

SESSION # 1

Report to be given on: Sat ___ Sun X (check one)

Committee Chair: Elin Zander

Recorder: Meg Smath

Action Items

Approved L-1, L-3.
Approved as amended L-15, L-20, L-22.
Disapproved L-17.

Attendance

Number of committee members present: 13 Number of committee members absent: 4

Total number of delegates attending the meeting: 37

Minutes

I. Nancy Ridout introduced Ross Wales, who wrote our original incorporation papers. He attended to answer any questions regarding Ohio State legal requirements for our organization and the legislation amendment proposals which address those requirements.

II. Review of voting procedures

Elin Zander announced that according to the agenda she had drawn up, the committee would discuss L-1, L-2, L-3, L-14, L-15, L-17, L-20, and L-22 at this session. Only committee members are allowed to vote.

III. L-1

Meg Smath, chair of the Rule Book Committee, said that both committees were in favor of this amendment. MSP

IV. L-2

Bill Earley proposed that in the third sentence the words “Zone Committee” be replaced with “affected zone representatives.” Rick Meier-Windes seconded the motion. The amendment failed. Moved and seconded to approve L-2. Motion failed. L-2 disapproved.

V. L-3

Elin explained that this is a housekeeping change, to italicize the words “USMS Code of Regulations and Rules of Competition,” in order to make clear that this is the official title of the rule book. MSP.

VI. L-14

Tabled until other relevant amendments are considered.

VII. L-15

Tabled while Carl House combined wording from L-17 with L-15. Removed from table. Carl offered the following new wording: “The History and Archives Committee shall record, collect, and preserve documents, stories, photos, exhibits, oral histories, and other memorabilia in an appropriate repository in durable formats to ensure that the achievements of USMS and Masters swimmers will be maintained for posterity. The archived information shall be made available.” Amended language MSP. L-15 approved as amended.

VIII. L-17

Moved and seconded to approve. Motion defeated.

IX. L-20

Paul Fortoul spoke to this amendment to say it was proposed because he could find nothing in our rule book that stated that world records could be set only at sanctioned meets. Bill Earley proposed the following amended language: "Times achieved at sanctioned events are considered for USMS national records and Top Ten times, and world records. Seconded, passed. Upon prompting from the Rule Book Committee chair, Bill proposed the following new language: "Times achieved at sanctioned events are considered for USMS national records, USMS Top Ten times, and FINA world records." Seconded passed. L-20 approved as amended.

X. L-22

MS. Betsy Owens asked if the Nominating Committee had a process in place to expediently qualify nominees from the floor. Tom Boak clarified that they do have a procedure to do that. Rob Copeland moved to amend to read "Maintain to develop" and change "running" to "the conduct of". Passed. Jennifer Parks asked whether "national office" should be clarified. This language was found to be consistent with other parts of the code. Steve Peterson suggested the word "qualify" be changed to "certify". Failed. L-22 was approved as amended.

Recessed for lunch @ 12:00