## **USMS Convention — Kansas City, Missouri 2015**

Committee Name: Governance Session #: 1

Committee Chair: Leianne Crittenden Vice Chair: Jim Wheeler

Minutes recorded by: Leianne Crittenden Date/time of meeting: Saturday 10/3/2015 7-8:00am

## **Actions Requiring Approval by the HOD:**

None

## **Motions Passed:**

1. None

Number of committee members present: 6 Absent: 3 Number of other delegates present: 12

Committee members present (list all, including chair and vice chair): Leianne Crittenden, Jim Wheeler, Hugh Moore, Patty Miller, Sean Fitzgerald, Nadine Day (ex officio)

Committee Members Absent: Anthony Thompson, Rob Butcher (ex officio), Carl Bromer

## **Minutes**

The meeting was called to order at 7:04 am.

- 1. <u>Policy Manual</u>. The Policy Manual Subcommittee's (Carl and Hugh) recommendations were approved by the BOD and they have worked with National Office staff to include individual sections of those policies posted on the USMS Website. The last thing to post would be the complete Policy Manual (right now it is posted in sections).
- 2. <u>USMS Organization Structure: Discussion of Convention Meetings.</u> Suggestions were made on potential changes to committee meetings at Convention; since much of the work is done throughout the year, delegates suggested that an overview of each Committee should be done at the outset of HOD by each Committee Chair, and then the Committee meetings at Convention should focus on what that Committee plans to accomplish in the next year. Suggestions were also made by delegates on how to improve communications on issues that will be discussed at Convention as well as how to present those issues more easily to delegates in the Convention packets (whether through sections of Streamlines, forums or automatic notices for specific postings of Committee meetings). Suggestions were also made by delegates that the Governance Committee review the Committee alignments with Vice Presidents, and assure that education presentations at Convention run unopposed so that all of them can be attended.

The meeting was adjourned at. 7:55 am