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Committee Name: **Championship Committee**

Session # 1 Cmte. report #:

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Minutes recorded by: Lisa Watson

Date/time of this meeting: 9/11/03 10:15 AM

ACTION ITEMS PROPOSED EXPENDITURES

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2. The Championship Committee voted to reduce the Nationals information pages by taking out some information not essential for entering the meet and including it instead in either a promotional article produced by SWIM magazine or in the meet packet. MSA
3. The Championship Committee voted to approve the submitted logo for 2004 LC Nationals in Savannah. MSA
4. The Championship Committee voted to approve the submitted logo for 2004 SC Nationals in Indianapolis, with some possible revisions. MSA
5. The Championship Committee voted to approve the request from Mel Goldstein to not have shuttle service provided at Indianapolis in 2004. MSA
6. The Championship Committee voted against the request from Mel Goldstein to have additional categories for team awards at Indianapolis in 2004. MS, motion failed.
7. The Championship Committee voted against Emergency Rule Proposal R2, which would add SCM as a National Championship. MS, motion failed.

Committee Chair: Barry Fasbender

Vice Chair: Jerry Clark

Number of committee members present: 15 Absent: 6 Number of other delegates at this meeting: 53
Committee members present: Carolyn Boak, Debbie Cavanaugh, Jerry Clark, Barry Fasbender, Mark Gill, Gorden Gillin, Mel Goldstein, Errol Graham, Jim Matysek (Ex-officio), Jane Moore (Ex officio), Michael Moore, Barbara Protzman, Jeff Roddin, Sandi Rousseau, Tom Spence, Diane Stowell, Lisa Watson

MINUTES

The meeting was called to order at: 10:15 AM on Thursday, September 11, 2003.

1. The committees have been discussing the current telephone requirements at National Championship meets. With the increasing availability of cell phones and increasing expense of installing pay phones, it seems that pay phones are no longer essential. **The Championship Committee voted to eliminate the telephone requirement for National Championships. MSA**
2. During the past year, the Championship Committee has been approached by SWIM magazine, represented by Bill Volckening, to find ways to modify the current Nationals information & entry pages in SWIM magazine to allow for SWIM to include additional promotional articles on the meet in these issues. A subcommittee was formed to look further at this issue, and reported its findings at this meeting. This subcommittee, consisting of Carolyn Boak, Sandi Rousseau, and Lisa Watson, found that some items could be deleted from the information pages and included instead either on the additional promotional page or in the meet packet. **The Championship Committee voted to reduce the Nationals information pages by taking out some information not essential for entering the meet and including it instead in either a promotional article produced by SWIM magazine or in the meet packet. MSA**
3. Meet Director Scott Rabalais submitted a proposed logo to the committee to be used at 2004 LC Nationals in Savannah. **The Championship Committee voted to approve the submitted logo for 2004 LC Nationals in Savannah. MSA**

4. Meet Director Mel Goldstein submitted a proposed logo to the committee to be used at 2004 SC Nationals in Indianapolis. **The Championship Committee voted to approve the submitted logo for 2004 SC Nationals in Indianapolis, with some possible revisions. MSA**
5. Meet Director Mel Goldstein approached the committee about shuttle service at 2004 SC Nationals in Indianapolis. Mel stated that due to the fact that most hotels were within easy walking distance of the pool and that traffic problems made the shuttle routes unduly long, he was requesting that he be allowed to forego shuttle service at this meet. **The Championship Committee voted to approve the request from Mel Goldstein not to have shuttle service provided at Indianapolis in 2004. MSA**
6. Meet Director Mel Goldstein asked the committee to allow him to provide additional categories for team awards at 2003 SC Nationals in Indianapolis: local USMS teams and state or LMSC teams would be divided into separate groups. The committee felt that it should look further into possible modifications for team awards at Nationals. It was suggested that data be gathered from the 2003 Indianapolis meet to help with this decision. **The Championship Committee voted against Mel Goldstein's request to have additional team awards at 2003 SC Nationals in Indianapolis. MS, motion failed.**
7. The committee discussed the Emergency Rules Proposal R2, which would add a SCM National Championship. The committee felt that this idea had merit, but was not an emergency issue and should wait to be presented next year. Mark Gill proposed the idea of having a distributed SCM Nationals, which would allow for 4 large regional SCM meets to be recognized as SCM Nationals, and have their results pooled for final results. There was much discussion on this issue. **The Championship Committee voted against Emergency Rules Proposal R2, which would add SCM as a National Championship. MS, motion failed.**
8. USA official Dottie Daniels addressed the committee and made several comments and suggestions, including improved check-in procedures and the importance of the general meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at: 12:15 PM

TASKS FOR THE UPCOMING YEAR

1. The Championship Committee will continue to look at possible modifications to check-in procedures at Nationals.
2. The Championship Committee will continue to work with USA officials on means of perfecting procedures at National Championship meets.