USMS Convention—Dearborn, Michigan 2006

Committee Name: Championship Session #: 2 Report #: 15

Minutes recorded by: Lisa Watson Date/time of meeting: 9/15 3:45 PM

Proposed Expenditures

1. None.

Action Items

- 1. MSA to follow USA guidelines regarding any rule proposal about swimmers wearing watches during competition.
- 2. MSA to approve the following NQT standards for 2007 LC Nationals in Woodlands: 5th place of Top 10 + 13% for all events 400 meters or longer; 5th place + 15% for all 200 meter events; 5th place + 17% for all 50 and 100 meter events. Age groups 85+ will not have NQTs.
- 3. MSA to certify and approve the Austin bid for 2008 SC Nationals as presented.
- 4. MSA to certify both Mount Hood and Mission Viejo bids for 2008 LC Nationals.
- 5. MSA to recommend both Mount Hood and Mission Viejo bids as acceptable to the House of Delegates.

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

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

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, Errol Graham, Jane Moore, CJ Rushman, Barry Fasbender, Heather Hagadorn, Jeff Roddin, Elizabeth Johnson, Mark Gill, Kim Crouch

Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 3:45 PM.

- 1. Chairman Mark Moore called the meeting to order, stating that the purpose of this meeting was to finish up agenda items from Thursday's meeting, and then continue with the Championship bid presentations.
- There was discussion regarding a pending rules proposal regarding swimmers wearing watches during competition. Carolyn Boak made a motion that our committee follow whatever guidelines USA sets up. Sandi Rousseau seconded the motion.
 MSA to follow USA guidelines regarding any rule proposal about swimmers wearing watches during competition.
- 3. The next agenda item focused on split requests at Nationals, and ways to make this situation less burdensome for officials. Walt Reid addressed the committee and suggested that we have a representative contact HyTek to see if they can make this an automatic process, so that only backstroke events and backstroke relay lead-off splits would require a split request. Jeff Roddin volunteered to contact HyTek about this situation. If feasible, he will also check to see if this can be implemented at 2007 SC Nationals in Federal Way.
- 4. Officials Certification was the next agenda item. It appears that recertification of officials is becoming a more complicated process, requiring the officials to have an observer during this process, with a potential risk of losing officials. Sandi Rousseau will check with the Officials Committee about this situation.
- 5. NQTs for 2007 LC Nationals were discussed. Jeff Rodding presented his proposal to the committee. Lisa Watson made a motion to accept this proposal and Barry Fasbender seconded the motion. MSA to approve the following NQT standards for 2007 LC Nationals in Woodlands: 5th place of Top 10 + 13% for all events 400 meters or longer; 5th place + 15% for all 200 meter events; 5th place + 17% for all 50 and 100 meter events. Age groups 85+ will not have NQTs. The standards are based on the average of the last three years of Top 10 standings.
- 6. Proposed National meet schedules were presented to this committee. Debbie Cavanaugh, Sandi Rousseau, and Lisa Watson have been working on a subcommittee to come up with various schedules to present to the House of Delegates. There are six proposed schedules. The Championship Committee decided to have the House of Delegates circle their top three choices and then tabulate the results. There was also discussion regarding another possible meet schedule that would have relays all on

- one day. After further review, it was decided that the committee was not ready to propose this particular schedule to the House of Delegates. CJ Rushman volunteered to work on the schedule and bring a possible meet schedule proposal to the Championship Committee meeting on Saturday morning.
- 7. 2008 Championship Bid presentations were presented to this committee and the House of Delegates. There are three bids: Austin, Texas, for SC; Mount Hood, Oregon, for LC, Mission Viejo, California, for LC. Charles Logan presented the bid for Austin. Proposed dates are April 24–27, although there was some discussion about a possible change in dates if this conflicts with FINA World Games in Perth, Australia. Lisa Watson moved to certify and approve the Austin bid as presented. Diane Stowell seconded the motion. MSA to certify and approve the Austin bid for 2008 SC Nationals as presented. Next were the LC bids. Brandon Drawz, Mount Hood Assistant Athletic Director, presented the bid for Mount Hood, Oregon. Proposed dates are August 14-17. Mark Moore and Bill Rose, Mission Viejo Masters and Head coaches, respectively, presented the bid for Mission Viejo. This bid is for a five-day meet, with proposed dates of August 13-17. After the bids were presented to the House of Delegates, the Championship Committee discussed these bids. It was felt that both were excellent bid presentations and acceptable venues. Carolyn Boak recommended that this committee recommend both venues to the House of Delegates as certifiable, and give the HOD a list of differences between the two sites and possible pros and cons of each. MSA to certify both Mount Hood and Mission Viejo bids for 2008 LC Nationals. MSA to recommend both Mount Hood and Mission Viejo bids as acceptable to the House of Delegates. Jeff Roddin will compile a list of bid comparisons to present to this committee at our Saturday morning meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:33 PM.

Tasks for the Upcoming Year

- 1. Jeff Roddin will contact Tom Taylor of HyTek to see if they can make split requests an automatic part of the timing system at Nationals. Hopefully, this might be put into place for 2007 SC Nationals in Federal Way next May.
- 2. Sandi Rousseau will be checking with the Officials Committee about the officials recertification process.