USMS Convention—Dearborn, Michigan 2006

Committee Name: Championship Session #: 1 Report #: 15

Minutes recorded by: Lisa Watson Date/time of meeting: 9/14 10:30 AM

Proposed Expenditures

1. None.

Action Items

- 1. MSA to increase the meet surcharge for the 2007 SC Nationals in Federal Way by \$5.
- 2. MSA to approve the logo and medal design for the Federal Way meet.
- 3. MSA to raise the NQTs for 2007 SC Nationals in Federal Way to Top 10 + 15% for 50 and 100 yard events.
- 4. MSA to approve the logo and medal design for 2007 LC Nationals in Woodlands, Texas.
- 5. MSA to form a subcommittee to look into the possibility of establishing a Championship policy that the meet bidders include their proposed surcharge and per event fees in their bid proposal with a rationale included to support these figures.
- 6. MSA to support the rule proposal for 104.5.10C, which would require a minimum of two buttons and one watch per lane, while maintaining a Championship policy to require two watches and two buttons.

Committee Chair: Mark Moore Vice Chair(s): Jeff Roddin

Number of committee members present: 20 Absent: 4 Number of other delegates present: 35

Committee members present (list all, including chair and vice chair): Mark Moore, Lisa Watson, Sandi Rousseau, Mel Goldstein, Barb Protzman, Debbie Cavanaugh, Steve Newman, Diane Stowell, Michael Moore, Jerry Clark, Leianne Crittenden, Jim Matysek, Erroll Graham, Jane Moore, CJ Rushman, Barry Fasbender, Heather Hagadorn, Jeff Roddin, Elizabeth Johnson, Mark Gill

Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 10:30 AM.

- 1. Chairman Mark Moore called the meeting to order and summarized the year in review.
- Representatives from Federal Way and Woodlands presented their proposed logos and awards for the 2007 SC and LC Championships. Jane Moore presented the proposed logo and awards for Federal Way. She also addressed the concern that with a potentially low turnout, their meet might lose money, since they are paying such an enormous pool rental fee. She stated that at 1300 swimmers, they would only break even. This brought up discussion on ways to possibly increase attendance and revenue for Federal Way. Carolyn Boak made a motion to raise the meet surcharge for this meet by \$5. The motion was seconded by Sandi Rousseau. MSA to increase the meet surcharge for the 2007 SC Nationals in Federal Way by \$5. In addition, Carolyn moved to approve the logo and awards for Federal Way. Sandi seconded the motion. MSA to approve the logo and medal design for the Federal Way meet. There was further discussion on ways to increase attendance at Federal Way, such as relaxing the current NOTs, Barry Fasbender made a motion to raise NOTs for the 2007 Federal Way meet to Top 10 % 15% for only the 50s and 100s. Michael Moore seconded the motion. MSA to raise the NQTs for 2007 SC Nationals in Federal Way to Top 10 + 15% for 50 and 100 yard events. Tom Boak then presented the proposed logo and awards for 2007 LC Nationals in Woodlands, Texas. MSA to approve the logo and medal design for 2007 LC Nationals in Woodlands, Texas. Jim Matysek proposed that the Championship Committee establish a policy of requiring the meet bidders to include a proposed meet surcharge and per event fee in their bid with a rationale to support their proposal. After some debate, this proposal was tabled. Carolyn Boak made a motion that we form a subcommittee to look into the feasibility of making this a committee policy. Mel Goldstein seconded the motion. MSA to form a subcommittee to look into the possibility of establishing a Championship policy that meet bidders included their proposed surcharge and per event fees in their bid proposal with a rationale included to support these figures.

- 3. Julie Heather addressed the Championship Committee regarding the policy manual that will hopefully be submitted at next year's convention. Julie asked this committee to decide what policies we have to submit. Mark stated that we will form a subcommittee to look into this.
- 4. Next item on the agenda were the rules proposals that affect National Championships. Charlie Cockrell, Vice Chair of the Rules Committee, addressed this committee and asked for our opinion on rule proposal 104.5.10C, which would require two buttons and one watch per lane as opposed to two watches and one button. The rationale for this rule is that it would give flexibility in the event of a national meet that uses multiple courses and has difficulty in getting the adequate number of timers. Carolyn made a motion that our committee support this rule proposal, with a stipulation that our Championship policy is two watches and two buttons. Debbie Cavanaugh seconded this motion. MSA to support the rule proposal for 104.5.10C, which would require a minimum of two buttons and one watch per lane, while maintaining a Championship policy to require two watches and two buttons.
- 5. Since there were still more agenda items to be discussed, it was decided that our committee will meet after the Championship bids Friday afternoon.
- 6. jerry Clark received a fabulous award for guessing the right amount of online entries for the 2006 SC Nationals in Coral Springs, which was 76%.

The meeting was adjourned at 12 PM.

Tasks for the Upcoming Year

- 1. A subcommittee will be formed to investigate the feasibility of making a Championship policy for having meet bidders submit a proposed meet surcharge and per event fee with their bid.
- 2. A subcommittee will be formed to decide what policies we have to submit to the USMS Policy Manual.