

USMS HOUSE OF DELEGATES MEETINGS
Burlingame, California
September 1997

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 26, 1997

President Mel Goldstein called the meeting to order at 7:35 P.M. He announced that Hugh Moore had been elected as Zone Chairman.

Stephanie Walsh explained the election process for the Officer positions. The nominees are: President - Nancy Ridout and Jim Miller; Vice President - Jack Geoghegan and Sandi Rousseau; Secretary - Betsy Durrant; Treasurer - Jeanne Ensign. There was a call from nominations from the floor. Being none, nominations were closed. The Secretary called the roll for eligible delegates to cast their votes.

Championship Committee Chair Sandi Rousseau introduced the bidders for the 1999 Short Course Nationals: University of Hawaii and Santa Clara, and the 1999 Long Course Nationals : University of Minnesota. Each bidder made a presentation. A vote of the House was taken and the meets were awarded to Santa Clara and the U. of Minnesota.

The results of the election for Officers were announced: President - Nancy Ridout; Vice President - Jack Geoghegan, Secretary - Betsy Durrant, Treasurer - Jeanne Ensign.

A motion was made to adjourn at 9:35 P.M. MSC.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 27, 1997

President Mel Goldstein called the meeting to order at 8:50 A.M. Secretary Suzanne Rague called the roll of certified delegates. A motion was made to accept the minutes of the 1996 House of Delegates meeting. Motion seconded and carried (MSC). Motions to accept each committee's report as presented were made, seconded, and carried except as noted below.

CHAMPIONSHIP, Sandi Rousseau. The meet format for the 1998 LC Nationals at Ft. Lauderdale was discussed. A motion was made to suspend rule 104.5.2B for this meet only. MSC. A motion was made then to approve a revised event order, replacing the 50 freestyle with the 50 breaststroke on Day 3, and replacing the 50 breaststroke with the 50 freestyle on Day 4, for this meet only. MSC.

COACHES, Michael Collins. The Coach of the Year Award was presented to Bonnie Adair.

CONVENTION, Michael Heather.

FITNESS, Joe Tesmer.

INSURANCE, Colleen Driscoll.

Mel Goldstein made a presentation to Paul Windrath to recognize his outstanding work as Meet Director for the 1997 Pan Pacific Championship Meet in Maui.

INTERNATIONAL, Paul Windrath.

LONG DISTANCE, Sally Dillon. A motion was made to accept LD-1. MSC. A motion was made to accept LD-2. Motion not carried. A motion was made to accept LD-3. MSC.

OFFICIALS, Hugh Moore.

MARKETING, Nancy Ridout. There was a presentation which highlighted USMS's sponsors and the benefits which our members derive from the companies which support USMS.

PLANNING, Nancy Miller. Nancy introduced Betsy Durrant, who chaired the Ad Hoc Business Manager Committee. Betsy referred to the many discussions which members of the House have had about this concept. Jack Geoghegan suggested an option discussed by the outgoing and incoming Executive Committees, to fund out-of-pocket expenses for the Past President to continue to pursue vendor contacts as an interim step while the House continues to consider the approach it wants to take with a business manager.

RECORDS AND TABULATION, Walt Reid

REGISTRATION, Babs Larsen. A motion was made to accept donations to the ISHOF and the USMS Foundation through the LMSC registrars and the local membership registration forms. MSC.

RULE BOOK, Meg Smath. Meg announced that the cover design for the 1998 USMS Rulebook was created by Michael Martin of Wildwood Crest, New Jersey. A motion was made to pursue the creation of a Mini Rulebook for publication in 1999. MSC.

RULES. Leo Letendre stood in for Tom Boak. A motion was made to approve R-1 as amended: "101.5 FREESTYLE .1 Start - The forward start or the short course yard backstroke start shall be used." MSC.

SPORTS MEDICINE, HEALTH & SAFETY, Jim Miller. A motion was made that a member of the Sports Medicine Committee be included as an active member of the Foundation Committee. MSC. A motion was made that the complete, uncut articles, including references, which appear in SWIM Magazine appear on the USMS web page. MSC. It was moved that the Committee continue to work with the US Olympic Training Center in Colorado Springs. MSC.

ZONE, Stephanie Walsh. Stephanie announced the new Zone Representatives: Bonnie Adair - Southwest, Lynn Hazelwood - Colonies, Laura Kessler - Breadbasket, June Krauser - Dixie, David Radcliff - Northwest, Richard Smith - Oceana, Skip Thompson - Great Lakes, and Kris Wingenroth - South Central.

LEGISLATION. Bill Earley. Motions were made to approve L-5, L-10, and L-12. MSC. It was clarified that, pursuant to L-5, there will be an election for the position of Zone Chairman in 1998. Motions were made to approve L-3, L-3A, L-4, L-9a, and L-14 as amended in the Legislation report. MSC. Motions were made to approve glossary changes G-3, G-4, G-5, G-6, G-7, G-8, G-9, G-10, G-11, and G-12. MSC.

AD HOC COMPUTERIZATION, Suzanne Rague.

DAVID YORZYK AWARD, Jack Geoghegan announced that the 1997 winner of this award is Betsy Jordan.

AD HOC COMPUTER ON-LINE, Jim Matysek.

LEGAL COUNSEL, Jeanne Crouse.

AD HOC RECOGNITION & AWARDS, Mary Lee Watson. The recipients of Ransome Arthur Award were recognized and presented with pins. Mel also recognized the recipients of the 1997 USMS Service Award: Gene Donner, Barbara Dunbar, Betsy Durant, Darlynn Ferguson, Babs Larsen, Barbara Protzman, Forrest Sullivan, Earl Walter, and Elin Zander.

AD HOC SAFETY EDUCATION, Forrest Sullivan.

FINA LIAISON/ISHOF, June Krauser.
HISTORIAN, Joan Smith.

MSI LIAISON, Mel Goldstein.

USAS LIAISON, Mel Goldstein.

USS LIAISON, Ted Haartz.

YMCA LIAISON, Gene Donner.

SWIM MAGAZINE, Scott Rabalais announced that the Newsletter-of-the-Year Award was presented to Record Times, the newsletter of Davis Aquatic Masters, with Michael Collins accepting the award.

RULES, Leo Letendre. A motion was made to adopt HK-3 and amendments to Articles 101.3.3 and 102.18, as approved by USS. MSC.

CONTROLLER, Roy Abramowitz. Roy said that he was using E-mail to speed reimbursement requests.

INTERNAL AUDIT, Jeff Moxie.

FINANCE, Jeanne Ensign. A suggestion was made to create an ad hoc committee to create financial procedures for USMS-sponsored meets.

The proposed 1998 USMS Budget was discussed. In revenues, account number (A/C #) 4215 was changed to \$500. A motion was made to approve all revenue items, as amended. MSC. The following expense accounts were changed: A/C # 5011 to \$125,000; A/C # 5019 to \$10,000; A/C # 5090 to \$12,000; A/C # 5104 to \$2,500; A/C # 5170 to \$0; and A/C # 3050 to \$100. A motion was made to approve all expense items, as amended. MSC.

Sam Freas from the ISHOF discussed "The World of Aquatics," to include Masters swimming. A motion was made that the Executive Committee should work with ISHOF on this project. MSC.

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting of the House of Delegates at 4:07 P.M. MSC.

Respectfully submitted,


Suzanne Rague, Secretary