REGISTRATION COMMITTEE

The Registration Committee meeting was convened at 10:40 AM on September 24, 1987. Members present were: Art Mayer (Chair), Nancy Miller, Nancy Ridout, Dorothy Resseguie, Cindy Ayers, and Cynthia Jones.

Art gave a brief history of the bid for the position of National Registrar. Bids were solicited, responses received, and invitations sent out to respondents to come to this convention and speak to this committee. Seven bids resulted. Eileen Schappel and Todd Samland were the only bidders in attendance at the convention; both attended the meeting and were invited to address the committee. The Committee then voted by closed ballot on up to five candidates which it wished to eliminate from further consideration. At the end of the meeting, in closed session, the Committee voted unanimously (6-0) to recommend to the House of Delegates that Enid Uhrich be hired for another two-year term, provided that she meets all specifications of the contractual agreement as well as the policies of the Registration Committee. Such policies would include, but would by no means be limited to, submitting a complete listing, at no charge, of all swimmers to the meet director of each National Championship and adapting fully to the proposed new computer system.

Suggestions were heard on constructive changes to existing forms. The sanctions form is to be updated; it was suggested that the 19-24 disclaimer and the rule of only allowing a swimmer to enter five events per day plus relays should be included on the sanction form. It was also pointed out that the national club registration form should have a place for the four-letter official club designation.

Walt Reid, as head of the National Registration Ad Hoc Committee on Computerization, made a presentation on his committee's findings. A program that will do everything desired does not currently exist; however, the program that comes the closest to what we need is the one used by Pacific (Nancy Ridout), which was written by Michael Boarstein. Michael was at the meeting, and it is his wish to sell this program to USMS; USMS would then work with him in making changes/additions necessary, write a user's manual, and distribute the system. He would, he said, be first-line technical backup; however, he would not be interested in answering day-to-day questions from registrars across the country.

It was reeling among the registrars that a universal program is something that was needed yesterday. Walt will provide the Committee with a dollar figure at our meeting tonight so that the Committee may submit a budget item to the Finance Committee prior to its meeting tomorrow morning. It was moved to table further action on the selection of a particular program, as well as a date when it would become available, until our meeting this evening. At that time, we will have to make a recommendation to the House of Delegates.

There was some discussion about a perennial favorite: changing the date of when new swimmers can be registered, as well as altering the registration year. This item was also tabled until tonight's meeting.

It was felt that Registration needs to have two meeting time slots at next year's convention.

The meeting adjourned at 1:00 PM.

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Respectfully submitted,

Nancy Milder, Recorder

ADDENDUM TO THE MINUTES OF THE REGISTRATION COMMITTEE MEETING

The Committee recommended that any change to the registration year or to the date when new swimmers can begin to be registered should be submitted by the interested party to the Rules Committee next year for proper consideration.

The Committee recommended that a space for the name of each LMSC newsletter editor be added to the form which lists all LMSC officers and which each LMSC must submit annually to the National Registrar. The newsletter editor would thus receive all appropriate mailings from the national level; it was felt that this might assist in better communication with the grass-roots swimmer in each LMSC.

The Committee recommended to the House of Delegates that the computer program for registration written by Michael Boarstein be purchased for a price not to exceed \$5,000. This fee would include the entire package with documentation, rights to all copies made, and support for one year. The program would become available to the National Registrar and to all LMSC's (at no cost to the LMSC's) in September of 1988. If any LMSC would like to have the program before that time, that LMSC may negotiate directly with Michael. The cost would be \$250.00, and the program would be upgraded at no additional cost to the LMSC to include any improvements and/or modifications made between now and September, 1988.

The Championship Committee underlines the Registration Committee's mandate that the National Registrar must supply the meet director of each National Championship with a complete, up-to-date listing of all registered swimmers, their dates of birth, club affiliations, telephone numbers, addresses, and USMS identification numbers at no charge to the meet director. This shall be a duty of the Registrar; as stated in the contract between USMS and the Registrar; there will be no need for a meet director to request such a listing.

Respectfully submitted,

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