

Committee Name:	Records & Tabulation	Session #:	Report #:
Committee Chair:	Chris Stevenson	Vice Chair:	Greg Danner
Minutes recorded by:	Greg Danner	Date/time of meeting:	Sunday, Apr 21 2013 / 8:30 pm EST

Motions Passed:

1. Minutes as amended from previous meeting (3-10-13) approved unanimously.

Number of committee members present: 9	Absent: 2	Number of other delegates present: 0
Committee members present: Chris Stevenson (Chair), Greg Danner (Vice Chair), Ginger Pierson, Jeanne Seidler, Mary Beth Windrath, Mary Sweat, Barbara Dunbar, Hans Van Meeteren, Mike Abegg		

Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 8:30pm.

1. Accept March 10th, 2013 minutes

Minutes from the previous meeting (which had been posted on the USMS website) were amended to clarify the options considered for guarding against errors in automatic splits from the 800/1500 LCM free. **MSA to accept the minutes as amended.**

2. Informational items

Chris presented the latest information (also in the committee forum) about the recent falsified age case. All current and historical USMS Top 10 times, USMS Records and All-American listings in the person's name must be vacated. The person has 30 days to appeal, which seems unlikely. If no appeal is submitted, then the committee will have to modify the Top Ten and Records to remove the individual. Chris is not sure if Jim can automate this removal or if it will be a manual procedure.

There is a record progression update. Chris describes how the records are displayed on the website (with the progression shown when the user clicks on the '+' character). One committee member commented that perhaps there should be a statement to "click on the '+' to display previous records" on the page to make this more clear to the user. For relay records both club name and relay members are displayed. But the club names are currently not standardized, with some showing the full team name and others with the team abbreviation.

3. Review/update policy for TT List modification.

The committee considers documenting the procedure for when it is acceptable to modify the TT list after it has been finalized. As a starting point for discussion Chris presented the following policy as a possibility:

1. TT lists can be altered for "trivial" corrections that don't affect times or standings. Examples of these would be correcting names or club affiliation.
2. TT times should always reflect official results; if those are changed for some reason then the TT lists should be changed to reflect those times. Examples: falsified age is discovered, resulting in retroactive DQs for individual and relay swims, and removal of times from TT lists. Another example: touchpad found to be incorrect, back-up times used to correct official time.
3. All-American and All-Star lists should be altered as needed to be consistent with TT lists
4. All TT, AA and AS changes -- trivial or not -- need to be documented somewhere and accessible from the USMS website.

Committee members agree with the final point that should be a publicly available document that notes all cumulative changes. This could be located on the Top Ten page. The format of the document is still to be determined. Chris will pass this suggestion along for review by Jim Matysek.

USMS asks LMSCs to send in all pool measurements, but this is not mandatory and as a result LMSCs do not submit all of their pool measurements. The committee debates if we should require all measurements to be on file with USMS (National office) rather than the existing standard whereby LMSCs retain them.

The proposed policy indicates that TT times will reflect all official results, with pool measurements not being specifically referenced. We may want to change the wording, because there are submitted results that are official, but past the TT deadline. The policy could state that the TT will be "official results in a measurement certified pool that were submitted on time." The topic is tabled so the

committee can work on the wording of the 2nd item of the proposed policy.

4. Measurements statements before/at/after meets.

The current Rule for meet information is that only non-compliant meets need to indicate that there is a measurement related issue (i.e., there must be a statement that times will not be submitted for Top 10 consideration because the pool is short). There seems to be consensus among Committee members ALL meets should include a statement in the meet information regarding the measurement status of the facility. The intent is that swimmers can evaluate whether they want to attend a meet in advance based on the pool measurement status.

Chris mentions a possibility whereby the online meet information (via the calendar/event page) would display the status of each meet's pool measurements based on information provided during the sanctioning process. Before a sanction is issued, the sanction chair should be aware of the state of the pool with regard to pool measurements. There is concern among the committee that there isn't enough information provided during online sanctioning for this to occur. The committee discusses a variety of phrases for the status that a pool is in after it has been sanctioned. It is the recommendation of the committee that the same wording that appears on USMS for events should appear on the meet information. Due to time constraints the issue is tabled until next meeting.

5. Age-adjusted times and ratings.

Tabled for next meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:38pm
