

Description and Mission Statement for Committees, Coordinators and Appointments

A. Standing Committees

Committee descriptions and missions statements are included in the USMS Rule Book (Article 507).

B. Coordinators

Coordinator descriptions and mission statements are included in the USMS Rule Book (Article 507).

C. Appointments

1. Descriptions for the following are in the USMS Rule Book (article 507):
 - a. Legal counsel.
2. National Board of Review: The authority of the National Board of Review chair can be found in the USMS Rule Book (Article 403).

D. Special Assignments and Liaisons

1. Enabling legislation can be found in Article 507.
2. FOG (IV.C.2) authorizes payment of the convention registration fee for special assignments and liaisons.
3. Current special assignments and liaisons and descriptions of duties:
 - a. UANA representatives and the FINA representative are subject to a vote by the respective organization. USMS submits names of nominees to USAS. USAS sends the names of nominees to the respective organizations. Membership of a USMS member on the UANA Technical Committee and the FINA Technical Committee is not guaranteed.
 - (1) Union Americana de Natacion (UANA): The UANA representatives represent the Masters interests of USAS on the UANA Masters Technical Committee. They coordinate championship opportunities and serve as consultants on international affairs to USAS on Masters-related topics and to the USMS president and executive director, as they pertain to the Americas and Caribbean nations.
 - (2) FINA Representative: The FINA representative represents the Masters interests of USAS to the FINA Masters Technical Committee. The FINA representative coordinates championship opportunities and serves as a

consultant on international affairs to USAS on Masters-related topics and to the USMS president and executive director.

- b. International Swimming Hall of Fame Liaison: The ISHOF liaison is responsible for informing the Board of Directors of activities of interest to USMS: the ISHOF induction ceremonies, the IMSHOF induction ceremonies any other activity open to the swimming public.
- c. Parliamentarian: The parliamentarian is an expert in rules and procedures and advises the president on matters of procedure. The parliamentarian gives advice; the president makes rulings.
- d. U.S. Aquatic Sports Representative: The USAS representative represents the interests of USMS on the USAS Board of Directors.
- e. USA Swimming Liaison to USMS: The purpose of the USA Swimming liaison to USMS is to share information between the Board of Directors of the two organizations.
- f. USMS Liaison to International Gay and Lesbian Aquatics: The USMS liaison to IGLA facilitates communication between USMS and IGLA primarily by interacting with the governing bodies of both organizations. The IGLA liaison updates USMS on any IGLA activities that may affect USMS. Conversely, the IGLA liaison updates IGLA on any USMS issues affecting IGLA.
- g. USMS Liaison to USA Swimming: The purpose of this position is to provide for ex-officio representation on each organization's Board of Directors to provide insight into policies, protocols, operations, programs, personnel and personalities to promote better and ongoing relations between the two organizations. The USMS liaison must be a member of USA Swimming and attends the meetings of the USA Swimming Board of Directors and reports actions and items of interest directly to the USMS president. The USMS liaison reads and decides which publications, memos, documents, emails, letters and other communications from USA Swimming may be of a mutual interest to USMS and forwards these items to the USMS president for his/her information and/or action.
- h. Swimming Saves Lives Foundation Board Chair