Motions Passed:

1. MSA to approve the minutes of the June 6, 2014 Executive Committee conference call.
2. MSA to remove the final paragraph under Dual Sanctioned Events in Appendix B on page 145 of the Rule Book.

Number of committee members present: 9  Absent: 1

Committee members present (list all, including chair and vice chair): Nadine Day - President called the meeting to order at 8:01 PM EDT. Also present were: Ed Tsuzuki - VP of Administration; Chris McGiffin - VP of Programs; Chris Stevenson - VP of Local Operations; Chris Colburn – Secretary; Phil Dodson – Treasurer; Jeff Moxie - Past President; Patty Miller - Legal Counsel; Rob Butcher – Executive Director.

Not present: Jody Smith -VP of Community Services.
Audience Members: none

Minutes
The meeting was called to order at 8:01 PM EDT.

1. Nadine asked EC members to complete the Executive Director review to Ed Coates if they haven’t already. It was due Friday, and Nadine and Ed Coates sent reminders to the Board.

2. **MSA to approve the minutes of the June 6, 2014 Executive Committee conference call.**

3. Nadine emailed all committee chairs with respect to committee change requests. Nadine asked the VPs to encourage their chairs to submit their change requests to Nadine via email.

4. Convention: We will not have pre-convention calls ahead of time this year, but we will start working on them for next year. The Executive Committee discussed details for the upcoming USAS convention, including audiovisual needs, plans for the New Delegate lunch, and order of presentations in the HOD schedule.

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6. Kathy Casey requested that the EC amend the Dual Sanctioned Events section of Appendix B of the USMS Rule Book by deleting the final paragraph. That paragraph says that members of USMS and USA Swimming must use separate warm-up and warm-down lanes throughout a dual sanctioned meet. However, there is not an agreement with USA Swimming that requires this type of lane separation. Nadine and Rob Butcher will be meeting with representatives from USA Swimming during Convention to discuss dual sanctioned events, but that does not prevent removal of the stringent language about separate lanes. Ed moved to **remove the final paragraph under Dual Sanctioned Events in Appendix B on page 145 of the Rule Book.** Chris McGiffin seconded. Patty clarified the motion. **Motion carried unopposed.** Nadine said that the intent was to have an in-person discussion with USA Swimming at Convention. Rob further clarified the intention to work with USA Swimming to both organizations’ benefits. Rob also volunteered to organize the discussion.

7. The 4+12 month memberships have gone online. On 9/1 there were 230 memberships in one day. Over 800 memberships have been sold so far. Rob mentioned that the rollout has been successful. Most people registering...
after September 1 are registering for both 2014 and 2015 as well. Rob gave kudos to the Board and the EC for providing the direction to proceed with this option.

8. Nadine asked the VPs to ensure all chairs’ meeting minutes are updated before Convention.

9. Nadine announced that any reports that should be provided to the Board should be submitted by this Friday. Any VP Report or Officer’s update should also be sent to the Board by Friday.

10. Ed brought up the topic of National Championship event scheduling and cited examples of conflicting dates of pool and open water national championships in recent years and with the upcoming Open Water Festival in 2016. The question is whether we should do something about these conflicts, or what the impact of the conflicts would be. The other question was what the National Office presence would be at each of the events if they took place on the same days in different areas of the country. The EC discussed possibilities for enhanced coordination between the Championship and Long Distance Committees for the upcoming 2016 date conflict as well as for the long term. Ed asked if he and Chris McGiffin can talk to Jeff Roddin and Donn Livoni together to approach the best plan to avoid the conflict, and how to approach the conversation at Convention. Ed discussed the windows of time within which the different committees have to plan their events. Ed also suggested that there be Open Water and pool advocates on each other’s committees to help cross-pollinate the process of eliminating conflicts in the long run.

11. Chris McGiffin has an updated IT Report to present to the Board. He will do so this weekend in advance of Convention.

12. Next meeting will be at Convention. Next call will be on October 6 at 8:00 PM EDT.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:08 PM EDT.

Respectfully Submitted,

Chris Colburn, Secretary