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**Actions Requiring Approval by the HOD:**

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**Minutes**

The meeting was called to order at 9:30 a.m.

1. MSA to reconsider L-2. The committee discussed changing the 30 day deadline to 35 days to coincide with Nationals deadlines. Peter Guadagni felt that 30 days was a more logical deadline, and wondered if changing to 35 days would be a problem for registrars. Several registrars in the room said it would make no difference. Patrick Weiss asked for clarification that a swimmer could enter a national championship unattached and then change affiliation to the new club at the meet or shortly before the meet. MSA to change “30” to “35.” The committee then discussed whether to recommend or not recommend the amended proposal. Jane Moore suggested we not recommend and work over the next year on a better proposal that would incorporate some of the suggestions made at the forum during yesterday’s House of Delegates meeting. Steve Peterson suggested we recommend L-2 in order to try it out for a year and see how it works. MSF to recommend.

2. L-11. In view of a letter received yesterday asking that we reconsider the proposal, Richard asked for a motion to reconsider. None was forthcoming.

3. L-12. We had amended the original proposal to change “Registration Committee” to “Membership Committee” and “registrars” to “membership coordinators,” but realized we were assuming L-1 would pass and were therefore jumping the gun. Therefore MSA to reconsider L-2. MSA to remove our amendments to the proposal. MSA to recommend. (This means this proposal is now in the Recommended category rather than Recommended as Amended. Also, if L-1 passes, then changing “Registration Committee” to “Membership Committee” and “registrars” to “membership coordinators” would be housekeeping.)

4. L-13. MSA to reconsider. MSA to replace “The Rules Committee, Records and Tabulation Committee, Championship Committee, and the Executive Committee or committee designated by the president shall periodically review and update the sections of Appendix B (or other appendices) that are within their jurisdiction” with “The Rules Committee, Legislation Committee, or committee designated by the president, in consultation with committees that have related areas of responsibility, shall review and update the sections of Appendix B (or other appendices) that provide information related to their areas of jurisdiction as defined in articles 601.1.1 and 601.1.4.” MSA to recommend as amended.

5. Richard reminded the committee that on Saturday the HOD will have a chance to amend these proposals. He asked for volunteers to automatically move to approve and second each proposal we discuss. Kris and Stephanie volunteered.

6. Richard presented the Legislation Committee’s policy manual, which Brian and Meg worked on throughout the year. The goal was to update the policies to conform with our actual current practice and to make the manual more concise. After some minor wording changes, MSA the updates to the policy manual.

7. Richard thanked the committee for their work throughout the year.
Tasks for the Upcoming Year

1. Brian told the committee that he and Richard had been discussing setting a deadline of August 1, after which any submissions would have to be considered emergency amendments. Leo Letendre suggested a floating deadline might be better than a hard deadline. The committee will work on this during the next year.

1. The meeting was adjourned at 10:28 a.m.