

## 2020 Meeting Minutes

<b>Committee Name:</b>	<b>Legislation Committee</b>	<b>Session #:</b>	6		
<b>Committee Chair:</b>	Richard Garza	<b>Vice Chair:</b>	Patrick Weiss		
<b>Minutes recorded by:</b>	<b>Kris Wingenroth</b>	<b>Date/time of meeting:</b>	6/28/2020 8 pm eastern		

### Agenda

**Agenda for the next call.** *We'll go as far as we can in one hour.*

DI 1 - Charles from Rules put together a report to assist with the proposal from Diversity and Inclusion.

BOD 5 (This one has history. Legislation tried amending it a year or two ago. HOD didn't understand the need for a change and it was defeated. We were asked to speak with tax accountants, and it seems the BOD did)

IL 2 (Might be a hot topic, it's about past presidents)

IL 1 (add's another kind of membership)

Kris 4

Kris 6

Kris 8

Kris 9

Kris 10

Kris 12

Brian 2 (workout group proposal)

BOD 2 (Tabled, and needs to be reconsidered)

NE 1, 2, & 3 (Transferring club affiliation)

House Keeping

Part 2 Re-organization

BOD1 reconsideration

<b>Number of committee members present: 15</b>	<b>Absent: 3</b>	<b>Number of other delegates present:</b>
<b>Committee members present (list all, including chair and vice-chair):</b> Richard Garza, Chairman, Patrick Weiss, Vice Chair, Brian Albright, Joan Campbell, Diana LaMar, Stephanie Gauzens, Laura Groselle, Bruce Hopson, Kristof Kertes, John King, Jane Moore, Steve Peterson, Douglas Sayles, Meg Smath, Kris Wingenroth		
ExOfficio: Charlies Cockrell (Rules Committee), Maria Elias		

### Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 8:03 Eastern time.

1. The minutes from the previous meeting were approved. (unanimous)
2. Discussion of DI #1. Charles Cockrell, Chairman of the Rules Committee, spoke to the Committee about updating 501.3 so that USMS remains welcoming to all members. He also wished to add a definition to the glossary for the term "gender identity". MSA to amend the proposal by adding a glossary entry: "**Gender Identity** - an individual's concept of self, which may be male, female, a blend of both, or neither." MSA to recommend DI #1 as amended. (14 - 1)
3. Discussion of BOD #5. MSA to recommend BOD #5. (unanimously)
4. Discussion of IL #2. Maria Elias pointed out that BOD members do consult past presidents when necessary. Members of the Legislation Committee expressed opinions on both sides. MSA to recommend IL #2. (14 - 1)
5. Discussion IL #1. Legislation Committee members were unsure why this was necessary and were concerned about creating a new category of membership. It was felt that if there were a need for this, the BOD should be the group asking for it. MS and defeated (not recommended). (unanimously)

6. Discussion of Kris #4. Charlie Cockrell supported this proposal but asked that it be Tabled until he could determine if it would create any conflicts with current rules in Part 1. MSA to Table Kris #4.
7. Discussion of Kris #6. After discussion of whether this rule should read “should” or “shall” it was MSA to amend the proposal to read “shall”. It was also decided to update the language to recognize that “heat sheets” and “meet programs” are the same thing. MSA to amend to read “...after the name in the meet program”. The final proposal reads: “A swimmer’s valid affiliation and age shall be displayed after the name in the meet program.” MSA to recommend Kris #6 to the HOD.

(NOTE: the Rationale of this proposal should be updated.)

8. The next Zoom meetings will be: July 12, July 19 and if necessary July 26. 8 pm Eastern.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:06 pm Eastern time.

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## **Motions Passed:**

### **DI #1 Moved, Seconded and Approved to Recommend to the HOD**

501.3 Equal Opportunity Membership in USMS shall not be denied by virtue of race, creed, gender, **gender identity**, religion, political affiliation, disability, sexual orientation, or national origin.

Add to Glossary: **Gender Identity - an individual’s concept of self, which may be male, female, a blend of both or neither.**

### **BOD #5 Moved, Seconded and Approved to Recommend to the HOD**

Delete all of 202.1.1 E, 202.2.1 D, and 203.3.2 F

### **IL #2 Moved, Seconded and Approved to Recommend to the HOD**

506.1.2 The nonvoting members of the Board of Directors shall consist of the chief executive officer, legal counsel, **all past presidents not already voting members**, and a representative of each allied organization (as approved by the Board of Directors), **and a representative from USA Swimming.**

### **IL #2 Not recommended to the HOD**

**Kris #4 Tabled**

### **Kris #6 Moved, Seconded and Approved to the HOD**

202.1.1 G (6) A swimmer’s valid affiliation and age **must shall** be displayed after the name **on the heat sheet or** in the **meet** program.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:06 pm Eastern Time

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