

Committee Name:	Records & Tabulation	Session #:	Report #:
Committee Chair:	Chris Stevenson	Vice Chair:	Greg Danner
Minutes recorded by:	Greg Danner	Date/time of meeting:	Sunday, May 27 2012 / 8pm EST

Motions Passed:

- Minutes from previous meeting (4-1-12) approved unanimously.
- Motion to approve 105.1.6A as a rule change proposal. *105.1.6A Record applications and Top 10 submissions shall not be accepted unless certification of course length accompanies them or is on file with USMS, USA Swimming, or FINA.* Motion approved unanimously.
- Motion to approve 105.1.7E as a rule change proposal. *105.1.7E Where a moveable bulkhead is used, for events sanctioned by a Masters National Governing Body other than USMS, the measurement rules and policies of FINA shall be the standard.* Motion approved unanimously.
- Motion to draw up requirements, in principle, to accept times (for Top Ten inclusion) from USA-S meets by USMS members, without bulkhead measurements. The rule book location(s) to be determined. Motion passes by a vote of 8 to 2.

Number of committee members present: 12

Absent: 0

Number of other delegates present: 0

Committee members present (list all, including chair and vice chair): Chris Stevenson (Chair), Greg Danner (Vice Chair), Barbara Dunbar, Donna Hooe, Walt Reid, Emmett Hines, Ginger Pierson, Jeanne Seidler, Mary Beth Windrath, Mary Sweat, Laszlo Eger, Ed Tsuzuki (ex-officio)

Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 8:00pm and Chris performed roll call.

- Motion to approve meeting minutes from 4-1-12. Motion passes unanimously.
- Informational items:
 - Hy-Tek split designation request – status update – An intended meeting with Jim Matysek, Anna Lea Matysek, Chris Stevenson, and Hy-Tek representatives at Short Course Nationals did not take place. Updates to follow.
 - Canadian Short Course Nationals – no measurements were recorded, should the committee still upload results? Attending USMS members were aware the pool needed to be measured for Top Ten inclusion and bear the responsibility. The committee will try to acquire the Meet Manager backup file to quickly identify all USMS competitors from the meet.
- International meet rule proposal:
 - Motion to approve 105.1.6A as a rule change proposal. *105.1.6A Record applications and Top 10 submissions shall not be accepted unless certification of course length accompanies them or is on file with USMS, USA Swimming, or FINA.* Motion approved unanimously.
 - Discussion regarding 105.1.7E as a rule change proposal. *105.1.7E Where a moveable bulkhead is used, for events sanctioned by a Masters National Governing Body other than USMS, the measurement rules and policies of FINA shall be the standard.* Some committee members are concerned about what rules govern other countries and our familiarity with those rules. The committee only controls the requirements for USMS Records and Top Ten, so the general consensus is that what FINA sanctions will be acceptable in this regard. Countries such as Canada will only measure a pool if one of their citizens breaks a national record. A motion is put forth to approve 105.1.7E as written. Motion approved unanimously.
- USA-S meet rule proposal: Discussion regarding a rule change proposal that would intend to accept USA-S approved swims for Top Ten inclusion without the USMS bulkhead measurement requirement. Committee members bring up points in favor and against such a proposal. Favorable arguments include: If USA-S certifies a pool and takes responsibility for pools associated with Sectionals, Grand Prix, etc then this should be acceptable to us. In trying to attract younger members to USMS, this could be beneficial. The pool measurement procedures can be viewed as difficult or prohibitive. Additionally, if we are going to allow times from non-USMS Masters NGB's, USA-S should be acceptable as well. Opposing members point out that bulkheads can be set up in the wrong (short) positions and that has proven to be the case in some instances. Also, if USA-S is unwilling to accept USMS swims, then why should USMS accept USA-S times? Some committee members don't support the concept that we are willing to accept lower standards. A motion is put forth to draw up requirements in principle,

to accept times (for Top Ten inclusion) from USA-S meets by USMS members, without bulkhead measurements. The rule book location(s) to be determined as well. Motion passes by a vote of 8 to 2.

5. Other items: Should we require proof of age for All-American status? Committee discusses concerns that there are discrepancies in registration, including members who change their birth date from one year to the next. If the member is unwilling to verify their birth date, the associated swims shall not be included for TT/All-American status. Generally speaking, Anna Lea tries to track down these types of situations. The committee is unaware of what USA-S requires for these types of situations. Alternatively, should proof of age be required during registration? The amount of time required to verify this for all members, or even just All Americans, could be burdensome. This item is tabled for future discussion.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:17pm
