

2026 U.S. Masters Swimming – History & Archives Committee

Committee Name:	History & Archives	Session #:	
Committee Chair:	C.J. Rushman	Vice Chair:	n/a
Minutes recorded by:	C.J. Rushman	Date/time of meeting:	April 14 th , 2026 @ 8 pm EDT

Motions Passed:

1. MSA – minutes from conference call on March 10th, 2026.

Number of committee members present - 5	Absent - 4	Number of other delegates present: 0
Committee members present (list all, including chair and vice chair): Maryanne Barkley (Ozark), Kysa Crusco (New England), Sharon Snyder (Metropolitan), Crystie McGrail (Colorado) and C.J. Rushman (Ohio)		
Committee Members Absent: Daniel Pauling (Florida), Stacey Eicks (Gulf), Hugh Moore (Potomac Valley), & Tim Sinnenberg (Adirondack)		

Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 8:10 pm EDT. CJ Rushman thanked everyone for attending the meeting.

The USMS History and Archives Committee meeting focused on one main topic: creating requirements for an Olympian list.

The sub-committee provided these comments and summary for the History and Archive committee to review.

Maryanne: Currently, any Olympian in any sport for any length of time in membership has been listed, make a requirement to have been on their country or delegation's Olympic Swimming or affiliated (such as USAS) Aquatic Sports team. A requirement related to longevity as a member of USMS, whether Club or Unattached, that they joined and stayed a member for a specified time. A requirement regarding Olympians' contributions to the mission of USMS, such as ongoing support of events, coaching, clinics.

Tim: How about we get more detail on the Olympians who actually competed in swimming? If on the list, I believe they should have competed in a meet through USMS. We could have another list of other Olympians from other sports, but not get into detail about them, if we include them at all.

Sharon: 1. current or former member of USMS., 2. meets/clinics/motivational speaking/open water., and 3. short bio and contributions to USMS, USA swimming and the community. (Maybe tie into the organizational goals or mission statement.)

Stacey: To get familiar with the current state I familiarized myself with The History and Archives Committee Policies. (reviewing the Olympian List on the website). As for future requirements, I do like the idea of differentiating aquatics (swimming, water polo, synchro, diving) Olympians from other sport Olympians. In addition, I'm in favor of a tiered recognition system. The criteria for tiering could be any number of things others have suggested: USMS member, Club or Unattached, for # of years, # of swimming competition achievements, coaching certification level, committee participation, and other USMS recognitions/ contributions/ awards whether as a member of a USMS Q: Does the current list of Olympians have individuals that do not align with the current policy, and if so, does that mean there will need to be a clean-up of the existing list?

Once we get the full committee together, we'll go review these comments and discuss we can finalize and publish a working document.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:55 pm EST. The next call will be Tuesday May 12th @ 8 pm EDT.
