 50 meter courses only) shall be supplied to the USMS Records and Tabulation Chairman as detailed in Appendix B." MSC.

RULE BOOK, Meg Smath.

SPORTS MEDICINE, George Quigley.

AD HOC SAFETY, Forrest Sullivan.

ZONE, Betsy Durrant.

AD HOC RECOGNITION AND AWARDS, Julie Paque. Dorothy Donnelly presented the 1995 David Yorzyk award to Ray Taft. Nancy Ridout accepted on his behalf.

HISTORIAN, Joan Smith.

MSI LIAISON, Mel Goldstein.

USS LIAISON, Ted Haartz.

YMCA LIAISON, Gene Donner.

AD HOC OFFICIALS, Hugh Moore.

FINA LIAISON/INTERNATIONAL SWIMMING HALL OF FAME, June Krauser. A motion was made to have June Krauser be the USMS liaison to FINA for the next four years. MSC.

SWIM MAGAZINE, Scott Rabalais

CONTROLLER, Roy Abramowitz.

INTERNAL AUDIT, Jeanne Ensign.

LEGISLATION, Jerianne Donnelly. Motions were made and approved to accept the recommendation of the Legislation Committee regarding all proposals except as noted below:

L-8a: A motion was made to amend the last sentence of the proposal as follows: "Times achieved at events sanctioned by USS or CASA, or FINA championships or MSI championships, shall be considered for USMS National Records and Top Ten Times without formal application for recognition." Additionally to amend the first sentence of 202.2.1.A to read, "Application for recognition of events within the jurisdiction of USMS shall be made to the LMSC within whose territorial limits the event is held and applications shall be accompanied by the recognition fee. Amendments carried. Motion to approve as amended. MSC.

A motion was made to add the following sentence at the end of 202.2 and 105.1.1: "It is the responsibility of the swimmer to submit times obtained in a recognized event with complete documentation to the appropriate USMS Top Ten recorder and the Records and Tabulation Chairman." MSC.

L-38: It was moved to amend the proposal by deleting the first sentence and adding the following item to the Glossary, "Fitness Events--events designed to encourage and enhance fitness, exclusive of events covered by Parts 1 and 3." Amendment carried. Motion to adopt as amended. MSC.

L-18: It was moved to disapprove this item. MSC.

L-31: An amendment was made to underscore rather than line out Lawrence and Washington counties. Amendment passes. Motion to adopt as amended. MSC.

L-34: Motions were made to amend the following: 1) 506.2.18 Zone Committee -- for the first sentence to read: "The Zone Committee shall consist of a representative from each zone elected by the delegates from each LMSC within each zone."; 2) 506.2.1 Championship Committee -- to delete the words "a representative of the Sports Medicine, Health, and Safety Committee," from the first sentence; and 3) 506.2 STANDING COMMITTEES - to delete the second sentence. Amendments carried. Motion to adopt as amended. MSC.

A motion was made to add the following sentence at the end of 605.1.5.A "Votes to reject shall not be considered emergency amendments (this action shall take effect immediately)." MSC.

FINANCE, Dave Zander. Motions were made to approve all budget line items as presented except those pulled and amended as itemized below. MSC.  
Line 5272. A motion was made to decrease to \$400. MSC.  
Line 5630. A motion was made to increase to \$1,300. MSC.  
Line 5530. A motion was made to increase to \$3,000. MSC.  
Line 5740. A motion was made to increase to \$2,950. MSC.

A motion was made to approve the formation of an Ad Hoc On-Line Services Committee. MSC.

A motion was made to approve amendment to FOG contained in Exhibit B. MSC.

RULES, Tom Boak. Tom reviewed the changes to Part One of the USS Rulebook which USS adopted at this convention, and which are automatically adopted by USMS unless they are specifically rejected. It was moved that the following USS Rules changes be rejected: R-3, R-5, R-7, R-9, R-12, HR-6, and HR-8. MSC.

President Mel Goldstein adjourned the meeting of the House of Delegates at 5:07 P.M.

*Respectfully submitted,*

*James J. Logan*

*Secretary*