

USMS

Ad Hoc Official's Committee

September 20, 1991

Present: Sally Dillon, Chair; Dan Wilson; Edna Spring; Dick Monahan; Jan Kavadas; Pat Diehl; Adrienne Pipes; Clarice Rossi; Rick Windes; George Mc Vey; Larry Rice;

1. The Committee reviewed the results of the survey of LMSC Officials Chairs. This survey was not returned by over 20 LMSC Chairs.

2. The Committee reviewed the results of the wallet cards. 8000 were distributed to USS and YMCA officials. Positive response.

Three members of the committee attended the USS Officials Committee meeting. Sally Dillon reported on what we were trying to do to increase information about USMS in USS especially among officials. There are 10,000 locally certified USS officials. USS officials indicated support for USMS. The USS insurance staff person clarified that USS and USMS are identified as named insured on each other's policies. Thus, USS certified officials are covered by insurance at USMS meets contrary to some USS officials opinions. It is not presently possible for USMS registered athletes to be certified as USS without payment of USS non-athlete membership fees because of USS rules.

The Committee felt that LMSC should consider paying USS fees (\$20-\$30) for USMS athletes who wish USS certification.

3. The Committee reviewed possible recognition of "other officiating bodies." While the majority of LMSC's are in areas where USS officials are available; in Adirondack, Colorado, and perhaps other areas, high schools, college, contract with an association for training and dispatch of officials. There are, in addition, a number of other swim leagues (summer, for example) who provide extensive officials training.

Dan Wilson presented a draft list of criteria for approving "other" officiating bodies. A motion to establish a committee to review and recommend criteria was withdrawn and the committee was appointed by the chair: Dan Wilson will call the committee to order; Clarice Rossi, Dick Monahan, Pat Diehl are members. A draft will be prepared by January 1992 with a final available by SC nationals.

4. USS test questions for USMS rules. Questions would be limited to the Appendix section of the USS rule book which identifies USMS differences. The chair of USS Officials committee has indicated an interest in including such questions. A sub-committee of Gail Dummer, Dave Brown, and Judy Gillies will prepare suggested questions.

5. Handicapped/Adaptive rules were seen to include some ambiguous comments regarding no special considerations or requiring adherence to rules for functional parts. Gail Dummer indicated this section was the same for USS and was being

reviewed by the Rule Book Committee. The proposed draft will recommend that athletes enter only those events in which they expect to compete successfully. Handicapped athletes face the same problems of older swimmers where officials want to go "easy on old folks." A draft will be sent to the Ad Hoc Officials Committee this Fall for a quick response.

6. The article on "Officiating Concerns at Master's Swim Meets" has been resubmitted to the newsletter editors who indicate it will be included in the next newsletter.

7. The Committee stated that they have no role in resolving officiating problems at meets which is the role of the Championship Committee. However, the committee strongly recommends that the Championship Committee insure that officials receive a briefing before every meet session.

8. A Pilot Certification draft bid proposal was reviewed. This would encourage LMSC's to bid to develop a program for certifying USMS officials with a \$500 grant from USMS for one year. Proposals would be due 9-1-92 for review at the 1992 convention. The draft was approved with the substitution of "conduct" for institutionalize.

9. The Committee determined that time does not permit an officials clinic conducted at a national meet for officials from many LMSC's and/or LSC's. LMSC's are encouraged to run clinics locally and/or at local meets.

10. The LMSC Registration form will be revised to include the name of the Officials Chair. This should encourage appointment of a chair person and identify the person to contact on behalf of the Ad Hoc Officials Committee.

11. The list of duties for the LMSC Officials Chair (included in a January 5, 1991, memo to LMSC Chairs) was still appropriate and will be sent to LMSC Chairs and Officials Chairs where known.

12. The Chair will assign committee members to zones to be a resource for LMSC's to contact with regard to questions on officials/officiating.

13. The Committee statement provided in the Guide to Committees is appropriate as it stands.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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